

MILTON MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 8th September 2020, 7.30 pm
The meeting was held virtually

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

Meeting Host: Mr Simon Jones
Meeting Chairman: Mrs Janet Winchester

ATTENDING: NCC Cllr Adam Brown
Listening in: Mrs J. Treharne, Mrs A. Treharne

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 – No questions raised

- Members of the public are welcome to join the virtual meeting by logging onto the meeting invitation displayed on the PC notice board, Website & Face Book.
- Those attending and have a matter to raise with the Council, are asked to let the Clerk know before the meeting in order for the Chairman to call them to speak.
- Each speaker is allotted 3 minutes.

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

SNC Cllr K. Cooper (meeting), K. Flynn (holiday), N. Jagger

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

A. Skillen Workplace – Northants County Council

4. REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS & WARDENS:

NCC Cllr. Adam Brown:

- NCC finances – a small underspend is predicted this financial year.
- Covid 19 – keeping a close eye on national figures which appear to be creeping up again.
- 3 testing stations are up & running. There is a permanent one on the Northampton market square.
- Move to Unitary Authority – work progressing & there will be elections in May 2021 for Unitary, Parish & the Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner.

SNC Cllr. A. Addison, Cllr Karen Cooper

- New Chief Executive for the West Northants Unitary Council has been selected – Anna Earnshaw is currently the Director of Adult Services at NCC & is the NCC Deputy Chief Executive. Her post starts on 1st October 2020.
- New West Northants Authority Head of Finance & S151 Officer appointed – Martin Henry is currently the Head of finance & S151 officer at SNC and is the interim finance officer for the shadow authority.

- Cllr Addison sat on the Members interview panels for the posts of Chief Executive, and S151/Finance officer.
- Cllr Cooper Chaired the Members interview panel for the Director of Adult Social Services.
- All three interview panels were impressed by the applicant's depth of experience, knowledge of their subject & professionalism.
- Cllr Cooper brings to the attention of Parish Councils this year's tree planting scheme which runs from November to March. For small planting schemes Parish Councils should get in touch with the Woodland Trust who run a community tree pack scheme. Packs are between 15 & 420 trees and are free. The Trust is now accepting applications for delivery of trees next March (2021).

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

These had been previously circulated and were duly proposed, seconded and signed by the Chairman as a correct record, with typing errors corrected.

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

- **Highways**
 - a) Gigaclear
 - * Request for the team to clear up the rubbish & mess left behind particularly in Green Street.
 - b) Highway maintenance & fault report
 - * Request for drains along Towcester Road to be cleared before winter rains, due to the resurfacing works.
- **Lighting**
 - a) Fault repairs
 - * PL 5 reported
 - * Shield requested for PL34 outside 45 High Street.
- **Village Maintenance**
 - a) Park gate & fence repairs to be undertaken on 12th September 2020.
 - b) Request to Allseasons to cut back the nettles & overgrowth along the path to the rear gate.
 - c) Play equipment inspection report & repairs by Wicksteed – acknowledgement received.
 - d) Notice erected at park – 4 bay swings cordoned off due to broken cross bar.
 - e) School defibrillator – adult pads purchased & installed.
- **Remembrance Sunday**
 - a) Discussion with Peter Heffron regarding outdoor War Memorial service only. He will arrange for parishioners / service personnel to lay wreaths.
 - b) Request for PC to purchase a poppy wreath, road closure signs & Last Post arrangements.
- **Compass Public House**
 - a) Renovations – none undertaken to date.
 - b) Jitty barriers – still not removed. Clerk to contact NCC again.
 - c) It is noted that there is an abandoned vehicle on private land to the rear of the pub.
- **Neighbourhood Watch**
 - a) Thanks to Katie Spruels offering to take on the co-ordinator roll.
 - b) 7 Members.
 - c) 2 new signs given to install.

7. CORRESPONDENCE – Received & Sent

Received from

1. PC Insurance cover renewed. AXA through Came & Co.
2. Mr Caswell – concerns regarding the work being undertaken on the M1. Trees being taken down with no notice given to residents.
3. Cut Above – delay in work at the village park due to storm condition.
4. NCC Highways – Towcester Road to be surface dressed.

Sent to

1. SNC – query regarding the screening of live football. **Reply received:** Live screening does not need a licence. However, recorded matches would need a TENS licence. If marquees are of a temporary nature, no permission is needed.
2. Highways England – query regarding the felling of trees along the M1. **Reply received:** work due to smart motorway works.
3. MB Tree Surgery – accept quote to crown lift trees & remove broken branch in Chestnut Close & crown lift the tree on the small green in Green Street.
4. Milton Malsor Primary School – request to replace the defibrillator backing board – work completed.
5. Collingtree PC – Milton Malsor PC welcomes visitors to the village park, but reminds visitors there is a NO DOGS policy in place.
6. SNC – request for a new Stockwell Road sign.
7. Came & Co PC Insurer – further set of seat quotes sent.
8. Defib Pads – adult replacement pads ordered, received & replaced in school defibrillator.

8. FINANCE:

Bank Balances	Current A/C	£200.00
	Savings A/C	£35,417.49
Funds held in the savings a/c	a) Park Account	£15,133.93
	b) Rail Freight Account	£4,885.00
	c) Reserve Fund	£8,000.00
	d) Future Parish Council Elections	£1,500.00

Accounts to be paid

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

Cheque No	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
August					
2327	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	66.60		66.60
September					
2328	E. ON	Lighting supply	208.07	10.40	218.47
2329	Information Comm.	Data Protection	40.00		40.00
2330	SNAST	Neighbourhood Watch	20.00		20.00
2331	MB Tree Surgery	Low Rd. Tree works	200.00		200.00
2332	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	266.73	44.06	310.79
2333	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	66.60		66.60
2334	P. Winchester	Printing ink & paper	51.69		51.69
2335	Wicksteed Leisure	Play equipment inspection	120.00	24.00	144.00
2336	Came & Company	2020/2021 Insurance	1409.77		1409.77
2337	Allseasons	Grass mowing	655.00	131.00	786.00
2338	R. Fletcher	Churchyard mowing & weeds	130.00		130.00
2339	A. Addison	Defibrillator pads	61.50	12.30	73.80
2340	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services	66.00		66.00
2341	E. ON	Lighting supply	208.07	10.40	436.94
2342	M & B Tree Surgery	Small Green tree works	150.00		150.00
2343	Simon Jones	Website Zoom ¼ ly fees	43.17		43.17

- **Audit Matters:**

- All end of year accounts sent to the external auditors, PKF Littlejohn.
- Acknowledgement received. Accounts now on waiting list to be audited.

9. PLANNING

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
S/2020/0599/MAO	Lower Road	Outline application for up to 65 dwellings, outside the village confines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council objects strongly to the application • Additional information suggesting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic calming for Lower Road • Traffic calming for Towcester Road • NHS state there is no capacity at surrounding surgeries for the additional population • Request for updates on the application made to case officer. • Case Officer now Sam Dix
S/2020/1387/FUL S/2020/1388/LBC	Milton Manor	Single storey detached wooden garage	PC no objections
S/2020/1425/FUL	17 Rectory Lane	Detached garage	PC no objections
S/2020/0889/FUL S/2020/0780/FUL	Stone Gables	2 storey side extension Erection of garden room	SNC approval SNC approval

To Note:

- **New Planning Guidelines from Central Government**

- The Country is to be divided into three types of land
 - Areas designated for growth
 - Areas earmarked for renewal
 - Area earmarked for protection

SEGRO Logistics Park & J15 SRFT

- Community Liaison Group meeting on 21st July 2020.
- Protocol established.
- Meetings will be convened, services & Chaired by Segro, & will be held in a venue provided by Segro.
- General agreement that 2 members from each PC could attend.
- Roade bypass discussed. It must be completed within the earliest of 2 years of occupation of the first warehouse or 4 years from the commencement of work at M1 J15.

- Trains – capable of accommodating at least 4 trains a day. The RFT will be built & available from the start of occupation, & the timing of when trains start will be driven by market & occupier requirement. Long term the site could see up to 16 trains per day.
- HGV traffic – once redevelopment is fully operational by 2031, there could be up to 4,000 HGV movements associated with J15 per day.
- Other items discussed included public transport, rights of way, Knock Lane/Blisworth Road, employees parking in Collingtree.

Rail Central

- Information received on 8/9/20 – RSK Consultants are spending the week in the area carrying out a survey on badger sets & activity, in the fields in between Milton Malsor & Blisworth.
- Clerk has written to SNC’s Denis Winterbottom & SNC Development Management asking if they have any further information.

10. OTHER PARISH MATTERS

- Motocross
 - a) First meeting held on Sunday, 6th September.
 - b) Concern regarding parking issues. Note to be put onto facebook page.
- The Leys Field
 - a) Large branches have fallen off a TPO tree & need clearing.
 - b) Tom Fromont, Farmer to be contacted.
- Park litter bins – need clearing. Clerk to contact M. Young
- Blisworth Surgery – Clerk to enquire when Milton residents can apply for flu vaccinations.
- Park goal posts – concern regarding a split in the wooden posts. Clerk to ask Allseasons the cost of replacing the posts.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at: 9.23 pm.

- c) **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, 13th October 2020, 7.30 pm

Signed: **Dated:**