

GRENDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Tuesday, 12th September 2023 at 7.30pm
in Grendon Community Centre

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

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

1) CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

It was proposed (H Horton), seconded (M Hammersley) and agreed that Bradley Ainsworth be co-opted as a Parish Councillor for Grendon.

Resolved: That Bradley Ainsworth be co-opted as a Parish Councillor for Grendon.

Bradley Ainsworth completed and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

2) APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from C Rich-Bate and B Davy.

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 (H Horton), seconded (A Hands) and agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 8th August 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 8th August 2023 as a true and correct record.

5) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

➤ No matters were raised.

6) MATTERS ARISING

a) WCC - Signage

➤ C Rich-Bate waiting for reply from Graham Stanley at WCC.

M White
Chairman

b) Hodgetts Estates and Planning Enforcement

Ryan Lee-Wilkes (NWBC) confirmed the following:-

“Just to keep you informed as advised I would, the owners of the site have contacted me to confirm, as expected, that they have employed WSP and International Planning Environmental Consultancy to review and respond to my letter. I will keep you informed”.

c) Bus Shelter – Green Lane

➤ Ongoing.

d) Banana Moon Nursery

➤ Ongoing matter with WPDG Property Services.

e) Provision of Play Equipment

➤ Following meeting on site with Deborah Sharp, Project Officer (NWBC), the following was proposed:-

- Cableway not viable option.
- Need agreed Budget amount.
- Alternatives to be considered such as Track Ride Tower and Activity Section.

Clerk to enquire regarding prices and delivery period.

f) Sparrowdale Close

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

7) PLANNING

a) Planning Decision

- i) PAP/2023/0264
Thompsons Meadow, Spon Lane, Grendon
Removal of existing polytunnel and erection of replacement electoral store.
Permission Granted

8) CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Natwest – Commitment to Customers.
- NWBC – Resources Board – 5th September 2023.
- NWBC – Standards Committee – 6th September 2023.
- NWBC – Local Development Framework Sub-Committee – 11th September 2023.
- NWBC – Executive Board – 18th September 2023.
- NWBC – Planning and Development Board – 4th September 2023.
- The Pensions Regulator.
- Polie Report – 6th August 2023 – 11th September 2023.

Theme		Commentary
Current and Emerging		X30 calls to service. Most are of a neighbour dispute nature and not of a Community impact.
	ASB	X1 call of a child throwing a stone at a car causing damage. This matter is still under Police investigation. Isolated incident. X1 – report of an abandoned vehicle left on Watling Street. SNT attend. Not stolen or illegal. Left in situ. Causing no obstruction.
	CRIME	X1 Burglary residential – Member of the public reported an attempted burglary on Watling Street. SNT attended and noted no report from any alleged victim. Suspected was part of an altercation between two parties. No effects to the wider community. No burglary.
	Suspicious Circumstance	X1 – call of two dead foxes in the road near Dordon Hall Lane. Caller worried this might be poaching. Rural crime team attended with no clear signs of criminality. No other calls of this nature.
Summary		<p>We have seen an increase of burglary, theft of motor vehicle and theft from motor vehicle across the patch in recent months. This is predominantly in the Polesworth and Birchmoor area, most of which are from vehicles left insecure by the owner. We are working with Neighbourhood Watch to get some crime prevention advice plus SNT are conducting house to house to identify offenders. I can't see any theft of motor vehicle or theft from motor vehicle in the Grendon area in this last month. SNT do patrol the area each day they are on duty where duties allow.</p> <p>Recently we conducted a warrant on a known vehicle thief in the village and we recovered a stole motorcycle. We are awaiting a charging decision from the CPS.</p>

9) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- It was proposed (H Horton), seconded (M White) to give a Hamper to a Parishioner who had reached the age of 100 years.

Resolved: To give a food hamper to a Parishioner who had reached the age of 100 years.

M White
Chairman

10) **FINANCE**

a) **Cheque Payments**

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

Date	Details	£
12/09/2023	HMRC (PAYE)	176.00
12/09/2023	Room Hire	240.00
12/09/2023	Parish Clerk	264.00
12/09/2023	Ground Maintenance	420.00
12/09/2023	Ground Maintenance	185.00
12/09/2023	Bus Shelter Cleaning	100.00
12/09/2023	Parish Clerk's Expenses	46.20
	Total:	1,431.20

Resolved: To issue the above cheques.

b) **Bank Balance**

The Clerk confirmed the current Bank Account balance.

The meeting closed at 8.24pm.

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Chairman

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