

KIRTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 07 MAY 2024 AT 7.30PM IN THE CANTEEN AT THE FORTERRA BRICKWORKS, KIRTON

THIS MEETING FOLLOWED THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS NOT QUORATE FOR THIS MEETING SO SOME ITEMS ARE DEFERRED TO THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA.

NUMBER	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/DECISION/ACTION	ACTION POINTS
1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr T Wildgust, D Surgey and R Batty.	
2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	None	
3	TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING	The last Parish Council meeting was held on Tuesday 09 April 2024, however due to the meeting not being quorate these minutes will be signed off at the June meeting.	
4	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	We were joined at this meeting by Mr Jonathan Price, Church Warden and Lydia Stennett who is interested in becoming a Councillor.	
5	THE HEDGE AT LEASIDE	After the last Parish Council meeting, Cllr Fegan contacted several suppliers to ascertain the cost of laurel type bushes to replace the hedge that has been removed at Leaside. Prices vary significantly. The Parish Council is meeting the cost of this replanting but will really need some support from VIA or NCC The clerk has again contacted VIA to ask with help in getting to the root of the discrepancy in the plan provided by them and the land registry documents.	Clerk e mailed VIA and residents 08 May.
6	PARISH COUNCIL & RESIDENT INVOLVEMENT UPDATE TO STANDING ORDERS	This item is deferred to the June meeting.	

7	D DAY 80-06 JUNE 2024 UPDATE	Cllr Fegan confirmed that he is co ordinating the residents returned slips for the subsidised meal at the Fox and he will complete a spread sheet of all responses and forward this to the Clerk before the event.	
8	PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE	For the last 3 years the Parish Council had a long term agreement for insurance with BHIB, now Clear Council insurance. Last year the Premium was £923.75 but as the agreement has now terminated the next premium was quoted at £1213.68 The clerk spoke to NALC and then contacted some other suppliers, the best quote, like for like, is with Zurich who can offer a 3 year long term agreement at a premium of £848.43 Cllr Fegan proposed the move to the 3 year LTA with Zurich and this was seconded by Cllr N Batty The insurance is due for renewal before the next Council meeting so the Clerk has asked all Councillors to confirm that they are supportive of this change.	
9	CLERKS APPRAISAL AND SALARY REVIEW	Cllr Fegan and Cllr Wildgust conducted the Clerks appraisal and suggested that her salary be increased by £1.00 per hour to band 17 at £14.95	This item to be put onto the June agenda for ratification by all Councillors.
10	COUNCILLOR VACANCY	Cllr Denise Beard handed in her notice at the end of April and the official notification was posted in the notice boards and on Facebook on 01 May. The notice has to be posted for 14 working days and if after that time no residents have requested an election we will be given permission by NSDC to co opt a person onto the Parish Council. Once this permission has been received we can invite people to come forward for the position.	This item to be on June agenda
11	SIGN OFF OF 2023/24 ACCOUNTS	The unaudited accounts were displayed in the village as required for 14 days and have now been independently audited and agreed. The accounts were signed off by the Clerk and the Chair.	
12	ACCOUNTS PAID	N Batty Fuel for Mower	

		Hugo Fox Website £11.99 R Batty Fuel for Mower £30.72 N Batty Plantings for playing field £78.00 R Batty Fuel for Mower £29.53	
	INCOME RECEIVED	First part of Precept £3937.50	
13	VILLAGE CONTRIBUTIONS	Thanks again to Colin Haywood for his help with the playing field, grass and plants around the bus stop and village signs. We would also like to thank the person who litter picks on Walesby Lane.	
14	CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA	1. Although not particularly correspondence, Cllr N Batty confirmed that the area behind 13& 14 Kirton Court on the Playing Field would benefit from having pea gravel laid down, Cllr Atherton has priced up some gravel and would like permission to order it. The Clerk has emailed the Councillors who were not able to attend the meeting to confirm their support for this. 2. As we were not quorate at this or the Parish Meeting the election of a new Chair and Vice Chair has been deferred to the June meeting	Add to agenda for June meeting Add to agenda for June meeting
15	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 18 th June at 19.30 hours at the canteen Forterra Brickworks	
	MEETING CLOSED	The meeting closed at 20.45	

Minutes prepared by Kate Hall, Clerk to Kirton Parish Council 08 May 2024.