

NEWBOTTLE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON ZOOM ON MONDAY 20 JULY 2020 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Chairman: Councillor Andrew Woods; Councillors Linda Baker, Richard Bland, Andrea Gladden, Adrian Kelly and Diana Sheasby.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Parish Councillor Michael Loggin submitted his apologies because he was on holiday, the apologies were accepted and the absence authorised.

18/20 Grass Verge on Corner of Farthinghoe Road – The Parish Council considered the on-going parking issues on the grass verge on the corner of Farthinghoe Road and Brackley Road. There was a discussion about the situation with two residents and the Clerk confirmed that the residents who were parking on the verges had been written to and asked to park their vehicles more considerately. No reply had been received.

Resolved that:

- 1) the County Council be contacted to establish whether their highways officers would be more flexible about the options to address the matter, if the costs were covered by the residents and also whether the residents could purchase the area of land which is affected; and **Action TG**
- 2) South Northants Council be contacted to advise that a business is being run from a residential address. **Action TG**

The residents left the meeting at the conclusion of this item.

19/20 Declaration of Interests – There were no declarations of interest.

20/20 Minutes - The minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2020 were taken as read, duly adopted and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2020 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

21/20 Matters Arising from the Minutes of 18 May 2020 – There were no matters arising.

22/20 Open Forum – The residents who had been in attendance had left the meeting at this point. No other issues were raised.

23/20 Reports from County and District Councillors - There was no report from the County & District Councillor Rebecca Breese.

24/20 Village Matters

- i) Playing Field and Pavilion – There was no update on the pavilion project. There was a discussion with regard to the playing field and that it might be beneficial if another Football Club rented the field for their training and/or matches.

Resolved that the report be noted.

- ii) Housing Needs Survey – The Parish Council had hoped to discuss the results of the Housing Needs Survey, however they were yet to be received.

Resolved that this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Parish Council. **Action TG**

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- iii) Dog Fouling in the Village – The Parish Council was due to consider new ideas to tackle dog fouling in the village, however the original volunteers had now stepped back, so there was currently no one to pursue these.

Resolved that the report be noted and any new initiatives to tackle dog fouling be deferred until volunteers can be found.

- iv) Northants County Council Consultation 'Have your say on Cycling and Walking in Northamptonshire' – The Parish Council discussed the consultation document and Councillors felt that the roads in the County needed to be maintained better by the County Council, as cycling was extremely dangerous in some areas, due to pot holes and the general wear and tear, which was not being addressed.

Resolved that comments on the condition of the roads in the County be submitted to the County Council.
Action TG

- vi) Speed Signs – Councillor Adrian Kelly reported to the Parish Council that when the two speed signs were relocated, the two pole were going to be left in place. They were then going to be used for the VAS and for another 'slow down' type sign. However, both poles were removed by the contractor.

Resolved that a request be made to the County Council that the two poles be re-installed into their original location on Farthinghoe Road. **Action TG**

25/20 Planning

- i) **Resolved** that, it be noted that, since the last meeting, the Parish Council had considered the following planning applications and works to trees, which had been submitted to South Northamptonshire Council: None
- ii) **Resolved** that, it be noted that, since the last meeting, the following planning application had been determined by South Northamptonshire Council's Planning Committee/Planning Officers. None
- iii) S/2020/1056/FUL & S/2020/1057/LBC
Single storey rear extension
Holly House, Drury Lane, Charlton
No comments

26/20 Finance

- i) Accounts - The Clerk submitted to the Parish Council, the accounts to be paid.

Resolved that the following accounts be approved for payment:

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| T Goss – Salary July 2020 | £126.20 |
| T Goss – Expenses for July | £11.77 |
| T Goss – Salary for August 2020 | £126.20 |
| HMRC – July 2020 payment | £31.60 |
| HMRC – August 2020 payment | £31.60 |
| Eon – Street Lighting maintenance | £107.99 |
| Eon – Electricity supply for street lighting | £598.52 (d/d) |
| South Northants Neighbourhood Watch – Annual Subs | £20.00 |

- ii) Bank Reconciliation - Prior to the meeting, the Clerk had circulated the bank reconciliations as at 20 July 2020 for the Lloyds TSB bank accounts.

Resolved that the bank reconciliation for the Lloyds TSB bank accounts be noted.

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- iii) Parish Council Bank Accounts – The Parish Council discussed closing the two bank accounts at Lloyds TSB and opening two new accounts with Unity Bank, which allowed for on-line banking.

Resolved that:

- 1) the two bank accounts at Lloyds TSB be closed;
- ii) two new bank accounts be opened at Unity Bank; and
- iii) the following signatories on the Parish Council bank account be approved: Councillors Linda Baker, Andrea Gladden and Diana Sheasby and Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer).

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27/20 Correspondence – There was no further correspondence.

28/20 Meeting Dates - The Parish Council noted the following meeting dates, all commencing at 7.30pm at Charlton Memorial Hall (unless otherwise stated):

- 21 September 2020
- 16 November 2020

29/20 Items for Future Agendas

- Housing Needs Survey

(The meeting closed at 8.20pm)

Signed, Chairman – 21 September 2020