

# Minutes of the meeting of Cossall Parish Council held on Tuesday 27th September 2022

## Present

Councillor Mrs M. Gilbert (Chair)  
Councillor Ms L. Hopkin  
Councillor J. Wheatley  
Councillor Mrs S. Wheatley  
Councillor J. Wilton  
Councillor K. Harrison  
Councillor Mrs E. Harrison  
Councillor Mrs L. Ball (Broxtowe Borough Council)  
Councillor D. Pringle (Broxtowe Borough Council)  
Councillor J. McGrath (Nottinghamshire County Council)

## Clerk

Mrs S.M. Bircumshaw

## 91/22 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor K. Rigby, Councillor D. Keating, Councillor Mrs S. Keating, Councillor D. Mason and PCSO P. Keeley (Police).

## 92/22 Declaration of interest

There were no Declarations of Interest made.

## 93/22 Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19 July 2022 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## 94/22 Public participation

There were no members of the public present.

## 95/22 Police report

PCSO Keeley had sent a Crime Report via email with statistics from 1 June – 25 September 2022 and the same period in 2021.

Violence against a person with injury	1	1	(0)
Violence against a person no injury	1	4	(-3)
Stalking/Harassment	1	0	(1)

Burglary	1	0	(1)
Theft of motor vehicle	1	0	(1)
Theft from motor vehicle	1	1	(0)
Criminal Damage	6	0	(6)
Other crimes against society	1	0	(1)
Public Order offences	1	0	(1)
Anti-social Behaviour - Nuisance	4	4	(0)

## 96/22 County Councillor's report

Councillor McGrath reported that the traffic cameras on Awsworth Lane have been tested and there are no faults recorded. It was reported that there are overhanging branches, obscuring the orange light on one of the cameras; Councillor McGrath will report this to Dave Walker at the next monthly Highways meeting. The question was raised as to whether the two cameras are linked and if it would be possible to obtain the number of motorists who have been caught speeding by the cameras. Also, would it be possible to have a dummy camera installed on the straight stretch of Church Lane, just off Awsworth Lane / Coronation Road junction.

Other issues raised with Councillor McGrath were the faded road markings on Church Lane and also clarification that the drains on Church Lane have been cleaned. Councillor McGrath asked for a list of the issues needing to be raised with Dave Walker by 4 October.

Cllr Mrs will Forward list to Cllr McGrath

## 97/22 Borough Councillor's report

Councillor Mrs Ball reported that nothing has been found out about the Anthrax situation on the proposed building land in Awsworth. Numerous emails have been received from Jenny Nix of Newtons Lane regarding this and local residents have signed a petition. This petition needs forwarding to Councillors Mrs Ball and Pringle at Broxtowe Borough Council and Councillor McGrath at County. Once the petition is received it can be requested to be put forward at the next Planning meeting for tests to be carried out.

The planning application for The Gardeners Inn went to the last planning meeting and has been deferred for 3 months to see if anyone can come up with a viable business plan. Regarding the Coal Authority concerns, the three new houses that are under construction, adjacent to the pub, had an inspection done, but the planners had not requested one from the new owner of the pub. The Almshouses planning application will be brought before the Planning Committee next week and Councillor Mrs Gilbert will speak as a resident, Councillors Mrs Ball and Pringle will speak on behalf of the Borough Council. There is a site meeting on Wednesday 5 October at 2.30pm.

Cllr Mrs Gilbert will contact Jenny Nix for the petition.

*8.15pm Standing Orders commenced*

## 98/22 Items for discussion

### a) Church matters

Nothing to report.

## **b) Footpaths and pavements**

The overhanging vegetation on Coronation Road, Church Lane and Robinettes Lane has been cleared but the growth from the hedge bottoms is still encroaching over the pavements.

On Church Lane, from Millennium Park to the start of the houses, the pavement is breaking up very badly and in need of repair.

Councillor Mrs Wheatley reported that she had received a reply from LoveyourBroxtowe saying that the graffiti on the canal footpath has been cleaned up. However, that does not apply to all of the graffiti.

It was reported that part of a tree has come down across FP1 and into the canal.

The lamp post situation (modern post fitted at top of Church Lane to be swapped with the traditional lamp post at bottom of Church Lane) has still not happened. Councillor McGrath will be asked to look into this matter.

Harry's tree is dying due to lack of light from other trees around it being overgrown.

All vegetaion and broken pavement issues to be reported.

## **c) Roads/Traffic/Bikers**

The fading white lines on Church Lane have not been re-painted yet.

A new litter bin is needed at the bus stop on Coronation Road; Councillor Mrs Ball will enquire at Broxtowe.

It is thought that the drains on Church Lane have been cleared but will ask Councillor McGrath for clarification.

Councillor Wheatley reported that the manhole cover on Coronation Road has been marked up for repair.

Faded white road markings to be reported.

## **d) Almshouses**

Councillor Mrs Gilbert will speak at Broxtowe's Planning meeting as a resident, in favour of the plans. Councillors Mrs Ball and Pringle can speak on behalf of Broxtowe Council.

## **e) Renovation of church hall porch**

Councillor Wheatley reported that the work on the new porch door, small window and jobs at the Church will be started on 28 November. Councillor Wilton will paint the new doors and Councillor Wheatley will sort out the paint for this.

## **f) Floral planters**

The planters are looking lovely for the time of year. Councillors Harrison and Mrs Harrison were thanked for their choice of flowers. Councillor Mrs Harrison reported that they have purchased some tulip bulbs and once other things start to die off will get some more plants.

## **g) Notice boards**

Councillor Mrs Wheatley showed the mock-up of the board tops which are excellent. These will now be ordered.

Chris Gilbert is happy to re-do the notice board at Blackboards, which is starting to rot. He won't be able to start immediately; a reasonable budget will be allocated for Chris to carry out the necessary work.

## **h) RCAN**

Councillor Harrison reported that, unfortunately, we were unable to get a grant for the re-surfacing of the car park.

A project for Warm Hubs has been suggested, these are aimed at providing help for vulnerable people. Amigos Group will be asked if they know of anyone who needs help, also it may be a good idea to reach out to Street Link to ask if they know of anyone in the local area who needs help. This will be put in the next newsletter.

## **i) Neighbourhood Plan**

The statutory Consultee letters have gone out. There have been 3 replies already, all saying that they have no problems with the Plan. The 8 page leaflets have been printed and delivered. Councillors Harrison and Mrs Harrison have spoken to all the Businesses and have got some questions to put forward from them. A3 laminated maps (10) have been produced. The 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022 is the date for the Public Consultation.

## **j) Online housing course – 27 July noon-1.30pm**

Councillor Ms Hopkin reported that she did the course and it was very interesting but not sure if it was very relevant.

## **k) Newsletter**

The Newsletter went out in August. There are still some ideas from before which could be included next time. If anyone has any new ideas for topics for the next newsletter, please email to Councillor Mrs Gilbert.

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the various things that were done for the Mourning period and Funeral of the Queen.

## **l) Christmas**

Councillor Mrs Gilbert reported that she has been given a large fake tree. Do we want to do something with it in the village? Everyone to think about what to do and where it could be positioned. The tree is a fake green fir tree and stands about 3m tall.

## **99/22 Correspondence**

Thank you from the Amigos Group for the entertainer which has been organised for October.

NALC AGM 17 November 2022, Oxton Village Hall – 6.30pm Buffet, 7.30pm start. Anyone want to go?

Email from a local resident regarding horse manure on the roads through the village – makes the village look dirty and untidy.

## **100/22 Planning Applications**

Almshouses planning application will be heard at Planning Committee meeting next week.

## 101/22 Finance

Councillor Mrs Gilbert reported that the Website Hosting fee is due for renewal In November, at a cost of around £365 for 3 years (\$395.64). Russ Heard will be asked to sort this out and payment will be made to him in October.

Finance Meeting – the budget for confirmation at the meeting due to be held in November was discussed, including whether we can be in a position to provide emergency funding. It is not expected that we will be raising the Precept.

## 102/22 Accounts for Payment

The following accounts were approved for payment

Mrs S. Bircumshaw – Clerk’s Salary (Incl. £30 Finance Meeting)	449.00
Cossall PCC – Room Hire (27/9/22 + 10.5 hours)	150.00
Mr R Heard – Website Administration	45.00
Mr C. Gilbert – Summer Newsletter	105.00
Mr D. Gill – Entertainer for Amigos Group	100.00
Mrs S. Bircumshaw – Printing/Cartridges (Apr-Sept)	59.94
Mr C. Gilbert – Cleaning of Church Hall	20.00
Mr J. Wheatley – Panel/Pole for Display Boards	104.40
Mrs S. Bircumshaw – Phone Rental (Aug 22)	33.60
Mr C. Gilbert – Graphic Panel Design/Print/Fixings (4 Invoices – Locality Grant)	530.69
Mr C. Gilbert – Print 8 Page Leaflet/Draft N/P etc. (2 Invoices – Locality Grant)	355.00
Mrs M. Gilbert – Postage for Consultee Letters (Locality Grant)	8.16
Mrs E. Harrison – Food for Queen’s Funeral/Tulip Bulbs (3 Invoices)	55.39
Bank Charges and Fees	14.00
EON – Direct Debit – Church Floodlights	28.00

**Total £2,058.18**

Income since 19/07/22

Bank Interest £8.57

Locality Grant £7,999.00

**Total £8,007.57**

Balances @ Bank - August

Deposit A/C £27,582.99

Current A/C £459.45

Balances @ Bank – September

Deposit A/C £25,588.57

Current A/C £ 401.27

**Total £28,042.44**

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## 103/22 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council, will be held on Tuesday 18 October 2022, commencing at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.