

NORTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting

Held on: Monday, 5th September 2011 7.30pm

At: The Schoolroom of the Village Hall, Manor Road, Northorpe

Present: Councillors: B. Dunk, N. Montgomery (Chair Person)
P. Marasco (Vice Chair) L. Marasco and D. Challinor

Minutes: A Harrison (Parish Clerk)

The owner of Blyton Park Driving Centre attended at his request for the first part of the meeting. He explained he had a 30 year lease and 4 motor activities occurred on the site. There had been financial investment and facilities have been erected. The Centre is open 7 days per week. Published events can be viewed on the website. Night events have also occurred. The site has noise monitoring equipment and readings are taken. A complaint regarding the noise levels has been made. The visit was to inform councillors of the facility and answer any questions. The intention was to also visit other Parish Councils as there was acknowledgment that the racing activities did cause additional noise.

Action: AH to place details of the website in the Parish magazine to allow parishioners to have more information should they wish on the facility.

1/7/11 Apologises:

J Montgomery and L Wright

2/8/11 Declaration of interest

None

3/8/11 Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

Minutes agreed as a true and accurate record.

5/8/11 Playing Field Report – N Montgomery

The Parish Council has received a grant of approximately £38,000 awarded to the Northorpe Playing Field. N Montgomery has written to 6 companies and they have visited the park. They have provided a break down of work to be undertaken and cost involved. Final quotes have now been requested, and a decision on which company they go with needs to be decided.

Garden Angels have been asked by the Playing Field committee to provide a report before and after work is completed. This will be at a cost of £1000. Due

to N Montgomery's negotiation and as gesture of good will, they will cut the grass at no charge for a set period of time in addition to providing the report.

Action: NM will meet with Garden Angels and clarify the situation, and further inform will be brought to the Parish Council. To also request a letter from Garden Angels outlining the agreement.

6/8/11 Village Champions Report - B Dunk

BD gave LM contact names and information. She reported that the church wall work will commence very soon.

7/8/11 Correspondence

The distribution of information was discussed. It was agreed that it would start with DC, JM & NM, BD, LM & PM then LW and finally return to AH. It was hoped this would speed up the process.

An invite to a Civic Service on 9th October 2011 had been received with the offer of the chairperson attending.

A further wind farm application had also been received from WLDC, with a full planning application in 2012. No further action at present.

A separate WLDC wind farm DVD will be sent for information by NM.

Information on a change of polling district was shared; however there are no changes to be made to Northorpe.

Information on LALC distributed.

BD shared that a grant on Community Wildlife had been received and that she would send it on to the church for their information.

A booklet called Conduct of Local Authority members was brought to the meeting by BD. This was thought to be useful.

Action: BD offered to obtain further copies.

8/8/11 Planning

No applications received.

9/8/11 Payments made and outstanding

Payments made:

B. Dunk for £8.98 for weed killer

Grass cutting by Garden Angels:

30/4/11 £120 including VAT

31/5/11 £120 including VAT

30/6/11 £180 including VAT

31/7/11 £120 including VAT

A request to establish the amount in each account was made.

Action: AH to provide

12/7/11 Parish Magazine entries and Website

It was agreed to place information on the bonfire offered and Blyton Racing information. The other usual entries would be included.

13/8/11 AOB

The Good Councillors Guide, published by The Countryside Agency, was brought to the attention of other Council members and recommended by BD. She offered to loan it out.

Action: AH will see if she can obtain further copies

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Date, time and venue of next meeting

Date: Monday November 7th 2011

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Old School Room

Please note the new date and time:

Date: Wednesday November 9th 2011

Time: **6.30pm**

Venue: Old School Room