Potterspury Parish Council

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MINUTES of the meeting of Potterspury Parish Council held on Wednesday 8 February 2023 at 7:30pm in Potterspury Village Hall.

Councillors present: Dr S Parkin (Chair), Mrs J Millidge, Mr G Lucas, Mr S Dring, Mrs J Blunden, Mr R Capps, Mr S Norris, Mrs Z Peasland, Mr S Peasland.

Parish Clerk: Mrs J Spence.

Apologies: Cllr Holland (childcare), Cllr Silvester (unwell).

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

Also present: WNC Cllr W Barter, WNC Cllr K Pritchard and one member of the public.

6263	Holland and Silvester.				
6264 (i) (ii)	MINUTES: It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of Potterspury Recreation Ground Charity Meeting held on 11 January 2023, which were duly signed by the Chair. It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 January 2023, which were duly signed by the Chair.				
6265	MATTERS ARISING: None.				
6266	DECLARATION OF INTEREST UNDER COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT: Cllr Millidge - Payment 330 received for purchase on behalf of PC and Cllr Lucas - Payment 333 received for purchase on behalf of PC – Minute 6274(iv).				
6267	MINUTES ACTION REPORT: Noted.				
6268	PAYMENTS VERIFICATION: Cllr Z Peasland checked invoices and payments list prior to approval.				
6269	PUBLIC FORUM: A resident interested in Parish Council attended meeting.				
6270	NHW COORDINATOR & POLICE LIAISON REP: Mr Craig Coppin submitted a report by email. Crime figures: December – SN 213 (Potterspury 2). Local crime – reports of youngsters riding around High Street after dark, wearing dark clothing and no lights on bikes. Will monitor and report to Police. Beat Bus visited Potterspury on 1/2/23. Policing in Your Area on Northants Police website gives details of Neighbourhood Policing Team, dates of events in area including surgeries and Beat Bus visits. www.northants.police.uk Email and text scams continue with energy rebate and energy bill scams increasing – for advice - www.cyberaware.gov.uk Domestic Abuse Support in Northants – www.ndas.co The Countryside Code – www.gov.uk/countryside-code Think WIDEN to prevent home burglary: www.ourwatch.org.uk/thinkwiden W: WINDOWS - keep locked I: INTERIOR – put inside lights on a timer or smart bulb D: DOORS – double or deadlock doors E: EXTERIOR – outside lights on a sensor N: NEIGHBOURS – keep an eye out for your neighbours				

6271	WNC W	VARD COUNCILLORS:				
(i)	Cllr William Barter: The Spatial Strategy as modified is morphing into a new Local					
		r the whole of WN, superseding the existing Local PI			for the	
		ion of the new Local Plan for WN is due to start in Ju				
		tation and Adoption in September 2025. One budget			n	
		on is planned to move to every 3 weeks, rather than				
		ons for medical waste and additional bins and capac				
		a facility on WNC website to send out notifications or	n which bli	n to put ol	Jt.	
(ii)		n Pritchard: Member of Budget Scrutiny Panel – a I	ong ioh to	halance t	tha	
(11)		and ensure reasonable for rural as well as urban are				
		rtho Pits – met with Planning Officer – being held for			er	
		ted Care System (ICS) to replace Social Services –				
		rs to set up – details on WNC website. Pilot planned				
		staff or budget yet from Central Government,		5		
6272	PLANN	ling				
(i)	Plannir	ng Applications:				
(a)	WNS/2	023/0023/FUL Single storey rear extension. 6 Churc	:h End. <i>It</i> v	was resol	lved to	
		t a response of no comment to WNC Planning.				
(b)		023/0024/LBC Listed building consent for single stor				
		End. It was resolved to submit a response of no	comment	t to WNC		
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(ii)		ng Decisions:		the set for set a	a la al	
		022/2254/LBC Listed building consent for replaceme ors. 6 Church End. Approved 4/1/23. Noted.		ing front a	and	
		ors. o Church End. Approved 4/1/25. Noted.				
6273	ΡΙΔΥΔ	AREAS:				
(i)						
(a)	Inspection Reports January-February: Meadow View – Cllr Millidge submitted a report by email.					
(b)	Mays Way, Blackwell End & Village Hall – Clir Lucas submitted a report in writing.					
(ii)		tion Rota February-March:			5	
(a)		w View: Cllr Capps.				
(b)		Vay, Blackwell End, Village Hall: Cllr Blunden.				
(iii)		noted that there are no loose fittings on the Activity T	rail in May	's Way PA	А,	
		external inspection reports.				10
(iv)		equiring attention will be referred to Handyman.				JS
(iii)	Play Ar	rea Inspection Co-ordinator: No report.				
6274	FINAN	°E				
(i)		CE t Report: It was resolved to approve the Budget I	Ponort			
(i) (ii)		Balances: TOTAL £57,732.65 (31/1/23).	vepon.			
(ii) (a)		Current: £21,731.69 (31/1/23).				
(b)	-	Deposit: £36,000.96 (31/1/23).				
(iii)	Receipts:					
(a)		Deposit: January interest £44.16.				
(b)		harity: Administration Fee 2022 £75.00.				
(c)		olas PCC: High Street Churchyard – Interments of A	shes, Hea	dstone &		
	Memori	al £476.00.				
(iv)	Payme	nts: It was resolved to approve payments as liste	ed below,	checked	by Cllr	
		land. To be authorised online by Cllr Z Peasland			1	-
	TR no	PAYEE	Net £	VAT £	Total £	-
	DD	1.2.23 Tesco Mobile: In credit £52.50	070.40		070.40	
	326	J Spence: Clerk salary £848.67, mileage £15.75. office £14	878.42	0.00	878.42	4
	327	HMRC: Clerk PAYE £212.20, Employer NI £41.80	254.00	0.00	254.00	4
	328	A Stockton: Litter picking January	100.00	0.00	100.00	4
	329	Potterspury Village Hall: Meeting room hire Nov & Dec.	40.00	0.00	40.00	-
	330	WordPress: Domain hosting – 2 years (J Millidge)	60.00	0.00	60.00	4
	331	D J Hubbard: Mill Pond Meadow – extend pond	400.00	0.00	400.00	4
1	332	Emorsgate Seeds: Mill Pond Meadow – meadow seeds	224.00	8.96	232.96	1

	333 TCB Direct Ltd (Amazon): Mill Pond Meadow – Roundup weedkiller (G Lucas)	44.08	8.82	52.90	
	334 R Phillips: Handyman labour £94.40, materials £98.16	176.20	16.36	192.56	
	335 DNH Contracts: Dog bins January	99.00	19.80	118.80	
	336 RTM Landscapes: Tree works – Mays Way PA £324, Lime	2970.50	594.10	3564.60	
	trees High Street £480, Dead trees High Street £540, Annual				
	tree/shrub maintenance £2058.60, Ivy Churchyard wall £162.				
		5246.20	648.04	5894.24	
275	PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS:				
(i)	Councillor Vacancies: One expression of interest received 3/3/23.	. Deadline	e for app	lications	
(ii)	Clerk Delegated Authority: It was resolved to approve T Authority Policy Document.	he Schen	ne of Del	egated	JS
(iii)	Clerk's Contract: It was resolved to approve the update	s to contr	act – sal	lary and	
()	annual leave entitlement – signed by Chair and counter				
(iv)	Safety Plans: In progress – nothing to report.	• •			SP
(v)	Handyman Contract: It was resolved to approve offer of	further y	ear on s	ame	JS
	terms.				
276	VILLAGE MATTERS				
(i)	Mill Pond Meadow: Cllr Lucas expressed thanks to Mr Alar				
	past months and recently cutting back ivy from Sycamore tre				
	significant sighting of a Grey Wagtail on pond was noted. So				
	box – when cleared out an old (non-viable) Little Owl egg wa				
	squirrels may have disturbed parent owls. Footbridge requir				
	treatment. Contact to be made with residents who previously			st in	JS
	helping with small maintenance jobs – "Friends of Mill Pond	Meadow".			
ii)	Defibrillator				
(a)	Monthly Check: Cllr Parkin reported in working order.				
(b)	Replacement Pads/Battery: 20+ week lead time if purchas	ed throug	h usual c	ompany	
	and it is believed this is normal for all suppliers. 2-3 year exp	piry so imp	ortant to		
	order/purchase at optimum time. Clerk and Chair to contact	Jane Rob	erts (Firs	t	SP
	Responder) for advice on alternative ways of purchasing.		,		JS
(c)	Defibrillator Training: Jane Roberts has suggested refresh	er training	ı – to be		JS
()	arranged.	U U			
iii)	сстў:				
(a)	Monthly Check: Cllr Capps reported in working order.				
(b)	New CCTV Equipment Quotations: Five companies were	approache	ed to auo	te and	
(-)	three companies submitted quotations. Needs detailed analy		•		JS
	prepare a summary of quotations and FWG to meet to c	·			FW
iv)	Orders to RTM Landscapes: It was resolved to ratify ord		d for rei	noval	
,	of 6 dead trees near Bus Shelter - £450 + VAT and remo			- •	
	Churchyard wall - £135 + VAT.	····/			
V)	Bleed Kit: Cllr Millidge reported a suggestion was made on	Facebook	to purch	ase a	
- /	Bleed Kit for the village which will also require a heated cab				
	defibrillator cabinet for Bleed Kit so will require local fund rai			Cllr	JM
	Millidge will look into further and report when more informati				
vi)	Coronation of King Charles III – Monday 8 May 2023:				
• • •	Cllr Parkin reported this would be good opportunity to ask for	r voluntee	rs. incluc	lina	
	children, and arrange series of 'good works' events to make				
	improvements in the village, e.g. stream clearing, flowering				JS
	Environmental Coordinators to be contacted to suggest a 'm				SP
277	CONSULTATIONS:				
(i)	WN Strategic Plan Spatial Options Consultation: Nothing	g to report	– remove	e from	
	agenda.	-			
278	CORRESPONDENCE:				
i)	31/1/23 Email: Request for dog bin in Church End. It was i	resolved a	arrange		JS
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(;;;)	<i>purchase and installation in April.</i> Chair to prepare location plan. 1/2/23 Email: Potterspury Preschool requested permission and advice on locations for	SP
(ii)	Easter Egg Hunt. It was resolved Clerk will respond with relevant information.	JS
(iii)	1/2/23 Email: Complaint about non-repair of streetlight column 28. It was resolved to reply to explain PC is unable to repair until tree in garden of 35 Mays Way is	JS
	removed. It was resolved to write again to resident of 35 Mays Way and request tree removed urgently.	JS
6279	UPDATES (for information only):	
(i)	Britannia Bus Service 89: New timetable commencing 27/2/23 on their website. Cllr Norris printed copies for shop, bus shelter and noticeboard. MD to be contacted to establish how company will advertise.	JS
(ii)	Old Talbot: It was noted that the old hanging sign (dog) has been taken down and replaced with corporate logo sign. May need planning permission as listed building. Clerk to report to WNC Enforcement.	JS
6280	POTTERSPURY COMMUNITY SHIELD AWARD 2022:	
	Nominations were considered and voted on. Six nominations for 4 people. Results will be published after winner has received award and runners-up notified.	SP JS
6281	Next Parish Council Meeting – 8 March 2023 - 7:30pm - Village Hall.	
	Meeting closed 9:20pm.	
	JES 01/03/2023	

Signed _____ Date_____