

Whatton in the Vale Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday May 14, 2019, at the Jubilee Hall, Whatton in the Vale at 7.30pm

Coun. Gregg Redford(Chairman)
Georgia Elms Chris Grocock Vicky Dawson (A)
Jane Morris Julia Faulconbridge

Also present the clerk Mike Elliott and three residents.

Before the start of the meeting members signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office forms. The meeting agreed to extend the time for the signing of the form for Coun. Vicki Dawson to the date of the next meeting.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN Coun. Gregg Redford was elected and signed his acceptance form. He gave thanks to Coun. Grocock who had been chairman since January 2017.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, Coun. Vicky Dawson (unwell)

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON APRIL 9, 2019 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.

4. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN Coun. Georgia Elms was elected.

5 OPEN SESSION FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES
The question of organising a flag flying team was discussed and it was agreed arrangements be made for this.

6. CLERK'S REPORT

As indicated in the annual finance report to the parish meeting, the council had now received their two years payment from Notts County Council for grass cutting, amounting to over £4000 which the council had paid out on behalf of the main authority. The parish council had sent several requests for the payment but succeeded in the end in receiving the cash.

The work on the stone memorial plaque has been carried out.

7. REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER
There were no reports.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from VIA-Notts County Council in regard to public paths on arable land in which they asked parish councils to report to them any instances of blockages caused by overgrowth of grass etc.

Details were received from VE Day 75 advising of events planned in May 2020 to mark the 75th anniversary of the ending of WW2. The clerk was to circulate details of the suggested events and it was agreed to give support to the exercise.

Rushcliffe Borough Council tree wardens. A new date for an event at Rushcliffe Country Park at Ruddington is being arranged on June. 22 and Coun. Mrs Faulconbridge would attend if she was available.

Terry Boardman, wrote in regard flag flying arrangements and it was agreed to accept the offers by Mrs G Sykes and Rob Tyler to undertake the task on a joint basis. The chairman handed out a sheet giving details of when special days occurred or flag flying. It was agreed the Union Jack should fly at all times. The clerk was asked to purchase a canvas Union Jack flag and a polystyrene St George's Flag

9. PLAYING FIELD INCLUDING APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES AND PLAYING FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

Coun. Redford and Grocock were appointed as the parish council representatives.

Appointees to the Management Committee. it was explained that as members of the Management Committee, they were not representatives of the Parish Council -- it being explained by Coun. the chairman as it is unlawful for a Local Council to attempt to influence a Charitable Trust -- but must act in the best interest of the Trust, irrespective of their personal or other affiliations.

The Parish Council declined to appoint members to the Joint Trustee Committee, preferring to consider Trustee Issues as the full Council at each meeting.

10. PLANNING MATTERS

19/00968 Mr and Mrs S Baskill, land south of Chapel Walk, erect new dwelling . No objection.

19/00964/FUL - 3, Beverleys Avenue. Demolition of garage and replacement with proposed two storey and single storey side extension including the erection of a canopy. Support

11. FOOTPATHS

The question of the formation of a Friends of Queen's Wood was raised by the chairman. It was reported some work had been carried out on parish paths. A new officer had been appointed by Notts County Council following the promotion of Jane Baines.

Coun. Faulconbridge would confer with the residents living in the bungalow adjacent to the sports field on the question of the fencing between the field and their property.

The question of the area for grass cutting by Ulyetts was to be checked. The chairman would provide the clerk with a map. The question involved the area of land adjacent to the home of Coun. Elms.

12. FINANCE

- ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list.
TO AUTHORISE THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (AUDIT AND ACCOUNT REGULATIONS 2015). The council unanimously approved the Statement to be signed by the chairman...

- TO AUTHORISE AND APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR 2018/19. The council considered the accounts presented by the clerk and which had been signed off by the Internal Auditor and approved them.

- APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR. Mr David Dixon was re-appointed.

13. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN There was nothing to report.

14. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING JUNE 25, 2019

Items to be raised were the village green fencing and gate, newsletter, power supply to the Green, a permanent Christmas tree, a village fete,

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-05pm.