

SOUTH NORMANTON PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 13th February 2020 at The Post Mill Centre at 7.00pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: Cllr D Coleman (Chair), Cllr G Parkin (Vice-Chair), Cllr P Barnes, Cllr S Burnham, Cllr J Bryson, Cllr A Coleman, Cllr J Cox, Cllr S Cox, Cllr A Joesbury, Cllr E Parkin, Cllr M Richards, Cllr P Smith

Assistant Clerk: Mr P Hallam

Head Groundsman: Mr M Rhodes

Members of the public x 27

373/2019-20 Apologies were received from Cllr P Upton

374/2019-20 There were no Variations to the Order of Business.

375/2019-20 There were no declarations of members' interests at this point in the meeting.

376/2019-20 Public participation

- (a) The Police Liaison Officer reported that crime levels were relatively low. However, two daytime burglaries had taken place in the last month. The Anti-Social Behaviour Orders have worked wonders, there are just 5 or 6 young people causing isolated problems
- (b) Derbyshire County Councillor J Coyle's report was read out by Cllr D Coleman, it was suggested that residents should make known their opposition to the stopping of trains from Alfreton-Mansfield Parkway and Langley Mill to London. Derbyshire County Council are also considering closing care homes impacting upon vulnerable residents. A consultation is taking place so people should make their views known. Derbyshire County Council are also increasing the cost of school meals by 10 pence from September 2020.
- (c)
- (d) Cllr A Joesbury addressed three complaints that have been made about him. He apologised for any intimidating behaviour in the November meeting. Secondly, he apologised for staring at people in meetings. Thirdly he apologised for using the term "whinging whinnies" when the Vexatious Complaints policy was been discussed.
- (e) A member of the public asked if anything could be done about traffic on Hamlet Lane around the opening and closing of school. The police confirmed that they were aware of the problem and "Matlock" have attended and issued some parking tickets. Cllr G Parkin confirmed that this problem was throughout the whole district. It was agreed to write to Derbyshire County Council to express our concerns about the problem.
- (f) A Blackwell Parish Councillor asked if a letter of complaint about them was shown to the council before it was issued. Three councillors were aware before it was issued, and the rest informed immediately afterwards.

377/2019-20

- (a) To approve the minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 9th January 2020.
RESOLVED (unanimous) The minutes be accepted.

378/2019-20 Assistant Parish Clerk P Hallam gave the Groundsman's Update

- (a) Repair bus shelter windows and cleaning.
- (b) Install safety railing around the new coolers at the rear of the Post Mill Centre.
- (c) Install two new plinths in the cemetery.
- (d) Remove the Christmas tree from the Market Place.
- (e) Mowing the Market Street football pitch.

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- (f) Digging over some flower beds and adding soil to improve the ground.

379/2019-20 Items for Determination

- (a) To approve the Equality Policy
RESOLVED (unanimous) To approve the Equality Policy after amending it to say the review would be no longer than one year.
- (b) To approve the expenditure on the Extreme Wheels Roadshow 2020-2021.
RESOLVED (unanimous) To approve the expenditure on the Extreme Wheels Roadshow 2020-2021 and to see if Section 106 money can be used. To enquire whether some evening sessions can be added.
- (c) To approve a new bus shelter at the end of Hamlet Lane on the Common with a new one with seats.
RESOLVED (unanimous) To defer until the next meeting the decision to replace the bus shelter.

380/2019-20 Finance

- (a) Accounts for payment, January – February 2020 were presented.
RESOLVED (unanimous) the accounts for payment were approved by all.
- (b) To consider the account balances.
RESOLVED (unanimous) To accept the account balances.
- (c) To approve one of the three quotations to replace the swings in Town Park.
RESOLVED (unanimous) to accept the quotation from Hags Ltd.
- (d) To approve one of the three quotations for a Honda HRX476C2HYE (mower) and StihlSA86 25" (cordless hedge trimmer).
RESOLVED (unanimous) to accept the quotation from Belmont Van & Mower Centre Ltd.
- (e) To approve one of the three quotations for new goal posts and nets for the Boundary pitches.
RESOLVED (unanimous) to defer the decision and allow the chair to make it once further information has been obtained.
- (f) To approve a grant application from the South Normanton 50 Plus Group for £800
RESOLVED (unanimous) to award a grant to the South Normanton 50 Plus Group for £800.
- (g) To approve a grant application from SNaP Development Group for £5,000.
RESOLVED (unanimous) to award a grant to SNaP Development Group for £5,000.
- (h) To approve one of the three quotations for work on trees at the Post Mill Centre.
RESOLVED (unanimous) to accept the quotation from Liam Walker for £1,700.

381/2019-20 Planning Applications

The January and February 2020 planning schedule had been previously distributed.

RESOLVED (unanimous) To write to Bolsover District Council asking how many parking spaces there are proposed to be at the development of flats on the old Nisa site.

382/2019-20 DALC Training Courses

Councillors were reminded that DALC training courses are open to them all.

383/2019-20 Report of the Parish Clerk. This was given by the Assistant Parish Clerk P Hallam.

We have applied to NALC Parish Council Award Scheme for the Foundation Award. This is followed by two other awards. The cost to register is £50. I will keep you updated with the progress.

As a Parish Council we take very seriously the protection of our Parish Councillors when dealing with members of the public and other parish councillors. As unpaid public servants they are entitled to the same courtesy, and respect as any other member of the general public.

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David Coleman

Date

12/03/20

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A meeting was held yesterday with Steve Fritchley, Leader of Bolsover District Council, Grant Galloway, Director of Development, and Pam Brown, Leader's Executive Officer and Partnership Strategy and Policy Manager. Cllrs, J Cox, A Joesbury and P Smith were also in attendance. They council were very supportive and offered to help in any way they could. This included: -

- carrying out land searches to discover the owners of properties SNPC may wish to purchase in the future.
- Loaning SNPC money at preferential rates for any building projects.
- Helping SNPC put together a business case for any future projects.
- A suggestion to decorate the roller shutters of shops in the village centre.
- Providing small units for new start-up businesses.
- Grants for small business's looking to expand.
- Helping SNPC create and implement a Vision for South Normanton.

A thank you letter was read out from two residents, John and Ruth Turner.

The Assistant Clerk personally welcomed the three newly elected Parish Councillors, Cllr Sue Cox, Cllr John Cox, and Cllr Phil Smith, and said that he looked forward to working with them in the future.

384/2019-20 Date of the next meeting – The next Meeting of South Normanton Parish Council is to be held on Thursday 12th March 2020 at 7pm at the Post Mill Centre.

The meeting closed at 8.01 pm.

Chairman's signature *David Weman* Date *12/03/20*

