**NEWTON SOLNEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - 9th JUNE 2023 - MINUTES**

Only three parish councillors were in attendance - therefore the meeting was not quorate and that no decisions could be made

Cllr. D. Muller advised that he had been told that the number of police employed was to be increased. He hoped that this would enable for police attendance at parish council meetings as they used to do. He and our Newton Solney councillors gave examples of lack of police action regarding drug sites, illegally parked vehicles etc. The chairlady will be writing to the police authority asking for police attendance at our meetings and detailing lack of action following complaints.

Nothing to report regarding the proposed Freeport.

He asked if there had been any progress on a number of subjects that had been referred to him. Bus stop opposite “Unicorn Inn” -dropped kerb pavement access for disabled. No change

 Speed Survey - it was suggested that we ask Repton Parish Council if their speed watch team could help - Cllr. K. Haines may assist in requesting.

 Dangerous trees - Pollarding on Church Lane - The Clerk was asked to contact Derbyshire CC to ask for a copy of the work schedule for tree work in Newton Solney.

 If the dangerous trees are on the list it would mean that if there was a claim regarding one of the trees then DCC would be liable.

Positioning of barrels - Cllr. K. Makin Wall advised that all the forms regarding siting had been submitted - awaiting approval

Present. Cllr. D. Smith (chairlady}, Cllr. G. Tully, Cllr. K. Makin Wall, Cllr. D. Muller and R. Parker (clerk)

1/6/23 To receive apologies for absence

 Apologies received from Cllr. K. Haines, Cllr. S. Kelsey, Cllr.G. Fenlon, Cllr. L.Charles, Cllr. P. Dutton.

2/6/23 Variation in order of business

None

3/6/23 Declaration of members interest

None

4/6/23 Grant for barrier

 No further progress

5/6/23 Traffic calming through village

 It was suggested that we ask Repton Council for help as they have a speed awareness team.

6/6/23 CCTV

 No further progress

7/6/23 Dropped kerb at bus stop

 Cllr. D. Muller has agreed to make enquiries

8/6/23 To consider various items of the non-exempt minutes of the meeting held on

 12th May 2023. Acceptance proposed by Cllr. G. Tully and seconded by Cllr. K.

 Makin Wall.

9/6/23 To determine which items if any of part 1 of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

 None

10/6/23 To receive the Clerks report.

 The Clerk reported that he had claimed repayment of the VAT paid in the year

 to 31st March 2023. He also confirmed he had contacted Qualsafe

 (defibrillator supplier} who had detailed the cost of a new similar defibrillator

 to be either £1160 or £1450 against the cost of a new battery/pads at £381.00

 The councillors asked the clerk to ask qualsafe if they could send their

 employee to do the installation.

 There will be a raft race on the river on Saturday 10th June 2023

11/6/23 To receive the Chairladies Report

 The chairlady detailed the children’s play days on the recreation field

 Play Mobile 27/7/23 10.00-12.00 noon

 Adventure Mobile 1/8/23 2.00-4.00 pm

 Sports mobile 16/8/23 10.00-12.00 noon

 The organisers have requested that someone meet them at the gate approximately 30 minutes before start time The chairlady will ask Cllr.

 Dutton.

 We now have to pay for the repairs/maintenance of the existing play equipment on the recreation field. SDDC will arrange for the repairs and will not be adding anything for their trouble. Further costing information has been requested.

12/6/23 To receive the Councillors report

 Cllr. G. Tully reported that the front lawn of the Newton Park Hotel had been mowed. He also mentioned a complaint from a resident regarding a mess being left by the dustmen

13/6/23 Planning applications and decisions

 Felling of Eucalyptus tree - 53 Main Street, Newton Solney - No objection

 New opening and air source heat pump - 3 The Mews, Newton Park - No

 Objection.

14/6/23 Cemex

 No further progress

15/6/23 Shed and orchard

 Being dealt with by Cllr. L. Charles

16/6/23 Tree Report

 See comments on dangerous trees earlier in this report

17/6/23 Website update

 No further information

18/6/23 Village in Bloom

 East Midlands in Bloom - 7th July 2023 at 11.00 am

 National Village in Bloom - 31st July 2023 at 10.30am

 All arrangements are well in hand

19/6/23 Pillbox info board

 Cllr. K. Makin Wall is dealing with wording to put on board

20/6/23 Assets of community value

 No further progress

21/6/23 Five a side football

 No further information

22/6/23 Village coronation tree

 All arrangements are well in hand

23/6/23 Dangerous trees

 All affected trees are being dealt with

24/6/23 Fencing quotes - recreation ground

 Built Fencing £3300

 Central Fencing £2475

25/6/23 Approval and signing of cheques

 R.Parker Salary £110.55

 R.Parker Allowable expenses £ 19.50

 R. Parker Grass Mowing £240.00

 G. Wall Lengthsman £269.49

 DALC Annual membership £321.43

 Garden Serv. American Oak £325.00

As the meeting was not quorate the Clerk will contact all councillors asking them to put forward any objections to any payments within three days.

The next parish council meeting is scheduled for Friday 14th July 2023

or Friday 14th July 2023