

MILTON MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 14th January 2020
At 7.30 pm, Raynsford House

PRESENT: Mrs Janet Winchester, Chairman Mrs. Alison Skillen, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Brian Sumpton Mr Tom McManus
Mrs Katie Spruels Mrs Brenda Jenks
Mr Simon Jones Mr Kevin Flynn

ATTENDING:

IN THE CHAIR: Mrs Janet Winchester, 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.

1. QUESTION TIME - for the public

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

SNC Cllr K. Cooper (meeting), N. Jagger (Holiday)

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Interest & nature of interest to be declared

A. Skillen Work Place – Northants County Council

4. REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS & WARDENS:

NCC Cllr. Adam Brown: Nothing further to report

SNC Cllr. A. Addison:

- Budgeting for 2020/2021 financial year
- Local elections to be held on 7th May 2020
 - a) Parish Council elections
 - b) West Northants Unitary Authority – 7th May 2020. Those elected will form the new shadow authority, but during 2020/2021 (up to the 1st APRIL 2021, Vesting Day) those elected will sit on two Councils, but will only receive allowances for one Council. The new Unitary Wards / Divisions will mirror the old NCC Divisions & will have 3 elected members. The **Bugbrooke Division** will cover Harpole, Kislingbury, Rothersthorpe, Gayton, Milton Malsor, Blisworth, Bugbrooke, Nether Heyford, Upper Heyford, Pattishall

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 amendment:

P 77 Highways point c) Add Lower Road & High Street

6. MATTERS FOR REPORT – arising from the Minutes:

Highways

- Drain by 1 High Street severely blocked. Clerk to contact NCC asking for the drain to be jetted
- Pot hole on Collingtree Road in between Church close & the village park. Clerk to report

Lighting – New street light is now working.

Village Maintenance

- Churchyard & Burial Ground – Clerk to contact Peterborough Diocese regarding additional burial ground space on land at Barn Lane.
- Car accident – clerk to contact insurance co. to ask if the damaged seat can be removed on safety grounds.

Face Book – Running well.

7. CORRESPONDENCE – Received & Sent

Received from

1. Terry Tapping – another rubbish bag left for collection by the Village Park.
2. SNC, Andrew Wallace, Leisure Contracts Officer – Urban Tree Challenge Fund, Forestry Commission. Grants available in the next 2 years
3. Citizens Advice – information & request for donations
4. Boobs & Brass – Thanks for donation
5. SNC Local Development Order – extensions without planning permission – information sent to all PC members
6. NCC Sheila Gilder – no change in 2020/2021 mowing grants
7. K. Spruels – Christmas tree fund raising – Group are hoping to install a bigger tree this year.
8. Mike Ladd – Is there anything the Scouts can do to help in the village
9. Wicksteed - ? if a package of maintenance keys has been sent to a PC Member. To note, the Chairman has the pack of tools.
10. Environment Agency – Extensions for applications for previous exempt water abstraction activities. Notice sent to all PC Members.

Sent to

1. GLK Academies – Use of village park without permission. **Reply received:** Football pitch not available therefore used the park for youngsters as nowhere else to go until parents picked them up. Clerk instructed to send an invoice to GLK for damage caused to the goal mouth.
2. NCC Highways – deep pothole in Lower Road – request urgent repairs
3. E.ON street lighting repairs – PL 30, Milton Court, & PL 33 & 34 High Street reported out
4. Stryker – request to purchase children’s defibrillator pads.

8. FINANCE:

Bank Balances	Current A/C	£200.00	
	Savings A/C	£43782.51	£43982.51
Funds held in the savings a/c	a) Park Account	£17712.06	
	b) Rail Freight Account	£4885.00	
	c) Reserve Fund	£8,000.00	
	d) Future Parish Council Elections	£1,500.00	£32,097.06
Money Received	* Axa Insurance – new light	£2823.15	

Accounts to be paid

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

Cheque No	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2280	HMRC	Clerks PAYE	66.20		66.20
2281	E.ON	Lighting supply	208.07	10.40	218.47
2282	E.ON	Lighting maintenance	174.32	34.86	209.18
2283	R .Fletcher	Bus shelters & bushes	190.00		190.00
2284	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	264.22	47.14	311.36
2285	Marcus Young Landscapes	Emptying dog bins	110.40	262.08	1572.48

Finance Group Meeting Report

- Discussion took place regarding the budget & precept setting on Friday 10th January 2020
- Recommendations to the Council
 - a) Draft Budget paper sent to all Members prior to Full Council meeting on Tuesday 14th January 2020
 - b) Recommended precept to cover the increased costs & work load in 2020/2021 £26,500.00
 - c) To note, an additional £5,000.00 to be put into the Village Park account to support new play equipment and repairs to existing equipment as well as maintenance of the Park.
 - d) An additional £2,500.00 to be added to the Reserve fund to help with the possible cost of new/ replacement of street lighting
 - e) B. Sumpton, Lead Finance member, talked the meeting through the reasoning behind increasing the precept. The increase in lighting supply, & the additional works the Council may be asked to undertake. Consideration to be given to replacing the seesaw.
 - f) The budget & precept requirement was agreed by all.

9. PLANNING

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
S/2019/2036/FUL	60 Green Street	Alterations	PC No objections
S/2019/2482/FUL	27 Stockwell Road	Chalet bungalow with parking & dropped kerb + additional parking for 27 Stockwell Rd.	PC Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In principal the PC has no objections to the application, but Members would query the over development of the site.

Ashfield Land / Rail Central SRFT

- Nothing to report

Roxhill J15 SRFT

- The Stop Roxhill Group is to be disbanded. Any remaining funds will be transferred to the Stop Rail /central Group
- The Capacity Report for the West Coast mainline still awaited. Andrea Leadsom MP has been asked to make enquiries.

To note: 2 people have been seen in the fields behind Stockwell. It is understood they were undertaking an archaeological survey.

10. OTHER PARISH MATTERS

• **Community & Environment**

a) **Village Park** – play equipment check report from B. Jenks

- * Seesaw is loose moving sideways at central point. White washer on side has moved. Clerk to make price of new seesaw enquiries from Wicksteed
 - * Wet pour under North sited swing is degrading
 - * More pellets needed under the single point tyre swing
 - * Crawl tunnel is missing 2 posts & gaps in between are being used as steps to get to the top. Soil is being eroded. Clerk to ask Allseasons to quote to repair the tunnel.
 - * Rabbit scrapings near baby swings in picnic area. Clerk to contact Heyford Moles
 - * Bushes need cutting back
 - * Both rubbish bins need emptying
- Conifers overhanging back footpath to the park. Household names to be sought.

- **Website** – Nothing to report

- **Newsletter** – Work starting on next edition

11. CLERK'S REPORT

- SNC Housing Department are interested to hear from PCs if there are any 'exception sites' in their Parishes. Reply from SNC received & forwarded on to PC Members. Item for February agenda

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at: 9.15 pm

12. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 11th February 2020, 7.30 pm

Signed: **Dated:**