

GRENDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Tuesday, 10th October 2023 at 7.30pm
in Grendon Community Centre

Present: M White
H Horton
A Hands
M Hammersley
B Ainsworth

Also Present: A Wright
B Davy
R Young – Clerk to the Council

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from C Rich-Bate.

2) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Member of the public enquired regarding Notification of Meetings.

It was proposed (H Horton), seconded (A Hands) and agreed the Agenda should be displayed seven days prior to the Meeting and all questions from the Public to be submitted to the Clerk in writing or email three days prior to the Meeting.

Resolved: To approve the above Proposal.

3) DECLARATION OF INTEREST

A Hands declared an interest in all matters relating to Grendon Community Centre and Banana Moon Nursery.

4) MINUTES

It was proposed (A Hands), seconded (M Hammersley) and agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 12th September 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 12th September 2023 as a true and correct record.

5) MATTERS ARISING

a) WCC - Signage

➤ Contact with WCC Highways ongoing.

M White
Chairman

b) Hodgetts Estates and Planning Enforcement

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

To keep you informed, WSP have requested additional time to allow for the submission of applications. At this time, I have agreed until the end of October 2023 which is flexible, depending on the requirements of the submissions.

As per my email below, WSP have only recently been involved in this matter, although they do work closely with the landowner. They have confirmed to me today that they are pulling together the evidence for the lawful development submission and seeking further details as to whether the submission of a retrospective application for some of the site will be feasible. To that end, Highway surveyors have also been employed and are likely to be carrying out some surveys in the coming weeks in that area.

Furthermore, the County Highways department have also advised (26th September 2023) that a third party on behalf of the site have been in contact with them for further highway advice.

I'm pleased at this point that this is evidence that they have taken my concerns seriously and that actions are starting to happen to try and move forward in some way.

Again, I appreciate that this has been a longstanding matter, and I thank the PC for their continued patience.

I will keep you informed of further developments as and when they happen.

c) Bus Shelter – Green Lane

➤ This matter was ongoing with Solicitors.

d) Banana Moon Nursery

➤ Chris John at Warwickshire Property and Development Group Limited replied: “the site in question has been due a rent review so I have been dealing with this before I attend site so I can tie it all together. For this reason, I haven't managed to attend site yet”.

The Clerk was advised to contact Margaret Bell at NWBC.

e) Provision of Play Equipment

➤ Site meeting arranged with Representative from KOMPAN. M White and B Ainsworth to attend (18th October 2023).

f) Sparrowdale Close

A Wright to check with WCC regarding completion of footpath section.

6) **PLANNING**

a) **Planning Applications Received**

- i) PAP/2023/0395
2 Riddings Wood, Watling Street, Grendon
Application to fell dead Oak Tree protected by Tree Preservation Order.

- ii) PAP/2023/0425
106 Watling Street, Grendon
Single storey front extension, first floor side extension, two storey rear and single storey rear extension.

- iii) PAP/2023/-
9 Green Lane, Grendon
Five bedroom dwelling.

7) **CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- NWBC – Full Council Meeting – 27th September 2023.
- Central Speed Reporting System.
- NWBC – Susan Wilson – Consultation.

Drop-in session regarding the following:-

- Sustainability Scoping Report.
 - Statement of Community Involvement.
 - Gypsy and Traveller Development Plan.
 - Call for Sites.
 - Dates: 7th November 2023 – 11.00am – 1.00pm – Teams Meeting
9th November 2023 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm – Committee Room
15th November 2023 – 10.00am – 12.00pm – Committee Room
- NWBC – Community and Environment Board – 16th October 2023.
 - Pegasus Group – H2 Proposal – Request for Meeting.
 - Police Report for the period 03/9/2023 – 03/10/2023

Theme		Commentary
Current and Emerging		X25 calls to service.
	ASB	X1 SNT attended a dispute over boundaries, hedge maintenance, both parties advised that this is a civil matter.
	CRIME	X1 – Vehicle driving on a pavement whilst occupied by young families. X2 Burglary residential – Attempted burglary at the rear of the property, locks tampered with but property not entered. Side gate left open. SOCO called and advised home owner. Forced entry of a vacant property, entered at the rear. Believed to be drug-related.
	THEFT	Theft from local shops on Boot Hill. Vehicle involved checked by ANPR.
	Suspicious Circumstance	X3 in total. Farm gates left open, fence panels taken and wild animals: Fox and badgers found dead. Believe this was linked to poachers. The Rural Crime Team attended and are dealing with this crime.
	OTHER	Domestics Road related incidents Silent 999 calls, this is still high due to new phone design.
Summary		PC Redman has been busy building a case file on a known vehicle thief in the village and is awaiting a charging decision from the CPS. Due to several calls relating to youths causing issues, several families were visited with parents and children advised on their behaviour. This was helped by information passed by Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, living on the estate just off Spon Lane.

Theme	Commentary
	Patrols have continued in the area, with the local SNT trying to build a friendly relationship with the new residents of Grendon.

- Hamper Donation to Local Centenarian – Parishioner sent thanks for gift.

8) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Defibrillator Checks – Need to appoint contact who could monitor Defibrillator and be the link with authorities. H Horton confirmed new pads required.
- Councillors reviewed the Parking issues raised concerning Maypole Lane including yellow no parking lines and Parking Fines.
- Confirmation House off Grendon Road (B5000) to be called Barnacles Farm.

9) FINANCE

a) Cheque Payments

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

Date	Details	£
10/10/2023	Hampel – Parishioner 100 years of age	100.00
10/10/2023	Khoo Seller	16.80
10/10/2023	Parish Clerk	264.00
10/10/2023	HMRC – PAYE	176.00
10/10/2023	Ground Maintenance	420.00
10/10/2023	Ground Maintenance	120.00
10/10/2023	Bus Shelter Cleaning	50.00
10/10/2023	Grendon Community Centre (Rent)	198.00
	Total:	1,344.80

Resolved: To issue the above cheques.

M White
Chairman

PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

10) Exclusion of the Press and Public

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

11) Play Equipment Cost

The Clerk reported a Track Ride Tower supplied by Kompan would cost £11,705.64 plus Value Added Tax. Costing includes installation of Single Layer Grass Matt.

The meeting closed at 8.48pm.

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Chairman**

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