

## North Cerney Parish Council

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING on 11th May 2023 at 8.15 pm at The Memorial Hall, North Cerney

**Present:** Councillors Adam Stoten, Cathy Martin, Clare Cannock and Neil Brown, and Barry Koch as RFO

**Presiding:** Councillor A Stoten

**Clerk:** V Hancock

**Apologies:** Councillors Mark Tufnell (attended later) and County and District Councillor Paul Hodgkinson

It was **resolved** that Councillors Tufnell and Wilkes would be granted a period of one month in which to sign their Declarations of Acceptance of Office

#### 1. Election of Officers

1.1 This was deferred until later in the meeting (see below)

1.2 The Council **resolved** unanimously that Councillor Stoten be elected Vice-Chairman

1.3 Barry Koch was reappointed RFO

1.4 Sue Power was reappointed Internal Auditor

#### 2.1 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023

The Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 be approved and signed.

#### 2.2 Matters Arising:

2.2.1 Councillor Cannock agreed to look further into the cost of a Coronation bench.

2.2.2. It was not yet known what funding would be needed from the Council for the Woodmancote defibrillator. The Clerk would ask Christopher Wise if he was able to provide this as yet.

#### 3. County Issues:

These had been dealt with by the report of Councillor Hodgkinson at the Annual Parish Meeting.

#### 4. Financial Matters

4.1 **The Annual Governance Statement** was completed and it was **resolved** that it be signed by the Vice-Chairman.

4.2 **The Annual Accounting Statements for 2021/22** and year end Bank reconciliation were presented by the RFO and it was **resolved** that they be approved.

4.3 **Reconciliation Statement:** The reconciliation statement for the current year was presented by the RFO, and it was **resolved** that it be approved. The first precept payment of £4,500 had been received, and a further CIL payment of £1,943.76.

<b>4.4 Authorisation of Expenditure:</b> The following expenditure was approved:		
GRCC	Annual membership subscription	25.00
PlaySafety	RoSPA report	98.40

Councillor Tufnell joined the meeting

## 5. Highway Issues

5.1 The Clerk reported that the large pothole in the A435 had been filled, and she had been told that replacement of the crossroad sign at the junction of Dark Lane and The Whiteway was in hand. The flooding on the A435 had also been dealt with.

5.2 The Clerk was asked to make representations to the Police and Highways regarding the rejection of the proposed extension of the 40 mph speed limit on the A435. There was no indication that the Police had tried to enforce the existing 40 mph limit past the village. Regard needed to be had to the safety of pedestrians using the pavement, and crossing the road to the bus stop.

## 6. Planning Applications and Tree Preservation Orders

6.1 **Planning Applications:** The Council had been notified of the following:

The Meeting Room, Woodmancote: variation of the approved plans

The Bathurst Arms: re-location of a shed, new refrigeration unit, fencing and paving

6.2 **Decisions and Notices:** none notified.

## 7. Woodmancote Playground:

7.1 The RoSPA Report had been received and circulated. There were no items requiring immediate attention, although the turntable appeared not to be turning. Councillor Brown said he would look at this, and also mentioned that the weeds on the tarmac area needed to be dealt with as they were breaking up the surface.

7.2 The Clerk reported that, after saying that he would not be cutting the grass this year, Ross Collins had now agreed to do this at a cost of £900, which was agreed.

7.3 The Clerk mentioned that the Lease of the playground would expire next year. It was agreed that she should write to the CDC Solicitor about arrangements for its renewal. She mentioned that the renewal would almost certainly involve some legal costs.

## 8. Matters Arising from the Annual Parish Meeting:

There were none

## 9. Coronation Street Party:

Community parties to celebrate the coronation had been held in North Cerney, Woodmancote and Calmsden.

## 10. Correspondence:

The following correspondence was reported by the Clerk:

Notices relating to flood meetings

From GAPTC advising that all Councils should ensure that any land they owned was registered at the Land Registry. The Clerk would look into whether the North Cerney village green could be registered.

(From above) 1.1 **Election of Chairman:** The Council **resolved** unanimously that Councillor Tufnell be elected as Chairman

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11. **Any Other Business:** None

12. **Date and Time of the Next Meeting(s):**

The next meeting would be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September in the Memorial Hall North Cerney

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed: .....