**Present:**

Chairperson - Councillor P Bayes

Councillors -T Bowskill - A Gee – T Brownbridge - R Hopkins

**Also in attendance:**

A McCardle Clerk, and 5 members of the public.

**DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE AND PERSONAL INTERESTS**

There were no new declarations.

**ITEM 1**

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr A White, Cllr S Matchett and Cllr David Rose

**ITEM 2**

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD TUESDAY 7th May 2024**

The minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr Brownbridge, and seconded by Cllr Hopkins

**ITEM 3**

**MATTERS ARISING**

None

**ITEM 4**

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Balance of HSBC Accounts:

* Community Account 10,359.55
* Money Manager Account 667.76

Accounts for Payment:

* 14 Clerks Salary MAY 368.25
* 15 Go Daddy Annual Renewal 187.06

* 16 Woollas Security 96.00
* 17 BT Internet Remaining Annual Charges 116.68
* 18 HSBC Charges MAY 22.45
* 19 Neal Smith 2,144.88
* 20 AS Accounting/Audit Accounts 175.00

Cllr Bowskill proposed payment of the accounts for May 2024 seconded by Cllr Gee, and all agreed.

**ITEM 5**

**PLANNING MATTERS**

* PA/2024/542

Chester Farm Bungalow Application to demolish existing bungalow and erect 3 detached dwellings.

Members of the public attended concerned about the application for the following reasons.

The garage referred to is actually a barn and bats reside in it.

The plot is too small for 3 large 4 bedroomed houses.

Parking is an issue.

Drainage is an issue.

The Clerk would OPPOSE the application on behalf of the Parish Council on the Planning Portal.

**ITEM 6**

**HIGHWAY/ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

* *Speeding Cars* It was reported that on the 6th June a tractor was driving through the village with the equipment being towed swaying dangerously on the back. A car had to take evasive action to avoid it hitting them.
* *Road Closure* Quickline the company installing faster broadband closed the road fully without notice on Friday 7th June. Traffic lights should have been in use. The Clerk would write an email to NLC in complaint.
* It was reported that at the NATS meeting Epworth Town Council were to challenge the weight limit that has been imposed on the C202 as it is causing more heavy vehicles in Epworth.
* *Potholes* To be reviewed next month.
* *Pavements* Cllr Gee reported that the pavements may be scheduled for resurfacing between 7th and 16th August. However, it was discussed that NLC should discover when Quickline are finished installing the fast broadband and also consideration should be given to the drainage issues.

**ITEM 7**

**ALLOTMENTS**

There have been no enquiries for the vacant allotments despite the Clerk advertising availability more widely throughout The Isle of Axholme.

The Parish Council have very kindly been donated a ride on mower by residents in the village. This is very much appreciated and will enable us to keep The Woodland Garden looking lovely.

**ITEM 8**

**PLAY PARK**

Work continues

**ITEM 9**

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

* *Community Orchard* – The Clerk has been busy with the end of year accounts but will action this next month.
* *Wroot Village Signs.* The Clerk has written to Gareth Denovan but is yet to receive a reply. This will also be revisited next month.

**ITEM 10**

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Cllr Gee noted that there were some issues with the bus service when the regular driver was on annual leave.

The next NATS meeting will take place in September.

Cllr Bayes raised the issue of the gates on entry to the village needed painting and this would be organised. Also, the overdue repairs to the Parish Council Noticeboard would be undertaken with help from other Councillors.

**ITEM 11**

**CORRESPONDENCE** None received.

**INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

The Clerk has now had the forms for updating signatories completed by the relative parties. However, due to the ongoing dissatisfaction with the services of the HSBC a move to a new banking provider would be made once the signatories were updated. The Clerk reported that Cooperative Bank was used by the other Parish she Clerks for and their service is outstanding. To be reviewed once signatories updated.

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.10 pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 2nd July 2024.

Signed…………………………………………………….Chairman

Dated……………………………………………………