

# Fiskerton-cum-Morton Parish Council

## Minutes of Full Council Meeting on 20th March 2023 held at the Arthur Radford Hall

**Present:** Cllrs A Price (In the Chair), D Powell, S Holloway, L Moakes and C Pogson.

**In Attendance:** Brian Powell (Clerk), Cllr Roger Blaney NSDC (part).

**The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.00 pm.**

**1. Apologies** – Cllrs. Gibbins, Larwood and Saddington had presented apologies, which were accepted and approved.

**2. Declarations of interest** - There were none recorded.

**3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20/2/2023-** The minutes were approved.

**4. Clerk's update** The Clerk advised of the need to hold an Annual meeting in accordance with the election timetable. It was agreed that the meeting would be held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 23.

The Best Kept Village competition was not to be held this year.

**5. Reports from Parish, District and County Councillors.** - Councillor Blaney reported on the recent N&SDC planning meeting, reiterated the process for nominations for the upcoming elections, and announced that he was stepping down as Councillor at said elections. He also advised that the Alternative Fuel Allowance scheme was operational.

**6. Questions from Members of the Public** – No members of the public were present

### **7. Planning applications:**

a) 23/00372/HOUSE

Three Gables Station Road Fiskerton NG25 0UG

Single storey rear extension, new front porch, conversion of existing garage and repositioning doors and windows . Detached garage.

After a short discussion, this application was unanimously approved.

b) 23/00374/HOUSE

Fairport Gravelly Lane Fiskerton NG25 0UW

Two storey front extension and new porch including removal of flat roof and replacing with new pitched roof, external rendering. Single storey rear extension, new detached garage (Part retrospective)

The council discussed this application at length. Councillor Pogson, concerned as to a potential conflict absented herself. The council voted by 4 to zero to reject the application.

The reasons given were: -

1. Given the previous development, this constituted an over intensification of the property.
2. The proposal would have a detrimental impact on the street scene.
3. The development would set a precedent for similar properties that would create a "domino" effect that would magnify the impacts above and also be against the principles of the neighbourhood plan.

A late planning application had been received that was deemed potentially sensitive. The Clerk was instructed to seek an extension from N&DSC for response.

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**8. Training Update for Councillors** – Cllrs. Powell and Pogson had attended a generic for councillors’ course run by Cllr. Gibbins. Councillor Powell was to make enquiries about available courses on planning in particular.

**9. Finance:**

- a) To approve payment list – The payment list was approved. The Clerk also confirmed receipt from N&SDC of £200
- b) Finance monitoring/transfer of responsibilities – all was progressing well for a handover as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023
- c) Appointment of Auditor – The appointment was confirmed, contact had been made in order to make arrangements. The fee was to be £100.00.

**10. Correspondence**

a) Email from S Dickman concerning footpaths - it was agreed that the Clerk would make contact with Mr. Dickman to discuss this further.

There is a survey that the council may be approached for concerning Playing Pitch Strategy.

**11. 2023 Elections** – The procedures were outlined by the Clerk; councillors were to make their own arrangements for nomination. The Clerk offered to deliver any completed nominations to Castle House for verification.

**12. Strategic Plan Update**

a) Communications - including website

The website appeared to be running well, a newsletter was to appear.

The clerk email address on the site was identified as incorrect. (This was corrected during the meeting).

A leaflet drop was agreed to promote the Website and forthcoming events at a cost of c£150.

A virtual newsletter was to be compiled.

b) Village Speeding matters – (David Colbeck) – update - no further update was available.

c) Friends of Village Green (Residents Group)

Councillor Pogson advised that the group was self-sufficient and were obtaining support from elsewhere as well as the council. It was agreed that (by way of contribution) the Bouncy Castle cost would be met as a gift. HOWEVER, it was reiterated that this was under the proviso that there was no insurance liability to accrue to the council, and the FoG were to make their own insurance arrangements.

d) Sports and Gala - no update

e) Street lighting no update

**13. General maintenance of the Parish:**

a) Footpath updates, hedges, and trees no further update in the absence of Cllr Gibbins

b) Defibrillator – training, monitoring and responsibility no further update

c) Playground and equipment no update

d) King’s Coronation All with FoG and Sports and Gala

**Date of next meeting: Monday 17/4/23, Arthur Radford Hall**

