

# Minutes of Norton Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7:30pm

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**Present:** Cllr Eirwyn Jenkins Chairman  
Cllr Steve Norgate  
Cllr David Rolls

**In Attendance:** Borough Cllr Mark Williams and one Parishioner

## **1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Graham Garbutt and Colin Edwards and also from Borough Cllr David Walters and County Cllr Phil Awford

## **2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA**

There were none.

## **3. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

The Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July 2016 and they were signed as a true record.

## **4. MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THIS AGENDA**

There were none.

## **5. TO RECEIVE REPORTS:**

### **i. County Councillors Report.**

None

### **ii. Borough Councillors Report.**

Cllr Mark Williams updated the Council on the Joint Core Strategy. Possibility of 1,300 homes now in Twigworth. TBC will meet on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October to discuss the strategy.

### **iii. Members Reports:**

The Chairman reported that the clerk has resigned his position and we are now managing, for the time being, without a clerk. We need to consider how we proceed with appointing another clerk. The new website is up and running and it is getting quite a few hits. Any ideas and comments would be gratefully received.

The Chairman recently attended a flood wardens evening at TBC. They have been running for a while but only recently he was not informed of their existence He has also attended a Multi-Agency meeting in Shire Hall. This is the police force consultation meeting with regards to the TB

badger cull. He was the only representative of Parish Councils at the meeting

**iv. Village Hall:**

NRFC application for a club (bar) licence for the Village Hall was granted by TBC licencing committee on the 1<sup>st</sup> September. This is for members only or signed in guests. A guest can only be signed in five times. Parishioners can become social club members. Refurbishment is ongoing and new AV systems has been installed in the hall and committee room. New doors will appear shortly.

**v. Police Report:**

It was noted that report can be accessed on the internet at <https://www.police.uk/gloucestershire/DA5/>. This address is on the Parish Website.

**6. Planning Matters:**

- i. To receive an update on the Red Lion Caravan Park**  
Awaiting the Date of the Public Hearing.
- ii. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan.**  
Draft plan has been passed on to Phil Staddon, planning consultant, for comments.
- iii. To receive an update on the Joint Core Strategy.**  
See Borough Councillor's report
- iv. Planning – 16/00870/CLE – Norton fruit Farm – Elliot's Hairdressing Salon.**  
A Certificate of Lawfulness for the use of the building as a hairdressing salon at Norton Fruit Farm has been Granted
- v. To comment on planning application - 16/00904/OUT Chestnut Farm Twigworth and its impact on Norton.**  
Over a 100 housed proposed just off and feeding into Sandhurst Lane. It is on the edge of the floodplain. Agreed to raise concerns about the effect of extra traffic generated by the development on the Parishioners of Norton and the surrounding area.
- vi. Councillors thoughts on proposed affordable homes development on Wainlode Lane, after the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September.**  
Councillors agreed that there was need for affordable homes and downsizing opportunities in They felt that the true feeling of the Parish may not have been reflected in the meeting and Councillors should seek further feedback from the village. They will continue to investigate alternate sites.
- vii. 6/00949/FUL- erection of a first storey side extension with balcony at Pegmore, Church Lane, Norton.**  
No objection

## **7. To receive an update on the Defibrillator.**

A seminar is to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October, at 7:30pm, in the Village Hall. It will be advertised in Norton News and a leaflet 'You only have minutes to save a life' will be circulated with it. Also advertised in Seven Towers magazine and the website.

## **8. Discuss the request for a gateway on the A38 leading to a speed restriction.**

Councillor Norgate has produced a response to Down Hatherley Parish Council outlining the regulations governing such matters and success or not of gateways in such situations. Full response attached.

## **9. Finance**

### **a. To approve payments in accordance with the budget.**

Payments were approved to:

- i. HMRC of £122.40
- ii. Membership of GRCC of £25.00
- iii. Website hosting at the cost of £39.99
- iv. Clerks final salary - £126.68

It was reported that the insurance policy has been re-negotiated resulting in substantial saving to the PC

### **b. To receive a budget v expenditure report.**

An up to date cash book was circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting together with a financial summary up to the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. The chair reported that he is awaiting a copy of the Bank statement for August to finish reconciling the accounts.

## **10. Councillor Training.**

It was agreed to send two Councillors to the planning training event, to be held at the RAU in Cirencester on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **11. AOB.**

Cllr Mark Williams reported that proposed boundary commission change will move Norton from the existing Tewkesbury constituency to the West Gloucestershire Constituency. More details can be viewed at <https://www.bce2018.org.uk/> And enter our post code.

## **12. Parishioners questions.**

None

Date of the Next Meeting: 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2016.