

GRENDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Tuesday, 14th November 2023 at 7.45pm
in Grendon Community Centre

Present: M White
C Rich-Bate
H Horton
M Hammersley
B Ainsworth

Also Present: A Wright
B Davy
PC Redmond
One Member of the Public
R Young – Clerk to the Council

Prior to the start of the Meeting, the Pegasus Group gave a presentation regarding Atherstone HS2 Proposal.

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from A Hands.

2) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- No questions were raised.
- PC Redmond (Warwickshire Police) mentioned the following:-
 - Worked in Warwickshire eleven years.
 - Recruiting new part-time PCSO.
 - Report of gun shots on Green Lane – No information.
 - Break-in Costa Coffee.
 - Drink driver fined £600.00 and disqualified for 23 months.
 - Drug dealing in area.

3) DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- No Declarations made.

4) MINUTES

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th October 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th October 2023 as a true and correct record.

5) **MATTERS ARISING**

a) **WCC - Signage**

- C Rich-Bate agreed to email Graham Stanley at WCC Highways regarding the Signage.

b) **Hodgetts Estates and Planning Enforcement**

Ryan Lee-Wilkes (NWBC) sent an update as follows:-

Highways have confirmed that they are still engaged with Highways consultants acting on behalf of the site with Pre-Application matters – this is still ongoing.

Given this, it is likely the agents will need more time for the application submission. I have emailed them for an update. However, we are going to have a crossover of leave. The agent is off this week, then I am off next week.

I hope to provide a further update on my return from leave.

c) **Bus Shelter – Green Lane**

- Ongoing with Solicitors.

d) **Banana Moon Nursery**

The Clerk to report the following to Margaret Bell at NWBC:-

- Children play out in all weathers.
- No supervision.
- Children outside of front of Nursery on grass next to road.

e) **Provision of Play Equipment**

- Transferred to Private and Confidential.

f) **Sparrowdale Close**

- A Wright to progress enquiry with WCC Highways.

g) **Defibrillator**

- M Hammersley had tried to contact First Responders.
- The Clerk to order replacement pads.

6) **PLANNING**

a) **Planning Applications Received**

- i) PAP/2023/0483
99 Boot Hill, Grendon
New three bedroom detached dwelling

- ii) PAP/2023/0492
106 Watling Street, Grendon
Variation of Condition No. 3 of planning permission PAP/2023/0425 dated 31st October 2023.
- iii) PAP/2023/0419
Solar Farm, Grendon House Farm, Warton Lane, Grendon
Variation of Condition No. 3 time period of PAP/2014/0483 dated 14th November 2023 related to development of solar photovoltaic panels site.

7) CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Police Report for the period 10/10/2023 – 10/11/2023

Theme		Commentary
Current and Emerging		X54 calls to service. Most were calls regarding RTC's x 11 RTC, Road Traffic Collisions.
	Silent Concern	X5 – pocket dials. X5 – mental health of family members / off road motorbikes / forced entry for an elderly resident.
	Theft Other	X2 – both motorbikes from Birch Coppice Industrial Estate. CCTV requested by OIC.
	Road	X7 – drunk male in the road / floods / tree down, Council assisted.
	Damage	X1 – vehicle.
	Violence	X1 – dog walkers, diary car appointment. X2 – gun shots heard / car left in flood.
	Sexual Offence	X1 – historic event reported at local school.
	Other	X19 – police related incidents such as domestics / sudden death, etc.
	Suspicious Circumstance	X2 – gun shots heard / car left in flood.
Summary		<p>We have seen an increase of tool thefts on the northern area. SNT are conducting house to house and checking CCTV. Victims are visited, reassured and issued crime prevention items, such as shed alarms and van packs. SNT patrols continue when duties allow.</p> <p>Please make sure vehicles are left secured and check your sheds/garages are locked up.</p>

Theme	Commentary
	If you have tools, please make an inventory / take photos with serial numbers and mark them up with name / postcode.

- NWBC – Electoral Review Advisory Committee – 9th November 2023.
- NWBC – Safer Communities Sub-Committee – 20th November 2023.
- Bradley Ainsworth – Photograph of litter – Agreed litter problem greatly improved.
- NWBC – Susan Wilson – Consultation – 15th November 2023.
- NWBC – Planning and Development Board – 6th November 2023.
- NWBC – Barnacles Farm, Grendon Road, Grendon – Confirmation of address.
- Thank You card from Mrs Betty Ball for Hamper presented on her 100th Birthday.

8) **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Unity Trust Bank.

It was proposed (M White), seconded (H Horton) and agreed to open a Bank Account with Unity Trust Bank.

Resolved: To open a Bank Account with Unity Trust Bank.

- Donations to local groups – The Clerk to check amounts donated last year.
- Presentation to Parishioner who has collected litter in the Parish for some time to be recognised by the Parish Council.
- Change of location for existing Dog Waste Bin in Parish agreed.
- Hedge along Service Road on A5. It was proposed (C Rich-Bate), seconded (H Horton) that the hedge should be cut back and trimmed.

Resolved: To cut back and trim the Hedge adjacent to Service Road on A5.

- Website Photographs – C Rich-Bate to send Thank You card to Holly.
- Update – Sophie Lynes (WCC) to form a Flood Group.

9) **FINANCE**

a) **Cheque Payments**

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to issue the following cheque payments:-

Date	Details	£
14/11/2023	L George	420.00
14/11/2023	M G Healey	266.00
14/11/2023	Remembrance Wreath	80.00
14/11/2023	HMRC (PAYE)	176.00
14/11/2023	Parish Clerk	264.00
14/11/2023	Khoo Seller Ltd	1,200.00
14/11/2023	Wel Medical	79.08
	Total:	2,485.08

Resolved: To issue the above cheques.

PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

10) Exclusion of the Press and Public

The Chairman, M White, asked the Press and Public to leave the meeting.

11) Bank Balance

The Clerk confirmed the current bank balance.

12) Play Equipment Cost

➤ Komplan had quoted the following:-

- We Hopper, Mini - £8,000 - £8,500 + VAT
- Trekking Trail - £15,000 - £16,000 + VAT

Councillors reviewed as to whether proposed items were value for the amount of money. Clerk to enquire with NWBC regarding alternative of providing two benches.

The meeting closed at 8.42pm.

**M White
Chairman**