

Fiskerton-cum-Morton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 15th May 2023

Present : Cllrs A.Price, H.Gibbins, L.Moakes, S Holloway, C. Hallam (part). Three members of the public.

Councillor Price opened the meeting at 19.55 (delayed due to the over run of the Annual Parish Meeting).

1. Apologies – Apologies were received and approved from Cllr. Powell

2. Post Election Matters – Due to procedural requirements, the agenda was restated.

a) Acceptances of office were received from all councillors present.

b) Councillor Price was nominated, seconded and elected as Chair, and completed the acceptance of office accordingly.

c) Councillor Gibbins was nominated, seconded and elected as Vice Chair, and completed the acceptance of office accordingly.

3. Declarations of interest – there were none – it was noted that the notification of interest documents were not available on the NCC website – Clerk to redistribute

4. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17/4/2023 The minutes were approved with some minor corrections.

5. Clerk's update None other than covered elsewhere

6. Reports from District and County Councillors There were none present

7. Questions from Members of the Public - It was asked when the “cut off” was for the vacant Councillor vacancy – the Chair responded to say that it would depend on the level of interest, but before the next meeting.

8. Planning applications:

a) 23/00645/HOUSE

Spelga House Station Road Fiskerton NG25 0UG

Proposed front two storey extension, First floor extension and new roof.

After some discussion and review of the heritage advice, a vote was held which was to unanimously reject the application. The reasons presented by the council were that the proposal was in contravention of the neighbourhood plan, specifically FCM1 (Residential Development), FCM5

(Character and Design Policy), FCM6 (Views and Vista`s) and also for the numerous reasons cited in the aforementioned heritage advice.

b) 23/00699/HOUSE

Dolphin House Claypit Lane Fiskerton Southwell

Alterations and extension to existing property, including cladding to elevations.

After some discussion, a vote was held on this application, which was to unanimously reject the application. The reasons given were: -

The revised building would be overlooking, create a loss of privacy, create a loss of daylight/sunlight, and would be overshadowing.

9. Finance: a) To approve payment list – The payments list was reviewed and discussed. One item to the Sports and Gala Association was not authorised – The Clerk was instructed to challenge the amount, as it was not at the agreed rate.

b) Finance monitoring The Clerk advised that: -

The first 50% of the Precept had been received.

The “widget” to enable him to control the bank account was available to collect, which would be done in the coming week.

Access to the Scribe accounting system had been obtained.

Consequently, the transfer of responsibilities was imminent.

The payment for the Internal Audit had been included in the payments list.

10. Correspondence – none of note.

11. Strategic Plan Update

a) To determine the date, scope and format of a Strategic Review . A separate meeting was to be convened when the existing vacancy was filled (expected to be prior to, or at the next meeting.

b) Communications – It was noted that the Website had a very encouraging uptake (85 subscribers to date and rising steadily). An initiative to promote the website was to be undertaken, using promotional signage, advertising, and a potential promotion.

c) Village Speeding matters – no update available, the chair to request meeting with NCC to move matters forward.

d) Friends of Village Green – There was feedback concerning the Coronation event, the salient points being: -

It was “an epic event.”

There had been an unexpected (and very welcome) donation from the Village Shop.

Concerns were raised over the power supply for future events, Clerk to investigate.

At a peak point there were in excess of three hundred people present.

It was expected that the event would be making a marginal profit.

e) Sports and Gala (incl. playground) There had also been an event held at the Arthur Radford Centre, which had also been a great success, and had been both a different type of event and for a different audience.

f) Social events – covered above.

12. General maintenance of the Parish – Thanks were extended to the parishioner who had refurbished the finger sign in Morton.

At the next meeting, there would be an agreed allocation of responsibilities for monitoring and reporting the various maintenance elements of the Parish.

It was observed that N&SDC would expect a replacement tree for the failed Chestnut tree recently felled.

A review of the commemorative poppies is to be undertaken with a view to increasing the number for this years remembrance day.

13. Footpaths – Cllr. Gibbins to reissue review responsibilities, councillors and Clerk to have reported back prior to the next meeting.

The Clerk to progress a response from NCC concerning responsibilities and actions arising.

14. Date of next meeting: Monday 19/6/23, Arthur Radford Hall. 7.00 p.m.