

THORPE MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Thorpe Malsor Parish Council held on 18th November 2021.

Present: Cllr Edd Stevenson (Chair), Cllr C Holborow, Cllr J Harrison, Cllr Jo Rawson,
Cllr H Sharp (acting Clerk).
No members of the public attended.

1. Apologies for absence

None.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Holborow declared a disclosable interest in Planning Application NK/2021/0667 & 0668 and will withdraw from the meeting during this item.

3. Approval and signature of minutes of the Ordinary meetings of 1st July & 26th August 2021.

The minutes were approved without amendment and signed by the Chair.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Open Forum (public participation session).

No members of the public attended.

6. Finance

a) To receive the Finance Report and approve the Schedule of Payments.

The Clerk presented the latest financial statement, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Clerk explained that the 19-20 payment for bus shelter rental had been missed and the payment for 21-22 was late as invoices had been incorrectly addressed and not received. Future invoices will be sent electronically to the council's e-mail address to prevent this reoccurring. It was resolved to settle all invoices as detailed on the Schedule (copy attached).

b) Update: changes to the bank mandate.

The clerk reported that this was still ongoing.

7. Planning

a) Update: Grain Store Application NK/2021/0043

It was noted that the decision was still pending and the Environmental Health Officer had requested that further information on dust emissions be provided as a condition of the granting of the application.

b) Update: Public Inquiry, Unauthorised Caravan Site at Loddington.

It was noted that, after 2 full days of evidence, the inquiry was adjourned due to the planning consultant for the travellers suddenly becoming unwell. Due to the unavailability of barristers/witnesses the inquiry will not resume until 17th May 2022.

c) To Consider Planning Application NK/2021/0667 & 0668:

Proposal: Construction of a 12m x 5m outdoor swimming pool
Location: Thorpe Malsor Hall, Church Way, Thorpe Malsor, NN14 1JS

Cllr Holborow left the meeting. Following discussion of the applications, all members agreed that the location of an outdoor pool adjacent to the existing tennis court was appropriate and it was resolved that no objection be made to the application.

8. To review plans for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration.

All members were keen to progress with plans to construct a bonfire beacon for lighting on Thursday, 2nd June. Cllr Sharp reported that detailed advice and guidance was now available on the web relating to the construction and safety precautions. It was agreed that a village committee needed to be set up to co-ordinate all events and should include representatives from the parish council, village hall and social club plus village residents who were prepared to help with the organisation of events. It was decided that, given the proximity of Christmas, this should be commenced in the new year.

9. To consider restoration works to the village well.

Cllr Sharp reported that she had met with a stonemason, who lives locally and had installed the plaque in the well some years ago. He has agreed to submit a quotation for the work which would include cleaning and replacement of one or two sections of the stonework.

10. To consider the protection of green space in The Square.

Cllr Sharp reported that the grassed area in The Square was being churned up by the parking of both cars and a large van. It was suggested that small posts be placed at intervals along the edge of the grass to prevent parking directly on the grass. Cllr Stevenson proposed that he obtain the opinions of residents in the vicinity.

9. To receive an update on current projects:

a) Short Lane verge improvement

The trees planted earlier this year are growing well. It was agreed that consideration needs to be given to moving one of the newly planted trees on the verge.

b) Tree Bench Seat

Cllr Sharp reported that she had still not had time to make any further progress with the seat project but would continue when possible. It was suggested that it may be possible for another local carpenter to construct the seat.

c) Trial planting of wild flowers on Eagle Lane verge

It was agreed to organise a working party to plant the seeds in the area recently cleared of weeds, between the village sign and the main gate of the Hall.

d) Planting of bulbs along narrow verge on Church Way

It was agreed that Cllr Holborow would order a selection of bulbs and organise a working party to plant these when received.

10. Date of next meeting.

The date was set for Thursday, 6th January 2022.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm.

Signed:(Chair)

Date:

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Accounts to be passed for payment 18th November 2021:

* Denotes paid in advance of meeting.

Payee	Details	Amount	Power
ICO*	Annual Registration Fee DP Act	£40.00	LGA 1972, s111 (1)
Mrs LCM Holborow CS	Bus Shelter Rent 19-20	£15.00	LG MP Act 1953, s4
Mrs LCM Holborow CS	Bus Shelter Rent 21-22	£15.00	LG MP Act 1953, s4
Total		£70.00	

RECEIPTS SINCE: 26th August 2021:

Date	Particulars	Amount	Account Credited
06/06/21	Interest	£0.02	Premium Account
Total		£0.02	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bank Balances B/F 22/08/21		Receipts	Expected Balances (after payment of above invoices)
Premium Account	£631.75	£0.02	£631.77
Community Account	£5453.91	£0.00	£5,383.91
Total	£6,085.66	£0.02	£6,015.68