

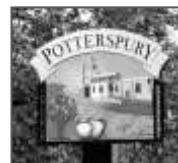
Potterspurty Parish Council

Chairman of the Council: Dr Steve Parkin

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MINUTES of the meeting of Potterspurty Parish Council held on Wednesday 9 October 2024 at 7:30pm in Potterspurty Village Hall.

Councillors present: Dr S Parkin (Chair), Mrs J Millidge, Mr I Garbutt, Mr R Capps, Mr G Lucas, Mrs J Blunden, Mr G Skelton, Mr S Dring, Mrs C Nagle, Mr N Neubersch, Mr S Norris.

Parish Clerk: Mrs J Spence.

Apologies: Cllr Silvester.

Also present: WNC Ward Councillors - Cllr Barter and Cllr McCord.

Mr C Coppin, NHW Coordinator and Police Liaison Rep sent his apologies.

6592	APOLOGIES: <i>It was resolved to approve the apologies for absence from Cllr Silvester</i>	
6593	MINUTES: <i>It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 September 2024, which were duly signed by the Chair.</i>	
6594	MATTERS ARISING: Correction of 11 September 2024 Minute 6588(iv) – it was noted that after the PC meeting it was discovered that the address 91 High Street does not exist. A letter was sent to the correct address 75 High Street on 24/09/2024.	
6595	DECLARATION OF INTEREST UNDER COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT: Cllr Norris, in his role as Treasurer of The Old Mail, declared an interest in the grant to The Old Mail – Minute 6603(ix).	
6596	MINUTES ACTION REPORT: Noted.	
6597	PAYMENTS & BANK RECONCILIATION: Cllr Capps checked invoices and payments lists prior to approval and bank reconciliation documents.	
6598	PUBLIC FORUM: No members of the public attended the meeting.	
6599	NHW COORDINATOR & POLICE LIAISON REP: Mr Coppin submitted email report. Crime figures: July SN 152 (Potterspurty 9), August SN 141 (Potterspurty 6). Local crime: Assault in Furtho Lane approximately 4:00pm on 18/09/24; attempted break-in to van on High Street; nuisance motor bikes still an issue – being monitored. Scam emails and texts continue. Ensure thorough checks when purchasing trailers or equipment to ensure not stolen. Be vigilant after a spate of unlicensed door sellers, often offering household cleaning products for sale from suitcases or rucksacks – do not purchase or hand over cash on doorstep.	
6600	WNC WARD COUNCILLORS: (i) Cllr William Barter: New Government keen on devolved combined authorities and WNC were asked to express an interest. Options – Bucks & Oxon but Bucks have pulled out, or alternatively, MK, Luton & Bedford which is of interest. (ii) Cllr Ian McCord: Concerns on the above MK, Luton & Bedford option, include planning, money predicated on housing growth, majority voting. Car, which left road over year ago near Cosgrove, may require road closure when salvaged. Market Square Opening. Roads in YG and Potterspurty added to the winter precautionary gritting routes. Residents of Moorend Hamlet attended the last YGPC meeting to request a lower speed limit on the road from the Super Sausage to the water tower – currently 60mph. Cllr McCord asked if Potterspurty PC will support such a request.	
6601	PLANNING: (i) Planning Applications: (a) 2024/3818/PA Determination as to whether prior approval is required (under Class Q of Part 3 of the <i>above</i> Order) (<i>Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) Standard Consultation (Amended Plans/Information)</i>) for the change of use of part of an agricultural building (incorporating a single storey rear extension) to 1 No. dwelling house(s) (Use Class	

	<p>C3). Agricultural Building, Furtho Lane. (Deadline 16/10/24). (Re-Consultation). Objections to previous applications submitted by PC and will be taken into account with this latest proposal.</p> <p>(b) 2024/0642/MAF (Amended Plans/Information) Hybrid Planning Application seeking full planning permission for the erection of 20 no. affordable homes as an entry level exception site with upgrading of Furtho Lane, new access, parking, landscaping and all enabling works, and outline planning permission (all matters reserved) for 3 self-build homes. (Amended Plans). Land East of Drovers Way. (Deadline 11/10/24). Objections to previous application submitted by PC and will be taken into account with this latest proposal. Not a great deal of difference to original application. It was resolved to submit a further objection to Planning.</p> <p>(c) 2024/4265/FULL Demolition of existing side lean to structure and erection of two storey side extension. Grafton House, 11 Church End. It was resolved to submit a response of no comment to Planning.</p> <p>(d) 2024/4266/LBC Listed building consent for demolition of existing side lean to structure and erection of two storey side extension. Grafton House, 11 Church End. It was resolved to submit a response no comment to Planning.</p> <p>(ii) Planning Decisions: None.</p> <p>(iii) Other Planning Matters: 23/07/24 APPEAL APP/W2845/W/24/3345571 WNC Ref: 2023/5711/PIP – Land Poundfield Road Permission in Principle for development of 8-9 custom/self-build dwellings. No further information to date.</p>	<p>JS RC SP</p>
<p>6602</p> <p>(i)</p> <p>(a)</p> <p>(b)</p> <p>(c)</p> <p>(d)</p> <p>(ii)</p> <p>(a)</p> <p>(b)</p> <p>(c)</p> <p>(iii)</p> <p>(iv)</p> <p>(v)</p>	<p>PLAY AREAS:</p> <p>Inspection Reports: September-October:</p> <p>Meadow View: Cllr Silvester submitted email report.</p> <p>Mays Way, Blackwell End, Village Hall: Cllr Capps submitted verbal report. Mays Way – branches on tree nearest school on right very low. Blackwell End – small gate latch lock missing.</p> <p>Skatepark Weekly: Cllr Garbutt – weekly inspection reports submitted by email.</p> <p>Items requiring attention will be referred to Handyman and PSSC.</p> <p>Inspection Rota: October-November:</p> <p>Meadow View – Cllr Norris.</p> <p>Mays Way, Blackwell End & Village Hall – Cllr Dring.</p> <p>Skatepark Weekly – Cllr Garbutt.</p> <p>Skatepark Concrete Surface: Additional area of damage requires repair. Clerk to ask Millstream to re-quote. Another company inspecting site on 11/10/24 to quote.</p> <p>Meadow View Play Area Surface: One quote received. Three companies have expressed interest in quoting. Clerk to send out details of requirement. Cllr Parkin will provide plan of MV Recreation Ground and location of where chippings can be dropped and spread.</p> <p>MV Football Pitch Markings: Towcester Town Junior FC responded to PC that the problem is the new portable goalpost. It was resolved that the Clerk reply and explain the ownership of the goalpost (PSSC and not a football team) and reiterate that the line markings must be reinstated to that of previous seasons.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>SP</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p>
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(v)	PSSC Car Park Entry Gate: Cllr Nagle will send photos to Clerk and Cllr Dring will provide contact details of company to approach for quotation.	CN SD																																																																																																														
(vi)	PSSC New Goalpost: PSSC provided details of invoice and grant from The Football Foundation leaving a balance of £765. <i>It was resolved to agree to the request of a grant of £765 – the goalpost to be the responsibility of PSSC to insure and repair as required.</i> It was further noted that any future grant requests from PSSC must be submitted for consideration in advance of any expenditure.	JS JS																																																																																																														
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(viii)	Budget 2025-2026: Cllr Norris presented the first draft of the budget.																																																																																																															
(ix)	Payments: <i>It was resolved to approve bank transfers as listed below, checked by Cllr Capps. To be authorised by Cllr Parkin and Cllr Millidge.</i> Cllr Norris abstained having declared an interest in payment to The Old Mail TR539.																																																																																																															
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(i)	Winter Gritting Routes 2024-2025: WNC Highways have agreed to the request from the PC and Cllr McCord to upgrade High Street and Poundfield Road and add to the precautionary network. Cllr Parkin responded to Highways with a request to consider including the bus route along Sanders Lane.																																																																																																															
(ii)	Grounds Maintenance Contract: <i>It was resolved to approve the updated contract.</i> Invitations to tender will be issued this month.	JS																																																																																																														
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(i)	Mill Pond Meadow: Cllr Lucas reported that Tim Dring has mown the wildflower meadow. Letter of thanks to be sent. Cllr Lucas will contact Mr Hubbard at the end of October regarding the pond extension.	JS																																																																																																														
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(iv)	Vehicle Activated Signs: Letters sent to 10 residents in properties nearest to the VAS locations requesting their signed consent – eight replies so far. It was noted after the September meeting that 91 High Street does not exist. The Clerk has posted a letter to 75 High Street instead. Cllr Parkin will contact 58 High Street. Will proceed with next stages of process when all have replied.	SP																																																																																																														
(v)	Fireworks Display – 2 November 2024: Mr Ben Russell and PSSC have provided information: Start time 6:45pm, show length 20-25 minutes, more low noise fireworks this year, PSSC Insurance document. Details of marshals and helpers will be provided after 20 October meeting. Final risk assessments to follow.																																																																																																															

(vi)	Potterspurty Veterans FC: It was resolved to agree to the application to use Meadow View football pitch on Sunday mornings from August 2025.	JS
6606	CORRESPONDENCE: Consider as listed and other items received.	
(i)	Emails 19/9 & 23/9: 71 High Street front garden fence / wall. It was resolved to respond that the PC is not a planning authority and suggest advice be sought from WNC Planning.	JS
(ii)	Emails 6/9 & 9/9: WNC Prepare for Local Nature Recovery. PC will await consultation details.	
(iii)	Email 6/10: Camper Van parked on MV car park overnight. Signage may be required – Cllr Parkin will look into.	SP
6607	ANNUAL PARISH REPORTS: Copies can be found on PC website.	
(i)	The Old Mail – Treasurer’s Report.	
(ii)	Potterspurty Village Hall – Chair’s Report.	
6608	UPDATES: Cllr Parkin - Mud on A5 from local farmer’s tractor caused dangerous driving conditions and drains may be blocked.	
6609	Next Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 13 November 2024 – Village Hall.	
	Meeting closed 10:10pm	
		JES 15/10//2024

Signed _____ Date _____