

MILTON MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 14th March 2023
At Raynsford House

PRESENT: Mr Edmund James, Vice-Chairman
Mrs Brenda Jenks Ms Katie Marshall
Mrs Katie Spruels Mr Ian Appleton

ATTENDING: Steve Parker, Chairman of the football club.

IN THE CHAIR: Due to the Chairman's absence, the Vice-Chairman conducted the meeting welcoming everyone and reminding Councillors & Parishioners that meetings can now be recorded as long as it did not disturb the smooth running of the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed Ian Appleton to his first Parish Council meeting.

1. QUESTION TIME - for the public

- Mr Parker explained his concerns to the Council regarding the short term lease the field owners were not inclined to extend to a longer term and that there were only 15 months left on the current lease.
- There is a need to update all the facilities at the club site. New club house, new toilets & changing rooms. Without better facilities, the club is unable to play football at a higher level and invite higher grade clubs to play.
- It was agreed that ideally the club should remain in Milton Malsor, but a longer lease was needed or a different site of 4 acres was found.
- EJ to speak to J. Wake regarding land.

2. APOLOGIES for absence (to include reasons for absence):

J. Winchester (Illness), N. Jagger (personal), S. Jones (Work), P. Heath (Illness)

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Interest & nature of interest to be declared. None

4. REPORTS FROM WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Cllr. A. Addison, Cllr. Adam Brown, Cllr K. Cooper

- The WNC budget has been agreed by the Full Council
- Green bin collection cost has risen to £55. If residents intend to keep a green waste bin they must inform WNC asap & pay the charges by the end of March.
- The Boundary Commission is asking residents for their comments on the boundary changes.
- Cllr Addison attended a site visit regarding phase 2 of the Collingtree Golf Club development which will have access from Rowtree Road & phase 3 will have access onto the Towcester Road.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

These had been previously circulated and were duly proposed seconded and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

6. **MATTERS FOR REPORT** – New matters & those arising from the previous Minutes:

Highways

- Concrete problem reported on Malzor Lane at entrance to property. Query if this area is classed as Highway or part of the driveway. Clerk to enquire.
- Request for a 20 mph zone along Green Street in front of the village school & along the narrow single track of the road.

Lighting

- All out of order streetlights have been reported to E. ON.
- PL21 outside Orchard Court
- PL40 in Lower Road
- PL outside 8 Chestnut Close.

Village Maintenance / Environmental Issues

- Ditches are full & excess water appears to be coming from the Segro/Winvic rail site.
- Ian Appleton has met with local farmer, David Treharne regarding the problem.
- IA will write a report for the Clerk to top & tail & forward to forward to Winvic & WNC Highways. Copy to be sent to D. Winterbottom.

Grass Cutting

- New contractor has undertaken first cut.

Village Park

- Rabbits – correspondence sent to Hawk Pest Control regarding the number of rabbit holes which have been filled in by J. Winchester & K. Spruels.
- The tunnel has a broken post. It was agreed the tunnel is past its prime.
- Multi play area needs attention.

Website – all in order

Face Book – have received some necessary & unwanted comments. These have been closed down.

Newsletter – short of copy

Dog Warden -

Footpaths Warden – J. Winchester – no report

7. **CORRESPONDENCE** – Received & Sent

Received from

1. Several letters received regarding the ‘paddock’ planning application. The Clerk has sent acknowledgements of receipt.

Sent to

1. WNC - Request for fly tipping (10 gas canisters) to be collected from Collingtree Road.
2. H. Howard – report of overhanging tree sent.
3. Householder in High Street regarding the bulging stone wall & repairs.

8. **FINANCE.**

Bank Balances

Current A/C

£200.00

Savings A/C

£37,421.39

Money Received:

Finance Working Group – Clerk to forward end of year spread sheets to E. James & B Jenks.

Audit matters

- New NCALC internal auditor will be undertaking the 2022/2023 audit via internet/zoom meetings.
- Imperative the website is kept up to date.

Accounts to be paid:

It was proposed, seconded & resolved to pay the following invoices:

Cheque No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2594	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	70.80		70.80
2595	J. Winchester	Uplighting on Green	14.00		14.00
2596	Npower	Lighting supply	205.65	41.13	246.78
2597	Cut Crew Ltd	Mowing contract	548.72	109.74	658.46
2598	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services	67.50		67.50
2599	Hawk Pest Control	Rabbit infestation	30.00		30.00
2600	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	283.37	52.19	335.56
2601	Campion School	Newsletter printing	89.00		89.00

NB: Invoices & cheques signed & checked by B. Jenks.
New bank mandate – Clerk to visit Northampton Branch.

9. PLANNING

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
WNS/2022/2117/LBC	The Barn, Towcester Road	Internal alterations	WNC Refusal

SEGRO J15 SRFT

- Excess water from the bunding.

10. OTHER PARISH MATTERS – Councillor's Reports

- Foam mattress on Towcester Road just before the M1 bridge – Clerk to report.
- Poor's Trust Memorandum – will be sent to Trustees for signature.
- School outdoor classroom grant. PC unable to help. Clerk to write to school.
- Clerk to find out costs of updated lighting to LED & night cells.

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

11. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, 11th April 2023**

To note – there will be two meetings in April.

- 7.00 pm The Annual Parish Meeting immediately followed by
 - The April Parish Council Meeting

Signed: **Dated:**