NEWTON SOLNEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - 14th APRIL 2023 - MINUTES

Cllr. K. Haines mentioned the forthcoming local plan. It is still being discussed. The number of outstanding planning applications is lessening. The Freeport has now moved on a further step following being formally approved Cllr. A. Churchill reminded parishioners that if they intend to vote in the coming elections that they will require some form of photographic evidence to prove their identity. This can be a passport or a driving license even if they have lapsed. It is recommended that failing photographic evidence potential voters should contact SDDC for assistance.

Present:- Cllr. D. Smith, Cllr. G. Tully, Clr. L. Charles, Cllr. D. Fenlon, Cllr. K. Makin Wall, Cllr. S. Kelsey, Cllr. K. Haines and Cllr. A. Churchill, R. Parker (clerk)

**1/4/23 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllr. P. Dutton and Cllr. D. Muller

**2/4/23 Variation in order of business**

None

**3/4/23 Declaration of members interest**

None

**4/4/23 Grant for barrier**

No further progress

**5/4/23 Traffic Calming through Village**

Being dealt with by Cllr. D. Muller

**6/4/23 CCTV**

Discussion delayed for one month

**7/4/23 To consider various items of the non-exempt minutes of the meeting held on 10th March 2023**

Acceptance proposed by Cllr. L. Warner and seconded by Cllr. S. Kelsey. Unanimous

**8/4/23 To determine which items if any of part one of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded .** If the council decide to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following term:- That under section 100(A) of the Local Governments Act 1972 the public will be excluded from the meeting during the business set out in the agenda item(s). (To be specified by the council) on the grounds that if (they) likely involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the report(s) or otherwise defined at the meeting

**9/4/23 To receive the Clerks Report.**

The Clerk advised that the Parish Council had received the grant of £1455 towards the history board

**10/4/23 To receive the Chairmans report**

None

**11/4/23 To receive reports from Parish Councillors**

Cllr. G. D. Fenlon had received an enquiry from a parishioner regarding a boundary fence on Blacksmiths Lane which appears to have been constructed in contravention to some aged deeds. Cllr. K. Haines offered to make enquiries and suggested that if any parishioners would like to discuss it they should contact her. This cannot be dealt with by the Newton Solney Parish Council but should be passed on to the district councillor - Kerry.haines@south derbyshire.gov.uk

Cllr. D. Fenlon also asked if any of the councillors were aware of a local list of assets of communal value. This might be useful if a possible valued item within the parish was in danger of being taken over. It was agreed that the councillors should make enquiries and it will be discussed at the next meeting.

Cllr. G. Tully reported that the neighbourhood watch list on the parish website needs updating as some of the persons listed are no longer resident.

Cllr. K. Makin Wall had received a complaint from a resident that a dog walker was regularly allowing the dog to deposit on the pavement. It was suggested that the clerk gave the dog warden the necessary information to enable the problem to be sorted

**12/4/23 Planning applications and decisions**

American Oak, Village Green No objection

Replacement garage - 4 The Close.

Cllr. D. Smith had received a complaint from a resident of Newton Park estate saying he felt that one of the nearby houses (ex Cartright residence) was taller than it had permission to be. Cllr. K. Haines promised to check it.

**13/4/23 Cemex**

A letter had been received from Cemex which not promising anything seemed quite hopeful

**14/4/23 Grant Application for History Board, Shed and Orchard**

Grant received. Shed and orchard being dealt with

**15/4/23 Additional play equipment**

Being dealt with by Cllr. P. Dutton

**16/4/23 Tree report**

Application for work to American oak has been submitted. 2 dead trees on Trent Lane, and trees on Church Lane need pollarding. Clerk to contact Matlock.

**17/4/23 Village in Bloom**

It was suggested that the Parish Council should give the Village in Bloom judges some refreshments on the date of the judging - unanimous agreement

**18/4/23 Lengthsman**

Mr. G. Wall had already started some of his duties of lengthsman and has done an excellent job.

**19/4/23 Coronation of King Charles 3**

All arrangements are well in hand. A grant has been approved for the hire of the village hall

**20/4/23 Nominative trustee for Percy Ratcliff Almshouse**

We have advised the almshouses details of our nominative trustee - Mr. G. Wall.

He is arranging to go on a days training course - to learn how to be a good trustee

**21/4/23 Pill box info board**

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

**22/4/23 Playground Maintenance**

The Clerk was asked to liaise with SDDC and make the necessary arrangements

**23/4/23 Dropped kerb at bus stop**

The Clerk had submitted a written request for the work.. He will follow up with a reminder

**24/4/23 Village coronation tree**

Cllr. K. Makin Wall is making arrangements for a suitable sized/shaped tree be planted at either end of the village

R. Parker Salary £110.55

R. Parker Allowable expenses £19.50

Inland Revenue Income tax £331.68

SDDC Empty dog bins £ 66.92

Reflex Posters £144.38

Approval proposed of cheques by Cllr. L. Warner and seconded by Cllr.S Kelsey

The next parish council meeting is scheduled for 12th May 2023