

Syresham Parish Council

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MINUTES

Meeting of Syresham Parish Council held on **Wednesday 27th February 2019**, at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr D Dunkley (Chairman of the Council)

Cllr I Draper (Vice Chairman)

Cllr C Munsey

Cllr M Williams

Mrs S Hosking (Clerk to the Council)

1 Member of the public present.

1. Receive and approve apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Cllrs D Cranwell, D Green, J Haycock and H MacIver.
Cllr A Jeskins absent.

RESOLVED: That Cllrs D Cranwell, D Green, J Haycock and H MacIver's absences be approved.

Proposed..... Cllr I Draper

Seconded..... Cllr M Williams

2. Guest speakers from Gigaclear to review build plans for superfast broadband rollout in this area - Louise Appleton, Community Engagement Manager and other representatives of Gigaclear's build team.

As part of the central government's plans to roll out superfast broadband to UK rural areas, Gigaclear have been awarded the contract to provide superfast fibre broadband networks to rural communities in Northamptonshire.

Works in the parish, covering Syresham village, Pimlico and Crowfield are due to start at the end of March. There will be some disruption while the cables are laid in narrow trenches. Some temporary footpath and road closures will be necessary during the works, which could last for approximately 8-12 weeks.

If Gigaclear have to access private land, the landowner and Gigaclear will discuss access agreements and there will be 7 days notice before entering private land.

Gigaclear have 6 months to complete works to reinstate roads, pavements and private drives etc. This timescale is mostly due to having to reseed grass areas at the end of the works. Contractors will provide a 2 year guarantee on any reinstatement works.

It will be necessary to install cabinets. These will be placed on public land as discretely as possible, so as not to cause an obstruction and abiding by Highways rules. The locations of these cabinets will be spray painted on pavements ahead of works, if there are any issues with locations the Parish Council can contact Louise Appleton.

The new network will mean that most residents will have the option to access this new, faster fibre broadband, via a number of broadband providers who use the Gigaclear network. There would no longer be an issue of a gradually weaker broadband, the further from the BT cabinet the resident lives.

Residents should start to receive letters from Gigaclear from 8th March onwards. The letters will give more information. FAQ leaflets were left at the meeting for circulation.

If residents have any additional questions, then they should contact Gigaclear directly by email at networkbuildcare@gigaclear.com or by calling 01865 591137. Or contact the parish clerk.

Or more project information can be found on the website <https://www.gigaclear.net/> specifically www.gigaclear.net/superfastnorthamptonshire.

3. Receive and approve for signature the minutes of the previous Parish Council meetings held on 30th January, 13th February and 25th February 2019.

RESOLVED: That the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 30th January 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed..... Cllr I Draper

Seconded..... Cllr C Munsey

RESOLVED: That the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 13th February 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed..... Cllr C Munsey

Seconded..... Cllr M Williams

RESOLVED: That the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 25th February 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed..... Cllr C Munsey

Seconded..... Cllr D Dunkley

4. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. No interests were declared at this point.

5. Public Participation session.

A resident queried land ownership of the public footpath running behind houses in The Pound. Trees along the footpath are causing issues for homeowners, but Northants CC Highways is of the opinion that it is the landowner's responsibility for clearing them. The resident asked the Parish Council to check legislation and enquire if the NCC Footpaths Officer will help in finding out who owns the land and ask them to maintain the trees.

6. Planning Applications:

S/2019/0312/NA Proposal: Reserved matters application for a 200 bed hotel pursuant to outline planning permission 17/01840/AOP to consider layout, scale, external appearance, the access and the layout of the site
Location: Silverstone Circuits Ltd, Silverstone Airfield Bungalow, Dadford Road, Silverstone NN12 8TN.
INFORMATION ONLY

S/2019/0349/FUL Proposal: New canteen facility (Retrospective) Location: Racing Point F1 Team
Buckingham Road Silverstone NN12 8TJ. *Comments by 14th March.*

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council do not have any objections to the plans. But the Parish Council does object to retrospective planning as a matter of principle and has made this point before.

Proposed..... Cllr I Draper

Seconded..... Cllr C Munsey

7. Matters arising.

a) Abbey Road Streetlight update - Clerk. A new street light has now been installed.

b) Office telephone update - Clerk. New BT contract arranged.

c) High Street grit bin position - Clerk. The developers have agreed to move it closer to the bend on High Street.

d) Update street lighting upgrade - Clerk. Tender letters have gone out to three companies for quotes on revised street lighting plans.

e) Emergency Planning Team update - C Munsey. Meeting has been moved to 7th March.

- f) Letter to NCC Highways re gritting problems - Clerk. NCC have rescinded their decision to cut gritting. Therefore, no need for letter at the present time.

8. i) Approval of accounts for payment:

Payee	Amount	VAT	Cheque no.	Power
Clerks Salary (Jan) inc. office costs	£616.76	£0	101471	LGA 1972 s112 (2)
Clerk's reimbursement PAYE employer NI contributions month 10	£8.65	£0	101472	LGA 1972 s112 (2)
Petty Cash	£13.20	£0	101473	LGA 1972 s111(1)

Total Payments: £638.61

RESOLVED: That the above accounts be paid.

Proposed..... Cllr C Munsey

Seconded..... Cllr I Draper

ii) Bank Balances for approval.

Community Account: £ 4,078.36

Business Account: £ 14,785.30

Total: £ 18,863.66

RESOLVED: That the above accounts are accepted as a true record.

Proposed..... Cllr I Draper

Seconded..... Cllr C Munsey

9. Correspondence

a) RRT Charity offer of help with community projects.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council will thank RRT for their kind offer and consider possible projects.

Unanimous decision.

b) SNVB Rural Transport Survey

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will display details on noticeboard/website for residents to complete the survey.

Unanimous decision.

c) Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's Police and Fire Plan Consultation

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will display details on noticeboard/website for residents to complete the survey.

Unanimous decision

d) OPFA Playground training.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council has already received similar training. No action required.

Unanimous decision

e) Tesco Bags of Help Twitter Competition. No action required.

Cllr M Williams declared an interest in the George Timms Charity.

f) Letter from George Timms Trust regarding potential conflicts of interests.

RESOLVED: That the letter be noted.

Proposed..... Cllr I Draper

Seconded..... Cllr C Munsey

Proposed..... Cllr M Williams

Seconded..... Cllr C Munsey

22. Annual review of effectiveness of internal financial check.

RESOLVED: That the current methodology for internal financial checks remains effective.

Proposed..... Cllr I Draper

Seconded..... Cllr M Williams

23. Review of Financial Regulations - Deferred to next meeting.

24. Swingfield report for February - postponed to next week.

25. Public Footpath AZ21, behind houses in The Pound - response from NCC Senior Footpaths Officer.

RESOLVED: That the NCC Senior Footpaths Officer's response is noted. That the Clerk will ask Footpaths Officer again to assist in ascertaining land ownership of footpath AZ21, during their next meeting.

Proposed..... Cllr C Munsey

Seconded..... Cllr M Williams

26. Syresham footpath issues inspection report from NCC Senior Footpaths Officer.

RESOLVED: That the NCC Senior Footpaths Officer's report on the resolution of blocked footpaths and repair to stiles is noted.

Unanimous decision.

27. Footpath Wardens NCC induction meeting. Meeting arranged with Clerk, Footpath Wardens and NCC Footpaths Officer for Warden Induction Friday 8th March.

28. Annual Parish Meeting Invitee suggestions.

Ability Northants, Street lighting, Good Neighbour scheme ACRE, Wellbeing SNC help with Walking Football, Nordic Walking etc, District Councillor - LGR

Clerk to ask NCALC and other local parishes who they are inviting, for ideas.

29. Items for inclusion in next meeting's Agenda.

Pocket Park being used as toilet

Dog poo bags being placed in residential bins.

Swingfield cleaning date.

Clearance of path to Pimlico

Community Service Probationary Service work.

Maintenance of entrance gates to village

30. Date of next Parish Council meeting Wednesday 27th March.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm



S Hosking

Syresham Parish Clerk

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