

MATTERSEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 4th October 2023 at 7.00pm in Mattersey Church Hall

Present:- Cllrs. Walker (Chairman), E.Keeling-Heane, D.Elcoate, A. Haddon (clerk), Cty Cllr Taylor, Dist Cllr Bamford, Chair of Governors of Mattersey Primary School

10/23/089 To receive and accept apologies for absence
Apologies were received from Cllrs Skelton & J.Keeling-Heane

10/23/090 To receive any declarations of interest or dispensation requests
No declarations were made.

10/23/091 Public Forum
The Chair of School Governors reported on:

- Discussions regarding a collaboration between Sutton, Walkeringham, Everton & Mattersey schools
- There is a new school manager assistant
- A defibrillator has been installed and staff trained
- A new heat source pump should soon be installed to replace the old oil boiler
- Key Stage 2 pupils have been invited to tour Parliament. A request was made for funding towards the trip
- A new group called Caterpillar would soon be available for children 3 months to 3 years old and their parents. It was hoped this would encourage more use of the school.

10/23/092 To consider co-option of residents to the Parish Council
No applications had been received.

10/23/093 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council held on 6th September 2023
Resolved to approve the minutes.

10/23/094 To receive reports on items in the minutes, for information only
9/23/083j Extra waste bin – Bassetlaw District Council will not install any new bins at the moment.
9/23/085 – BDC refused to reinstate the wheelie bin on Breck Lane.

10/23/095 To receive reports from District & County Councillors
District Councillor Bamford:

- Will be approaching the Chief Constable regarding the dog attack at Mattersey Thorpe
- The latest dog fouling incident on Thorpe Road had been reported and the culprit warned
- Recorded thanks to the residents of Mattersey who helped with the search for the missing girl

County Cllr Taylor:

- HIVE project – the company are asking views from local residents but their application has not yet advanced
- iGas are currently restoring the site at Misson to its original state

10/23/096 Planning - to consider a response to the following application(s):
a. Planning applications

No new applications were received.

b. Correspondence & decisions

1. 23/00803/TPO Works to trees with a TPO consisting of trees 2-6 and 8-21 crown lifted to 5.2m over adjacent highway, tree 7 to be removed at Breck House, Mattersey Thorpe – permission granted.
2. HIVE planning application via Notts CC

- 10/23/097 Millennium Green – grass cutting invoice, review of grass cutting specification, upgrade project – to consider employing a designer,**
Grass cutting invoice for £130.80 approved for payment.
Resolved to award a grass cutting contract for 2 years.
A wildlife project report had been circulated by Mark Speck from Notts Wildlife Trust.
It was resolved to obtain the services of a designer for the upgrade project. The source of financing to be advised.
- 10/23/098 Cemetery Report – review contract specifications, confirm contractor to carry out tree work, review cemetery & memorial regulations**
There had been one cremation interment since the last meeting.
The draft contract specifications had been circulated and a decision taken that all tree and grass cutting be separated for annual contracts on a 2 year basis.
Resolved to employ H & W contractors to carry out the tree work required this year.
The cemetery and memorial regulations were amended as per the draft with the restriction on the number of cremated remains interments in an existing grave being deleted.
- 10/23/099 Review of grass cutting contract specification**
Specifications were approved pending further information regarding the two small areas on Thorpe Road.
- 10/23/100 To consider Lengthsman work**
Cllrs to submit suggestions and decide on areas for bulb planting.
- 10/23/101 Update on Mattersey Thorpe Communal areas**
No further information had been received on negotiations.
- 10/23/102 Speedwatch & Highways**
If another volunteer could be found then a speedwatch operation was to be arranged within the next month during midweek on Main Street.
Highways – The Senior District Highways Manager had been contacted regarding speeding issues and had agreed to a speed survey. He would not consider removal of the speed cushions but would check whether any maintenance was required.
The 'gateways' proposed would need to comply with materials and positioning regulations. It would not be possible to display a 30mph sign on them. A section 115 license application form would need to be completed. Costings for the gateways had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.
Councillors agreed to a site meeting to consider the sizes and locations.
- 10/23/103 To consider new planters**
This item was deferred.
- 10/23/104 To consider organising events – Christmas, plane crash anniversary**
Christmas – there had now been 3 apologies from Cllrs who would not be able to attend the ceremony on 1st December.
Plane crash anniversary – to put an article in Idle Talk only.
- 10/23/105 Finance**
- a. To receive a report on the current financial status and reconciliation of accounts.
Approved
 - b. To authorise the following expenditure:

Salary & Admin	£334.88	HMRC	£78.60
North Notts Landscapes – grass cutting & cemetery			£636.00
Lengthsman	£225.00	External audit	£252.00
t/f balance of grant to MMGT	£1,250.00		

Resolved: authorised.

- 10/23/106 Correspondence**
 - a. NEBF meeting 5th October at 7pm on Teams
 - b. NALC Chief Executives newsletter
 - c. Summary of monthly Police incident figures for Beat Area
 - d. Request for flood wardens
 - e. Jo Cox civility and respect survey

- 10/23/107 Correspondence received after publication of agenda**
 - a. Lincs & Notts air ambulance newsletter
 - b. Notts County Council budget survey

- 10/23/108 Members & clerk’s reports and exchange of information on matters of concern**
No issues were raised.

- 10/23/109 Topics for social media publication**
As issues relating to residents become available.

- 10/23/110 To confirm the next meeting**
Resolved: That the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 1st November 2023 at 7pm

Signed Date(Chairman)