

MINUTES OF NORTON SUB HAMDON PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3RD APRIL 2023
AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, NORTON VILLAGE HALL

23/1905 PRESENT:

Cllr S More (Chairman), Cllr. B. Matraives (Vice Chair), Cllr. P. Biddle, Cllr. J Cole, Cllr. L Holt, Cllr J Harris, Cllr. P Gartrell, Mike Hewitson (Unitary Councillor), Mrs L. Brooks (Clerk), and 2 members of the public.

23/1906 APOLOGIES:

Oliver Patrick (Unitary Councillor)

23/1907 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nothing to report

23/1908 PUBLIC TIME

23/1908/a Public Time

Nothing to report

23/1908/b P.C.S.O. Report:

Nothing to report

23/1908/c Unitary Councillor report:

Cllr Hewitson attended the meeting towards the end. He updated the Parish Council on any latest developments with the new Unitary Council.

The Chairman Cllr More, reported that the drains at Little Norton were now in desperate need of attention as the whole drain had sunk. Cllr Hewitson informed the PC that he would report this to Highways. He would also chase the planning breach. **Action: Cllr Hewitson**

23/1908/d CLT Update:

Cllr Harris updated the Parish Council on the latest regarding the shop and the solar panels.

23/1908/e HYG Report

Cllr Holt reported that due to a little bit of an issue with a certain age group at SSH, HYG had postponed this group's meeting for the time being. This did not affect HYG meeting at NSH village hall.

23/1908/f Allotments Report

Cllr Holt reported that the allotments were all running smoothly and they now had a waiting list. The banking issue has still yet to be resolved.

23/1908/e Bus update

Cllr. Harris gave an update on the latest bus issues with regards to the closure of part of Yeovil Town Centre, due to the Yeovil refresh project. This closure is planned for the next 36 weeks.

23/1909 MINUTES

The Minutes from the March meeting were circulated. They were agreed and signed.

Proposed: Cllr. Biddle Seconded: Cllr. Cole Agreed unanimously.

23/1910 MATTERS ARISING

23/1910/a Outdoor lighting in car park.

Cllrs Cole and Harris reported that they were still researching options.

23/1910/b Village Hall Lease

Cllrs Cole and Harris reported that this was still being researched.

23/1911 PLANNING:

23/1911/a Matters For Report

Nothing to report

23/1911/b Decisions Notified:

Nothing to report

23/1911/c Applications for consideration.

22/02606/HOU & 22/02733/LBC - Rocklands House, Little Street, Norton Sub Hamdon, Somerset (Brook Coach House) - Retrospective

Revision to approved plans 18/00726/FUL to allow amendments to finish and design.

The Parish Councillors had studied this application prior to the meeting and then it was discussed at the meeting.

The Parish Council support this application but request the following condition to be included:
The whole of the south elevation (including the 2 metre recess) has to be finished in Hamstone and NO timber cladding to be used at all.

There is no timber cladding used at all in this area and the Parish Council do not support the use of it here.

The original part of this property is in Hamstone and the other two areas of the extension are in hamstone. This is a conservation area and all other houses surrounding this property are in Hamstone.

Action: Clerk

23/1912 FINANCE:

23/1912/a Matters for report:

End of Final Quarter

1. End of third Quarter Balances

Current account £ 100.00

Reserve account £ 20,135.41

£ 20,235.41

There were 2 cheques not yet showing on the statement as banked £ 49.20

Total as cash book £ 20,186.21

The Clerk explained how she is now doing the final audit for the year

23/1912/b Matters for resolution

Nothing to report

23/1912/c Cheques Payable

			Chq no
Louise Brooks	Salary – March 2023	£ 529.10	1656
HMRC	NI & PAYE March 2023	£ 13.00	1657
Louise Brooks	Expenses & home office Allowance – Mar 2023	£ 70.00	1658
DOWNTOEARTH SW LTD	Rec Grounds maintenance Jan-March 22	£ 571.87	1659
Hamdon Youth Group	Annual Grant for HYG	£ 2,196.15	1660
Cox and Co Payroll	Payroll services for Apr/May/June 2023	£ 90.00	1661

Proposed: Cllr. Biddle

Seconded: Cllr. More

Agreed unanimously

23/1913 VILLAGE HALL:

Nothing to report

23/1914 RECREATION GROUND:

Nothing to report

23/1915 CORRESPONDENCE:

All correspondence received had been circulated to all Parish Councillors

23/1916 FOOTPATHS:

Nothing to report

23/1917 MEMBERS' REPORTS.

The Chairman reported a sunken drain at Little Norton. This was reported to Cllr Hewitson.

Cllr Gartrell reported an issue with the pavement outside the houses at Minchington Close going up along Skinners Lane. Clerk to report to Highways. **Action: Clerk**

The Clerk reported that she had received complaints regarding the parking at the far end of Higher Street. There was concern that, if an emergency vehicle was required, it would not be able to get access. Both refuse and oil delivery lorries have struggled on many occasions to get through. It was pointed out that Wessex Water need to have 24/7 access to get to the pumping station with lorries as well. Clerk to include a piece in the newsletter and also to speak to Highways. **Action: Clerk**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm

The next monthly meeting will be held on TUESDAY MAY 9TH 2023.

THE ANNUAL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE FIRST STARTING AT 7.15 PM WITH THE MONTHLY MEETING STARTING IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS.