

Newbold Astbury cum Moreton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 13th July 2022

Present:

Councillor J Critchlow (Chair)
Councillor N Barton
Councillor J Ward
Councillor B Jelf
Councillor P Critchlow
Councillor A Banks
Councillor M Bailey
Councillor P Redstone (Cheshire East)
Mrs V Marchant (locum clerk)

Declarations of Interest:

Councillor B Jelf – Walhill Lane

Public forum:

No members of the public were in attendance

Apologies:

Councillor I Parry – Work
Councillor R Lomas – Family
Councillor P Cliff – Work
Councillor N Sharman - Travel
Councillor N Plant (vice Chair) - Work
Councillor R Sutton

95/22 Minutes

The Parish Council were unable to approve the minutes from 8th June 2022. Minute ref no 93/22 is incorrect. It was agreed that Congleton Town Council should approach other options for delivery directly.

96/22 Accounts

The council noted the balance as of 01 July 2022: £23,916.63

Received since June 2022:

£6,642.00 Groundwork (Neighborhood Plan)

Payments to approve:

- £95.34 – Clerk, Defib Pads
- Locum Clerk fee (amount to be advised)

Resolved: The council approves the above payments

Payments to note:

- £375.84 Clerk Salary
- £32.22 Clerk Pension
- £138.48 Boundary Sign
- £146.60 Andrew Thomson
- £30.00 Internal Auditor
- £375.84 Clerk Salary
- £276.00 HMRC, PAYE

97/22 Planning Applications

22/2175C Greenways Cottage

It is noted that no Design and Access Statement has been submitted therefore the council recommends the application is re-submitted with the appropriate statement.

Resolved: The council objects to the application.

22/2483C Oak Tree Barn

Resolved: The council has no objection to the application.

22/2519C Mildmay Farm

It is not clear whether the change of exterior material is for the roof, walls, or both. If the application is to change the roofing material only the council offers no objection.

Resolved: The council has no objection to the application (on the above basis)

Great Moreton Hall

It is noted that planning approval has been granted on appeal. Councillor Redstone attended the hearing and advised that approval has been granted to demolish the old schoolhouses, rebuild the walled garden and to build 3 houses only, either in the garden or elsewhere on the estate.

98/22 Cheshire East

Councillor Redstone reported that installation of a refuge on the A50 has been given the go ahead.

99/22 Neighbourhood plan

Design code – To assist with compiling the design code the consultants will walk around both parishes taking into account important buildings, house styles etc to make sure that the code is a good fit with existing buildings.

Parish Questionnaire – Work continues on the questionnaire. It is agreed that the questionnaire needs approval by full council prior to printing.

Consultation response – It is agreed that full council needs to feed into the response.

A full progress review to be made at the next meeting.

100/22 Highways

Councillor Ward advised there has been a big improvement with the drains on Watery Lane.

It is noted that weed killing needs to be carried out along with footpath on the A34 from the Parish Boundary to Brownlow Heath Lane. **Action** – Clerk to obtain quotes

Traffic monitoring continues along Walhill Lane and the report is awaited.

101/22 Common Land

The committee will arrange to meet in August and discuss what to plant. Suggestions of wildflowers, daffodils and bluebells will be considered. Councillor Ward will bring the seed catalogue to the next meeting for the working group to consider.

102/22 NALC Points of Light

Councillor Barton discussed the possibility of installing an electric vehicle charging point at the Village Hall with the Village Hall Committee however this is not something to be considered at this time.

103/22 War Memorial

Councillor P Critchlow advised he has identified 4 more soldiers for the war memorial.

104/22 Chairman and members report

Councillor J Critchlow advised several projects were put on hold throughout Covid but as we come out of restrictions they should be reconsidered and has asked for future projects to be included within the next agenda. **Action** – Clerk to put on August agenda

Councillor J Critchlow would like daffodil planting on the Green and elsewhere to be included within the next agenda. **Action** – Clerk to put on August agenda

Given recent issues with planning applications it is suggested refresher planning training would be advantageous for all councillors. **Action** – Clerk to enquire about appropriate training courses where the provider will visit the village to provide training *en masse* for the councillors.

105/22 Clerk's report

The clerk was on holiday.

The next meeting will be held on the 10th August at 7.30pm.

The meeting commenced at 7.34 and concluded at 8.34pm