

South Muskham/Little Carlton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 15th June 2022 at 7.30pm in the Main Hall, South Muskham Village Hall

Present: Cllrs K Brown, P Jarvis and G Shearing (Chair)

18.22/23 **Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest**

Apologies – Received and accepted from Councillor Catanach, Councillor Gill, District Councillor Mrs Saddington and County Councillor Laughton.

Open Session

There were no members of the public present and apologies had been received from Cllr Mrs Saddington and Cllr Laughton.

19.22/23 **Chair's Report**

In his absence, Cllr Catanach had provided a written report which was read by Cllr Shearing.

Thanks were extended to everyone involved in the distribution of the Platinum Jubilee mugs which, although a low key commemoration, had been well received. Emails had been received from residents thanking the Parish Council for the gesture. Members welcomed the thanks.

Best wishes were extended to Cllr Gill for his operation on 16th June.

Cllr Catanach had recently attended the briefing arranged by Nottinghamshire County Council for Parish and Town Councils. While interesting to hear plans, Cllr Catanach considered that there was very little detail as yet provided. A hard copy of the presentation was available for Members if they wanted to read it.

20.22/23 **To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 18th May 2022**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 18th May 2022 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

21.22/23 **Matters arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere on the Agenda**

There were none.

22.22/23 **Financial Issues**

22.1 To record Receipts

None

22.2 To approve invoices for payment:

- Clerk's Wages (May) – £283.40
- HMRC Payment (May) – £70.80
- EDF Energy – Beckitt Field - £11.58
- WaterPlus – Beckitt Field - £22.46
- Norwell Groundcare - Mowing of Beckitt's Field (May) - £170
- Came & Company Insurance Renewal - £711.60

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22.3 To note the Internal Auditor's Report
The Clerk advised that the Internal Auditor had concluded the review of the accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 2022 and found no issues to report, other than a small amendment to the Asset Register figure.

22.4 To consider the Annual Governance Statement for the 2021-22 Financial Year
Members received, noted and agreed the Accounting Statement as at 31st March 2022 and AGREED that it should be signed by the Chairman.

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As the Parish Council was under the £25,000 threshold a Certificate of Exemption was also approved and would be submitted to PKF Littlejohn.

23.22/23 **Planning**

23.1 22/00976/FULM – Field Reference Number 2227 Hockerton Road, Caunton - Proposed solar development, access and associated works.

Members noted that the development was now showing as both sides of Hockerton Road. The Clerk referred to the potential for a community benefit payment. Members asked that clarification be sought.

After discussion it was AGREED that no comment be made on the application.

24.22/23 **Parish Council Matters**

24.1 Casual Vacancy

The Clerk advised that no applications had yet been received. The vacancies continued to be promoted.

24.2 To consider future projects

After discussion, it was AGREED that the Clerk investigate floral planters that could be used to enhance the environment where the noticeboard is at South Muskham (Forge Close/Main Street) and also along the boundary of Beckitt Field.

24.3 Correspondence from the Environment Agency

Members noted the correspondence from the Environment Agency regarding the problems being experienced with dog fouling.

Members were supportive of the correspondence which would be circulated to all households in South Muskham.

24.4 Invitation to the Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council's Civic Service – Sunday, 26th June 2022

Members received and noted the invitation to the Chairman of the County Council's Civic Service on Sunday, 26th June 2022.

24.5 To note the Tour of Britain 2022 – Stage 5 Route – 8th September 2022

Members noted information received regarding the route of the Tour of Britain on 8th September 2022.

24.6 To note an invitation from the Lord Lieutenant to attend a Summer Garden Party Reception at his home in Caunton on 25 June 2022

Members received and noted the invitation to attend a Summer Garden Party Reception at the Lord Lieutenant's home on 25th June 2022.

25.22/23 **Beckett Field**

Councillor Brown asked whether there was any progress to the change requested to the Dog Control Order at Beckett Field. The Clerk advised that no further information had been received from Newark & Sherwood District Council. An update would be requested.

26.22/23 **Flooding, Drainage & Emergency Planning**

26.1 Training

The Clerk continued to try and secure signage training specific to the village.

27.22/23 **Highways**

27.1 South Muskham Footpath 1A

Councillor Brown noted that there had still not been any changes to the signage. The Clerk confirmed that the onus was on the landowner to put in the infrastructure as they had requested the diversion. Enquiries would be made with Rights of Way on whether a timescale was in place for the diversion works to be completed.

27.2 Great North Road

Members expressed concern at the condition of the Great North Road from the mini-roundabout at South Muskham, down to the Cattle Market. Potholes were repaired, but the quality of the repair work was not ideal, with sections of the road needing to be replaced.

It was AGREED that the Clerk raise this with District Councillor Mrs Saddington and County Cllr Laughton.

28.22/23 **Correspondence Received**

28.1 There was none to note.

29.22/23 **Other matters arising not on the agenda**

29.1 Councillor Jarvis asked about the availability of Lamp Post Poppies. The Clerk advised that the Royal British Legion would be cascading information out through the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils when available.

Next Meeting – Parish Council – 13th July 2022 at South Muskham & Little Carlton Village Hall (due to Clerk being on leave 20th July 2022)

The meeting was closed at 8.10pm

Minutes approved as a true record –