**NEWTON SOLNEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Parish Council meeting held 16th July 2024 at the Village Hall**

**Present:** Councillors ; D Smith (Chair), L Charles, S Kelsey, K Makin-Wall

Derbyshire CC Cllr David Muller

NSDC Cllr Kerry Haines

3 members of the public

Susan Stack – Locum Clerk

**MINUTES**

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| **1/7/24** | **To receive apologies for absence**  *Gareth Tully* |
| **2/7/24** | **Declaration of members interest**  *None* |
| **3/7/24** | **To receive and approve minutes of meeting held 18th June 2024**  *It was resolved to receive and approve the minutes (SK/DS)* |
| **4/7/24** | **To receive and discuss any applications for co-option to the Council**  *No applications received – revisit September* |
| **5/7/24** | **To discuss and comment on Planning items:**   1. **Willington Solar Farm**   *Public meeting being held tomorrow and will be asking a number of questions. Will report back to the September meeting. It would appear that they are having pre-application advice from SDDC which would be confidential. The Clerk suggested that any arrangement for financial contribution to the village (via parish council) could be explored.*   1. **Newton Park Hotel**   *Reports received from residents were discussed. It is being run by Derby City and East Staffordshire BC as a refuge but it is not known for which type of group(s). Concerns were raised as to the standard of safeguarding taking place and on-site supervision/responsibility. There is also a high level of ASB being caused by the occupants and police have been called on numerous occasions. No change of use has been submitted and it was thought that it may not be required.*  *Clerk to write to the hotel ref 12th July incident of alleged trespass and that there is an established right of way and that it would be beneficial for the parish council and the management of the hotel to meet with the people responsible for the running of the hotel to get some clarity and discuss the arrangements in place.*  *Clerk also to write to the Chief Exec. of Derby City and Staffordshire BC requesting their involvement in the placements and knowledge of recent incidents that have occurred. Cllr Haines will report back to SDDC on the meeting.*   1. **Juniper Tree survey**   *Report noted.*   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **d)**  **DMPA/2024/0680** | **Homelands, Repton road, Newton Solney, Burton on Trent, DE15 0SG** |  | **The demolition of dwelling and erection of a new dwelling at** | **02-Jul-24** | | *The parish council have received a complaint about the application. It was resolved to object to the planning application on the basis of over-intensification of site, it is not in keeping with the street scene. In addition the reference to a similar property in Repton is not relevant as that is suitably screened, (which is not a possibility with this property). The design is overbearing and will be detrimental to the The Poplars, a grade II listed building.*  *Cllr Haines will speak to the case officer concerned.* | | | | | |
| **6/7/24** | **Reports from;**   * **County Councillor David Muller**   *Kerry and David had a meeting at the school after a recent accident where a child was being dropped off and was hit by a delivery van on emergence between two cars.*  *Highways have been asked for signage at the start of the road and on the road itself to make it clear. A hedge has been severely cut back.*  *The County Council deficit has been substantially reduced.*  *Pot holes are continuing to take place along with some road surfacing.*  *It was reported to him that Newton Lane is the only route when the village floods and needs to be brought up to standard and Cllr Muller will ask for a reference number of the work.*  *Discussions are taking place about a freeport industrial area near Diseworth.*  *Gold Cards (bus pass) are available for those 66 and over to get free transport.*  *Consultation on adult care is taking place in August and contributions are invited. Seven homes are currently earmarked for closure as not fit for purpose.*   * **District Councillor Kerry Haines**   *No additional report*  *The Clerk asked about Concurrent expenses and it was confirmed that they will remain in place but frozen for 2024/25 year*   * **Parish Council Chairlady**   *CEMEX – planning application is being discussed on 1st August in Staffordshire so more information should be available for September meeting.*  *Clerk to chase Defib. date*   * **Parish Councillors**   *Cllr Charles – Bench next to the bowling green needs varnishing. Village Hall committee (two residents) with undertake the work if the parish council would purchase the teak oil. Cllr Makin Wall will liaise and arrange purchase on behalf of the Council..*   * **Speedwatch group**   *First meeting and training along with a representative of Milton PC has taken place. Signage is proving very effective and members will shadow Milton group before starting in Newton Solney.*   * **Village in bloom group**   *Judging has taken place but unfortunately it was bin day, there were roadworks and traffic lights were in place. Outcome awaited.*   * **Village bonfire representatives**   *Chairman has said that she has had no response to the enquiry that they were being held in storage as of 2019. Cllr Makin Wall will chase the supplier. Operational plans were outlined to the meeting. The bonfire will consist of pallets. Parish Council are responsible for the Risk Assessments and Insurance cover.*   * **Christmas Lights representative**   *Will be connected early October. Miles is doing the pre-contract work ahead of the installation free of charge.*   * **Shed and Orchard (Community Hub) representative**   *Community Hub – Cllr Charles - no report but will look into applying for national lottery on behalf of the Parish Council. Plans are needed by 31st August for consideration at the September meeting.* |
| **7/7/24** | **Financial items:**  **Bank reconciliation as set out at end of the agenda**  **List of payments to be made as below;**   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | July 24 | 34 | GARY WALL 927 | Mowing, Playing Fields | -532.50 | | July 24 | 38 | SUSAN STACK (925) | Payroll net of tax incl WFH allowance | -249.88 | | July 24 | 39 | SDDC (924) | Play area inspections | -65.58 | | July 24 | 40 | CUTTLEFISH (923) | E-mail accounts (annual) | -111.85 | | July 24 | 41 | SUSAN STACK (926) | Final June Locum salary | -77.92 | |
| **8/7/24** | **Date of next meeting 17th September 2024**  *Noted* |

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|  | **Bank reconciliation:**   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | Starting balances |  | **£10,171.17** | **£6,000.00** | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | Apr 24 | 1 | HMRC 894 | Income tax R Parker | £(358.00) |  | | Apr 24 | 2 | SDDC | Precept | £8,171.00 |  | | May 24 | 3 | SDDC 895 | Playground Inspections |  |  | | May 24 | 4 | GARY WALL 896 | Service of Mower | £(171.22) |  | | May 24 | 5 | GARY WALL 896 | Cordless Pruner | £(76.49) |  | | May 24 | 6 | SDDC 897 | Playground Inspections |  |  | | May 24 | 7 | GARY WALL 898 | Mowing etc | £(240.00) |  | | May 24 | 8 | ZURICH INSURANCE 899 | Annual Premium |  |  | | May 24 | 9 | SUSAN STACK 900 | Currys Laptop | £(484.00) |  | | Apr 24 | 10 | GARY WALL 901 | Mowing etc | £(176.25) |  | | Apr 24 | 11 | SDDC 902 | Playground Inspections | £(65.58) |  | | Apr 24 | 12 | VILLAGE HALL 903 | Hall Hire | £(18.00) |  | | Apr 24 | 13 | SUSAN STACK 904 | Salary/Mileage | £(265.00) |  | | Apr 24 | 14 | SUSAN STACK 905 | Planter Gviews | £(539.40) |  | | Apr 24 | 15 | CUTTLEFISH 906 | Annual website | £(1,200.00) |  | | Apr 24 | 16 | SDDC reeipt 19/4 |  | £127.15 |  | | Apr 24 | 17 | HMRC | VAT Refund | £1,544.46 |  | | May 24 | 18 | SUSAN STACK 907 | Salary/Mileage | £(592.65) |  | | May 24 | 19 | REFLEX 908 | Logo | £(90.00) |  | | June 24 | 20 | WILLINGTON RAFT RACE | Donation | £50.00 |  | |  |  | **Balances as at 3rd June 2024** |  | **£15,787.19** | **£6,000.00** | |
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