

ROCKINGHAM PARISH MEETING

An annual assembly of Rockingham Parish Meeting took in the Village Hall at 7.30pm, on Wednesday 28 July 2021.

Those in attendance were:

Mr I Norman (Chairman)
Mr M Kingman
Mr J Douglas (King West)

Mr T Burbidge (Clerk)
Mr J Martin
Cllr D Sims (NNC)

Miss C Johnson
Mr D Norman
Cllr K Watt (NNC)

Apologies - These were received from Mr J Saunders Watson, Cllr M Nicholl (NNC), PC B Wilson.

Declarations of Interest – There were none

Welcome – The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Councillor David Sims, one of the parishes Councillors on North Northamptonshire Council (NNC).

2-1 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2021, having been circulated, were taken as read. Mr D Norman proposed, Mr M Kingman seconded, and the meeting agreed that the Chairman sign them.

2-2 MATTERS ARISING

2.1 Highways – Speed Camera Van – The meeting noted that the Speed Camera Van was in the village on a regular basis.

Speed Indicator Sign – It was agreed that the battery should be replaced in order that the sign would work.

Log on Verge – The meeting was advised that the Estate would look at removing it.

Speed Limit Sign – It was noted that the speed limit sign on Caldecott Road had been repaired.

17 Main Street – It was noted water was still pouring out of the verge from a drainage gully. It was agreed to report this to Street Doctor again.

6 Main Street – It was reported that there was a problem with excess water on the verge in front of 6 Main Street.

2.2 Police Matters – Crime – It was reported that PC Brad Wilson had advised that there had been no crimes reported in the village during June.

Drug Dealing - The meeting was advised that the Police were keeping an eye on suspected drug dealing in The Cottons/Michael's Walk.

Criminal Damage – It was reported that cars parked at Michael's Walk had been dented and had their tyres slashed. It was agreed to approach Orbit Housing Association about the possibility of CCTV being installed in the parking area.

Suspected Paedophile in Village – It was reported that the case had been passed to the CPS for consideration.

2.3 Bus Services – The meeting noted that the Welland Wanderer was not being used very often by anyone from the village.

It was agreed to enquire whether some of the Rutland Flyer services from Corby to Uppingham and Oakham could come via Rockingham on occasion.

2.4 Sondes Garages Wall - The meeting noted that a wooden fence had been erected to replace the wall which had collapsed. North Northamptonshire Council were looking investigating the matter as it is in the Conservation Area and the wall should be rebuilt. It was noted that the Estate were looking at the whole area.

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2-3 FINANCE

- 3.1 Payment of Accounts** – The meeting noted that payments amounting to £290.00 had been made, as listed in the attached schedule, required retrospective approval. Miss C Johnson proposed, Mr J Martin, and the meeting agreed the payments.

It was also noted that payments amounting to £250.00, as listed in the attached schedule, required approval. Mr M Kingman proposed, Mr D Norman seconded, and the meeting agreed the payments.

- 3.2 Internal Audit** – The meeting noted that the Internal Audit of the Parish Meeting's accounts had been satisfactorily completed

2-4 CORRESPONDENCE

- 4.1 Queen's Green Canopy** – It was noted that to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022, communities were being encouraged to plant trees and it was suggested that 70 trees be planted to celebrate the 70-year jubilee. It was agreed to contact Mr J Saunders Watson to see if this would be possible.

2-5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 5.1 Footpath to Gretton (GX2)** – It was reported that the public footpath to Gretton was blocked at the corner of the field behind The Cottons. The Estate agreed to look into the matter.

- 5.2 Cyclists on Hill Footpath** – It was reported that cyclists were using the footpath down the hill at speed and were a danger to any pedestrians. It was agreed to ask the Police to monitor the situation.

2-6 NEXT MEETING

The next parish meeting was arranged to take place on at **7.30 pm on Thursday 30 September** in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all for their attendance, and declared the meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS – 28 July 2021			
Payee	Date	Cheque No	Amount
S Morphy - grass cutting – 17/5/21 Inv 48	5/7/2021	100744	£135.00
S Morphy - grass cutting – 12/6/21 Inv 75	5/7/2021	100744	£115.00
J Hindle – internal audit	5/7/2021	100745	£40.00
S Morphy - grass cutting - 24/6/21 Inv 88	28/7/2021	100747	£115.00
S Morphy - grass cutting – 9/7/21 Inv 60	28/7/2021	100747	£135.00