

Norton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting Held on the 30th of November 2016 at 7:30pm in Norton Village Hall

Present: Cllr Eirwyn Jenkins - in the Chair
Cllr Colin Edwards
Cllr Graham Garbutt
Cllr David Rolls

In Attendance:

Borough Cllrs David Waters and Mark Williams
One Parishioner

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Steve Norgate

2. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

There were none.

3. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th September 2016.

The Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 28th of September 2016 and they were signed as a true record.

4. Matters Arising not on this agenda.

The chair reminded the members that the opportunity to comment on the parliamentary boundary changes closes on the 5th of December. Cllr Water informed the council that a similar exercise is to take place in the Borough Council.

5. To receive reports:

- a. County Councillor Report.
No County Councillor present
- b. Borough Councillor.
Nothing to report at this stage of the agenda
- c. Members.
No report presented.

Police Report – internet only now at <https://www.police.uk/gloucestershire/DA5/>

6. Planning Matters:

- a. **To receive an update Public Inquiry into the Red Lion Caravan Park**
The Public Inquiry will be held on the 22nd of December at 10:00 am in the Tewkesbury Borough Council Offices.

b. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

Draft plan has been sent to Tewkesbury Borough Council for consideration. They have promised some feedback by the NDP meeting on the 20th of December to arrange the consultation process.

c. To receive an update on the Joint Core Strategy (JCS)

Cllr Waters updated the Council on the JCS. Tewkesbury Borough Council had passed a resolution to consider a plan without the Twigworth part of the Twigworth and Innsworth strategic allocation. Officers are working to find alternatives especially with the loss of the Ashchurch MOD site.

d. Councillors views on the latest housing needs survey

Cllr Garbutt presented a paper on the Housing Needs Survey. The Councillors stressed that they recognised the need for affordable homes but questioned the validity of the survey, especially when the conclusion added the results of the original and updated survey together to reach the required number of affordable homes. The council agreed to arrange a meeting with Two Rivers Housing to be briefed on affordable housing. Graham Garbutt to pursue.

e. To receive an update on planning applications:

6/00949/FUL- erection of a first storey side extension with balcony at Pegmore, Church Lane, Norton – permit

16/01201/FUL – Old Vicarage Norton – ‘no adverse comments’ recorded.

16/00681/APP - Brookelands – Reserve matters – approved.

7. To receive an update on the Defibrillator. (Report tabled from Cllr Steve Norgate)

The seminar held on 5th October to explain the value and use of the parish defibrillator was well attended by members of the community. The agreement reached at the parish meeting of 23rd March was that the equipment should be acquired on a lease basis. Since then it has transpired that purchasing the equipment is a far more cost effective option that will result in significant savings for the parish. On that basis, the equipment has been purchased and the council is requested to note this change.

8. To receive an update on the discussion on the gateway on the A38 leading to a speed restriction. (Report tabled from Cllr Steve Norgate)

A site meeting was held on 11th November between representatives of Down Hatherley Parish, residents living on the A38 north of Broadclose Road, Gloucestershire Highways and Councillor Norgate representing Norton Parish Council. Requests had been made by the residents to reduce the

speed limit from 50 to 40mph, install double white lines to prevent overtaking and erect 'gateway' signs. Richard Waters of Gloucestershire Highways explained how a lowering of the limit was inappropriate and that painting double white lines was not possible. However, the concerns of the residents were acknowledged so that the centre of the road will have some red surface treatment markings and a Down Hatherley 'gateway' will be installed at the parish boundary.

9. Finance

- a. To approve the spending of £200 as Norton's share of the consultant fees for the NDP – approved.
- b. To approve payments detailed in the finance report - approved.
- c. To receive and adopt the Finance Report adopted. The report was adopted. It was requested that the latest bank balance was included in future reports.

10.**Clerk.** – review at the next meeting

11. AOB.

12.**Parishioners questions.**

Date of the Next Meeting: 25th of January 2017.

Signed:

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