

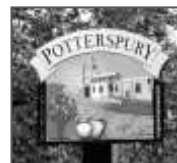
Potterspurvy Parish Council

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MINUTES of the meeting of Potterspurvy Parish Council held on Wednesday 11 January 2023 at 7:30pm in Potterspurvy Village Hall.

Councillors present: Dr S Parkin (Chair), Mrs J Millidge, Mr G Lucas, Mr S Dring, Mrs J Blunden, Mrs B Silvester.

Parish Clerk: Mrs J Spence.

Apologies: Cllr Holland (childcare), Cllr Z Peasland (away), Cllr S Peasland (away), Cllr Norris (unwell), Cllr Capps (unwell).

Mr C Coppin, NHW Coordinator & Police Liaison Rep and WNC Cllr W Barter sent apologies.

6246	APOLOGIES: <i>It was resolved to approve the apologies for absence from Cllrs Holland, Z Peasland, S Peasland, Norris and Capps.</i>	
6247	MINUTES: <i>It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14 December 2022, which were duly signed by the Chair.</i>	
6248	MATTERS ARISING: None.	
6249	DECLARATION OF INTEREST UNDER COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT: None.	
6250	MINUTES ACTION REPORT: Noted.	
6251	PAYMENTS: Cllr Millidge to check invoices and payments lists prior to approval.	
6252	PUBLIC FORUM: Mr Craig Coppin, NHW Coordinator & Police Liaison Rep sent a report by email: Crime figures: November - SN 230 (Potterspurvy 9). The Beat Bus visited Cherry Lane Garden Centre on 31/12/22. Top 3 priorities for SN Police area in coming months: Road Safety & Road Traffic Offences, Burglary, Drug Dealing/Misuse. Advice from Police report all crime no matter how small. A new free smartphone app – Flare Report – has been launched to help women and girls feel and be safer on streets of Northants. Northants Police were the only force in England and Wales to report actual fall in overall crime in the year to June 2022. Email and Text scams continue.	
6253	WNC WARD COUNCILLOR: Cllr William Barter sent a report by email: WNC now expecting the 2022/23 budget will be in balance by the end of the financial year after using contingencies and taking £5m from reserves. Council Tax increasing – average across West Northants is 4.99% - the average in the old SN area will be 5.35% due to progressive harmonization of previous council levels.	
6254	FORMER PARISH COUNCILLOR RODNEY BROADWOOD KILVERT: It was with sadness that we learned of the death of Rod on 17 December 2022. Rod worked tirelessly for many years on the Parish Council and leaves a legacy of improvements to the village, especially for younger members of the community, notably the Skatepark & MUGA, the Outdoor Gym and the refurbishment of the Blackwell End and Meadow View play areas.	
6255	PLANNING (i) Planning Applications: None. (ii) Planning Decisions: WNS/2022/1803/FUL Proposed new 4-bedroom dwelling. 24 Blackwell End. Withdrawn 13/12/22. Noted.	
6256	PLAY AREAS: (i) Inspection Reports November-December: (a) Meadow View – Cllr Norris submitted a report by email. (b) Mays Way, Blackwell End & Village Hall – Cllr Dring submitted a report by email.	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) (a) (b) (iii) 	<p>Inspection Rota January-February: Meadow View: Cllr Millidge. Mays Way, Blackwell End, Village Hall: Cllr Lucas. Play Area Inspection Co-ordinator: No report.</p>																																														
<p>6257</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) (ii) (a) (b) (iii) (a) (b) (iv) (v) (vi) (vii) 	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>Budget Report: <i>It was resolved to approve the Budget Report.</i></p> <p>Bank Balances: TOTAL £59,984.48 (31/12/22).</p> <p>(a) Lloyds Current: £24,027.68 (31/12/22). (b) Lloyds Deposit: £35,956.80 (31/12/22).</p> <p>Receipts:</p> <p>(a) Lloyds Deposit: December interest £36.61. (b) PSSC: Rent 1/12/22-31/5/23 £250.</p> <p>Budget & Precept 2023/24: No changes from last month necessary – Precept Demand will be issued to WNC – Precept £59,965. Budget £60,845.</p> <p>Potterspurty Recreation Ground Charity: <i>It was resolved to approve invoice to PRG £75 – 2022 admin fee.</i></p> <p>NPOWER Business Solutions: It had been intended to consider setting up a direct debit for streetlight electricity charges, but the NPOWER invoice dated 5/1/23 was incorrect – 20% VAT charged instead of 5%. Reported on 9/1/23 – NPOWER will issue corrected invoice and in meantime put a hold on any recovery action. It was noted there have been previous issues of poor service from NPOWER – it took 8 months for them to issue invoices after taking over the account from E.ON.</p> <p>Payments: <i>It was resolved to approve payments as listed below, checked in the meeting by Cllr Millidge. To be authorised online by Cllr Millidge and Cllr Parkin.</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="261 920 1402 1305"> <thead> <tr> <th>TR no</th> <th>PAYEE</th> <th>Net £</th> <th>VAT £</th> <th>Total £</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>1.1.23 Tesco Mobile: In credit £60.00</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>320</td> <td>J Spence: Clerk salary December & backpay to 1/4/22 £1308.87, mileage £15.75, broadband £14</td> <td>£1338.62</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>£1338.62</td> </tr> <tr> <td>321</td> <td>HMRC: Clerk PAYE £327.20, Employer NI £121.17</td> <td>448.37</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>448.37</td> </tr> <tr> <td>322</td> <td>B Osborne: Payroll services October-December 2022</td> <td>67.50</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>67.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>323</td> <td>A Stockton: Litter picking December</td> <td>100.00</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>324</td> <td>DNH Contracts: Dog bins December</td> <td>123.75</td> <td>24.75</td> <td>148.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>325</td> <td>Electricity Network Contractors: 4 Streetlight repairs</td> <td>620.00</td> <td>124.00</td> <td>744.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>£2698.24</td> <td>148.75</td> <td>£2846.99</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	TR no	PAYEE	Net £	VAT £	Total £	DD	1.1.23 Tesco Mobile: In credit £60.00				320	J Spence: Clerk salary December & backpay to 1/4/22 £1308.87, mileage £15.75, broadband £14	£1338.62	0.00	£1338.62	321	HMRC: Clerk PAYE £327.20, Employer NI £121.17	448.37	0.00	448.37	322	B Osborne: Payroll services October-December 2022	67.50	0.00	67.50	323	A Stockton: Litter picking December	100.00	0.00	100.00	324	DNH Contracts: Dog bins December	123.75	24.75	148.50	325	Electricity Network Contractors: 4 Streetlight repairs	620.00	124.00	744.00			£2698.24	148.75	£2846.99	<p>JS</p>
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<p>6258</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) (ii) (iii) (iv) (a) (b) (v) (vi) 	<p>VILLAGE MATTERS</p> <p>Mill Pond Meadow: Cllr Lucas reported parts flooded after recent rainfall. More seeds to be purchased in the spring for around pond. Coach bolts to be inserted in split footbridge gateposts.</p> <p>Defibrillator Monthly Check: Cllr Parkin reported in working order.</p> <p>CCTV: Monthly Check: Cllr Blunden reported in working order.</p> <p>Streetlights:</p> <p>(a) Faulty: Electricity Network Contractors asked to quote for repair/replacement of 4 faulty streetlights (columns 52, 15, 10 and 105) but prior to submitting the quote carried out the work and replaced photocells and lamps with 18w fluorescent lamps and replaced other damaged equipment free of charge.</p> <p>(b) Column 79 – 99 Mays Way: Power reconnected by National Grid on 4/1/23.</p> <p>(v) Dave Miller Stand Bench: No reply received from Potterspurty FC to email sent on 20/12/22. <i>It was resolved to ask handyman to remove remaining parts of the bench.</i></p> <p>(vi) Vandalism & Anti-Social Behaviour in Village: Complaints of littering in Meadow View car park, especially near Skatepark – cars/vans congregating most evenings usually between 7-9pm. It is believed drug dealing may be involved – reported to Police. To continue to monitor on CCTV and report activity to Police. Suggestions of ways to lock the gate and additional security, but nothing resolved.</p>	<p>JS</p>																																													

(vii)	PC Grit Bins: Handyman has topped up. Cllr McCord suggested asking WNC to top up and recharge. <i>It was resolved to thank Cllr McCord for offer but our current arrangement working well.</i>	JS
(viii)	Chainlink Fence Meadow View to Brook: Fence damaged – handyman asked to repair or replace as necessary.	
6259	CONSULTATIONS: (i) WN Strategic Plan Spatial Options Consultation: Nothing to report. (ii) Employment Allocations Supplementary Planning Document: Nothing to report – to be removed from agenda.	
6260	CORRESPONDENCE: Email 4/1/23: Request from resident at 46 Mays to remove branch of tree in Mays Way play area overhanging their garden. The Tree Warden checked and spoke to the resident. <i>It was resolved to notify resident they may remove and dispose of branch.</i>	JS
6261	UPDATES (for information only): (i) WNS/2022/1741/EIA Furtho Pits Frontier Developments – AL5 Cosgrove, Old Stratford: WNC Cllr McCord submitted a letter of objection to Samantha Taylor, WNC Planning on 9/1/23. <i>It was resolved to thank Cllr McCord for the excellent detailed content in the objection.</i> (ii) Cllr Blunden reported fly tipped garden furniture on Two Field Footpath: Cllr Parkin will investigate and report to WNC. (iii) Safety Plans: Cllr Parkin prepared maps on Parish Online of farmland in and around Potterspury the owners of which need identifying. Cllr Dring will provide the information.	JS SP SP SD
6262	Next Parish Council Meeting – 8 February 2023 - 7:30pm - Village Hall. Meeting closed 8:45pm.	
		JES 31/01/2023

Signed _____ Date _____