

North Cerney Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING on 13th May 2019 at 8.15 pm at The Memorial Hall, North Cerney

Present: Councillors Mark Tufnell, Cathy Martin, Nigel Wilkes, Adam Stoten, and
3 Clare Cannock, County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson, Barry Koch as RFO and
parishioners

Presiding: Councillor M Tufnell

Clerk: V Hancock

Apologies: District Councillor Jenny Forde

1. Election of Officers

1.1 **Election of Chairman:** Councillor Wilkes proposed and the Council **resolved** unanimously that Councillor Tufnell be re-elected as Chairman.

1.2 **Election of Vice Chairman:** Councillor Tufnell proposed and the Council **resolved** unanimously that Councillor Stoten be elected as Vice Chair.

1.3 **Election of RFO:** The Council **resolved** unanimously that Barry Koch be re-appointed as Responsible Financial Officer (RFO)

1.4 **Appointment of Internal Auditor:** The Council **resolved** unanimously that Sara Telling be re-appointed as Internal Auditor

2.1 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 4th March 2019

The Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4th March 2019 at The Memorial Hall, North Cerney be approved and signed.

2.2 Matters Arising:

The Clerk reported that the North Cerney telephone kiosk had been adopted, and the telephone equipment had been removed. She had the paint kit provided by BT and volunteers were needed to renovate it. Councillors Martin and Stoten offered to assist. A litter pick had been carried out in March

The police had confirmed they were pursuing the issue of the dog attacks in Woodmancote.

No reply had been received from Bathurst Estates regarding the footpath to Rendcomb. A resident reported that this was now in better condition.

Councillor Stoten reported that the school bell had been repaired at a cost of £168.90. It was **resolved** that the Council would pay the full cost.

3. District and County Issues:

These had been dealt with at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Councillor Martin said that cars were going straight over the junction of the Calmsden road and The Whiteway. Councillor Hodgkinson would ask that the signage and white lines be improved.

Councillor Tufnell said there was flooding at the junction of the Fosse Way and the road to Calmsden.

4. Financial Matters

4.1 **The Annual Governance Statement** was completed and it was **resolved** that it be signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

4.2 **The Annual Accounting Statements for 2018/19** were presented by the RFO and it was **resolved** that they be approved.

4.3 **Reconciliation Statement:** The reconciliation statement for the current year was presented by the RFO, and it was **resolved** that it be approved.

4.4 **Authorisation of Expenditure:** The following expenditure was approved:

Sovereign	Balance of playground equipment cost	1709.12
GAPTC	Annual membership subscription	137.43
BHP	Annual insurance	722.54
Playsafety Limited	RoSPA Playground inspection	86.40
Village Hall	Hire of hall	23.75

5. Highway Issues

The Clerk had been notified that Chedworth Road Withington would be closed for resurfacing, but this work was currently postponed.

No other issues save as mentioned in Councillor Hodgkinson's report to this meeting and the annual Parish Meeting.

6. Planning Applications and Tree Preservation Orders

6.1 **Planning Applications:** All the applications notified related to approval of conditions in existing planning consents, relating to South Barn Calmsden, Scrubditch Farm and The Red Sheds.

6.2 **Decisions and Notices:** the following had been approved:.

Calmsden Barn: Replacement of conservatory with a garden room

Conditions in existing planning consents relating to the Affordable Housing site, Scrubditch Farm, The Red Sheds and South Barn Calmsden.

Councillor Martin mentioned that the sycamore tree near the allotments was now very big and could cause problems. The Clerk would raise this with Bathurst Estates,

7. Woodmancote Playground:

7.1 **New Equipment:** The Clerk reported that the Buzz Playtower was due to be installed on 16 May. Arrangements had been made for the gate to be unlocked, and Les Cairns would provide the security fencing.

7.2 **RoSPA Report:** The Report had been circulated to the Councillors. Some minor remedial works were recommended, together with replacement of the "rocker bird".

8. Matters Arising from the Annual Parish Meeting:

There were none

9. **Co-Option of Additional Councillors:** There were currently two vacancies on the Council, and there were none resident in Woodmancote. The Clerk would invite applications in Churn News, and priority would be given to those from Woodmancote.

10. Correspondence:

The following correspondence was reported by the Clerk:

10.1 An invitation from Cirencester Housing Association to a Golden Brick event at the

affordable housing site on 23 May. Three Councillors and the Clerk would be attending.

10.2 From Jason Gibbons of Bromford housing introducing himself as the housing Manager for North Cerney.

10.3 An enquiry regarding the removal of the telephone kiosk in Woodmancote

10.4 A request for a donation from Great western Air Ambulance

10.5 Notification from Cotswold District Council that the garden waste service would be changing. This was subject to consultation, and might be changed by the new Council.

Councillor Wilkes had received a complaint about dog waste. The Clerk would put a note in Churn News again asking dog walkers to clear up after their dogs.

11. Any Other Business:

11.1 The Clerk asked if an improved notice board could be obtained for Woodmancote.

11.2 Councillor Stoten asked if the Council could provide litter-picking equipment and this was agreed.

11,3 It had been suggested to the Clerk that another bench might be provided on the village green, to replace the one that had been removed because it could not be repaired.

12. Date and Time of the Next Meetings:

The next meeting would be held on Monday 29 July 2019 at 7.30 pmin the Memorial Hall, North Cerney.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Signed: