

MILTON MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 9th January 2024
At Raynsford House.

PRESENT:

Cllr Simon Jones, Chairman	Cllr Edmund James, Vice-Chairman
Cllr Brenda Jenks	Cllr Janet Winchester
Cllr Neil Jagger	Cllr Katie Spruels
Cllr Katie Marshall	Cllr Paul Heath
Cllr Ian Appleton	

ATTENDING: No members of the public

IN THE CHAIR: Mr Simon Jones, The Chairman, welcomed everyone to the meeting reminding Councillors & Parishioners that meetings can now be recorded as long as it did not disturb the smooth running of the meeting.

To Note: Thanks go to K. Spruels for taking the minutes of the January meeting due to the absence of the Clerk.

1. **QUESTION TIME - for the public** – None present.
2. **APOLOGIES for absence (to include reasons for absence** – A. Addison (Clerk, 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 – No report this month

5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

These had been previously circulated and were duly proposed seconded and signed by the Chairman as a true record with the following amendments:

- P 212/23 Lighting – remove comment of PL between Stockwell Rd. & Lower Rd. as it was working at time of the meeting.
- P. 214/23 3rd bullet point under budget & precept remove ‘d’ from Ed.

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

Highways

- J. Winchester to check the salt bins.
- Roads are still in a very poor condition.
- Query from parishioners regarding the second ‘entrance’ along the bunding on Collingtree Road. It is understood that this has been made & is used for installing some electricity works for the warehousing development.

Lighting

- All working at present.
- E. James to investigate night cell costings.

Village Maintenance / Environmental Issues

- War Memorial – damage sustained to be looked at & included in repair quote.
- Clerk to chase L. Finn, stonemason to make a site visit & quote for repairs & re-lettering.
- Gate to Sergeant's field – I. Appleton has spoken with the farmer who will also raise the issue with Fix My Street. He stated that if he needs to sheep proof the gate he will do so.
- Community Pay Pack Scheme – B. Jenks noted that they had been working in the Far Cotton area & how tidy it looks. It was suggested the team could be asked to clear the paths, road & gullies in Milton Malsor. Clerk to contact the Probation Service.
- Tree blocking the footpath on Blisworth Road, passed the speed limit sign – Clerk to report.

Village Park

- Wet Pour – two new quotes have been received from Elite Surfacing & Installation and Soft Surfacing Ltd. Elite has visited the site. Wicksteed are currently in the process of re-quoting.
- E. James to look into companies that have provided quotations. Matter to be discussed at the February meeting.

7. FINANCE:

Bank Balances	Current A/C	£200.00
	Savings A/C	£49,678.36

Money Received:	Interest	£58.17
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Accounts to be paid:

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

Cheque No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2677	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	76.60		76.60
2678	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	306.74	76.96	383.70
2679	E. ON	Lighting Maintenance	273.00	54.60	327.60
2680	Npower	Lighting supply	528.45	105.69	634.14
2681	R. Fletcher	Pound, Memorial Church	375.00		375.00
2682	Npower	Lighting	385.84	19.29	405.13
2683	Hawk Pest Control	Park rabbits	30.00		30.00
2684	Campion School	Newsletter printing	145.00		145.00

8. PLANNING

- Former Youngs site still continues to be used for railway works.
- Footpaths around the bypass are now open.
- Central reservation by the Courteenhall Estate is due to be extended to stop any vehicles turning around in the entrance. Work delayed due to estate not being consulted.
- Cameras may be available from the Council to monitor weight limit abuses.
- Segro update:
 - a) Plot 4 taken which includes part of plot 5.
 - b) Plot 7, owner unknown. They are allowed to use their own builder but will need to stick to the agreed plans.
 - c) Rail connections still to be finished. Should be done by the third quarter of 2024.
 - d) P. Heath has asked about the extra funding (not S106) for community projects which now seem unavailable.
- S106 funding – N. Jagger has submitted the final form to the Clerk for the two VAS signs.
- Clerk to apply for a licence for the two VAS signs.

9. **OTHER PARISH MATTERS** – Councillor's Reports

Church:

- Vicar has spoken to E. James regarding burial plots within the Churchyard.
 - a) There are no plots left in the PC burial ground.
 - b) The vicar stated there are limited spaces available in the Churchyard.
- Query as to whose responsibility it is to find further spaces.
- Query if the PC area is consecrated.

Historical Society:

- All data has now been placed onto a Thumb drive which P. Heath has.
- C. Neal & P. Heath to make contact to discuss how this can be incorporated onto the PC website.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at: 8.30 pm

10. **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** **Tuesday, 13th February 2024, 7.30 pm**

Signed: **Dated:**