

Syresham Parish Council

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MINUTES

Meeting of Syresham Parish Council held on **Wednesday 30th November 2022**,
at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Meeting Room, Main Road, Syresham, NN13 5HE

Present: Cllr D Dunkley (Chairman) Cllr I Draper (Vice Chairman) Cllr D Cranwell
Cllr D Green Cllr H MacIver Cllr C Munsey
Cllr Dermot Bambridge, WNC Ward Councillor Silverstone Ward
5 members of the public present

1. Receive and approve apologies for absence.
Apologies received from Cllrs A Jeskins, E Krupa, J Haycock and Mrs S Hosking (Parish Clerk)
RESOLVED: That the above absences be approved.
2. Receive and approve for signature the minutes of the previous Parish Council meetings held on 19th October and 3rd November 2022.
RESOLVED: That the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 19th October 2022 be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.
RESOLVED: That the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd November 2022 be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.
3. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.
None to declare.
4. Public Participation session.
A representative of the members of the public present said that they were attending the meeting with regard to the Lorry Park application.
The Chairman stated that the Parish Council's comments had been sent to West Northamptonshire Council.
Cllr Bambridge said he would talk about the application in his report.
5. Receive report from Cllr Dermot Bambridge, Ward Councillor Silverstone Ward, WNC.
Main report attached. In addition, Cllr Bambridge said that the issue of tyre storage at Crowfield comes under the Environment Agency and is on this agenda.
Parking at Whistley Wood is also on the agenda.
Regarding the flooding and Pathfinder enquiry relating to mud on the pavement on Wappenham Road. Cllr Bambridge only received the Clerk's message on Friday but has been informed that Highways will let the Parish Council know about a permanent solution this coming Friday.
Cllr Bambridge has been very pleased to be able to help Syresham Brownies with his support fund recently.
Regarding the Lorry Park application. Although the official deadline for comments has passed, it is still ongoing, and people can still send in their comments to WNC. Residents should also write to Cllr Charles Manners who is on the Strategic Planning Committee. Cllr Bambridge pointed out that members of the public can attend the committee meeting of WNC in January and can speak if they give prior notification that they wish to do so.

6. Matters arising.
- a) Whistley Wood verge parking update – WNC Highways have some temporary signs which state ‘Do Not Park on the Grass Verge’ that can be attached to the signposts either side of the Whistley Woods parking area. They will be installed in the next couple of weeks.
 - b) Additional dog waste bin at Sports Field update – The Clerk is still waiting to hear back from SSSC committee on where exactly to site the new bin.
 - c) TPO requests update – The Clerk has sent in TPO requests to the WNC Tree Officer and is awaiting a reply.
 - d) Update on issue of lorries using Malt Lane - WNC Highways have responded. They would be happy to work with the businesses operating on College Farm Park, to design a signage scheme, if the businesses fund the work. The Parish Council could also check if, by using Malt Lane as a HGV access, any planning conditions have been contravened.
RESOLVED: The Parish Council would like to see a sign installed on the grass triangle at the end of Malt Lane saying, “No Entry for Heavy Goods Vehicles”. The Parish Council will contact the businesses to ask them to arrange for the sign to be installed.
 - e) Update on tyre storage near Whistley Woods – The landowner has confirmed that the tyre storage is temporary and that the tyres will all be used in the construction of the range. They should be moved next summer (weather dependent) when the range should be complete. The landowner does also have an Environment Agency licence to store the tyres and their storage is compliant with that licence.
Cllr MacIver expressed concerns that the tyres could pollute the watercourse before they are moved.
 - f) Correspondence with TanksAlot re tractor training update – The Clerk sent a letter to explain residents’ concerns regarding caterpillar tractor maneuvering but has not yet received a reply.
RESOLVED: The Parish Council will ask WNC Highways for a 7.5 tonne weight limit on Main Road, as a way of resolving this issue.
 - g) Appointment of Solicitors to handle adoption of Bradbery Close verge update – Chandler Ray Solicitors have now been appointed and they have acknowledged this and intend to liaise with Francis Jackson Homes on the Parish Council’s behalf.
 - h) Update on contact with the flooding team re Wappenham Road mud on pavement issue.
Cllr MacIver took some photographs of the mud-covered pavement and sent them to Richard Kopnyicky of the Emergency Planning Team but has not heard back. As Cllr Bambridge stated in his report, he is finding out what they are planning to do to permanently resolve the problem.

7. i) Approval of accounts for payment:

Payee	Amount	VAT	Cheque No	Power
DCK Payroll Solutions - Nov payroll fee	£12.00	£2.00	101751	LGA 1972 s111 (1)
Arnold Baker	£131.99	£0	101752	LGA 1972 s111 (1)
Reimb. flower planting – C Munsey	£12.00	£0	101753	Open Spaces Act 1906 s10
Reimb. planning poster printing – C Munsey	£14.40	£0	101754	LGA 1972 s111 (1)
Salaries (Month 8) incl. WFH allowance	£897.94	£0	101755	LGA 1972 s112 (2)
BT Group plc quarterly bill	£172.19	£28.70	Direct Debit	LGA 1972 s111 (1)
NEST pension Oct salary contributions	£25.73	£0	Direct Debit	LGA 1972 s112 (2)
HMRC gov PAYE payment month 7	£19.52	£0	Debit Card	LGA 1972 s112 (2)
Public Works loan repayment	£2,206.65	£0	Direct Debit	LGA 2003 s1

Total Spend: £ 3,492.42

RESOLVED: That the above accounts be paid.

ii) Bank Balances for approval

Community:	£ 12,682
Business:	£ 37,358
Total:	£ 50,040

RESOLVED: The above bank balances were approved.

8. Correspondence

a) Request from resident for a memorial bench in Crowfield.

It was felt that unfortunately the Parish Council is unable to accede to this request as it would set a precedent that it would be unable to fulfil.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council will write to explain why it cannot grant the request. However, it was pointed out that the bench already in Crowfield does need refurbishment. Mr Maund will be asked if he would be willing to do that.

b) Email from resident regarding speeding on Main Road.

Cllr MacIver explained that we do not have enough data to warrant a sign.

The clerk is endeavouring to set up a meeting, but it is proving difficult to get everyone together.

RESOLVED: An on-site meeting will be arranged with residents, WNC Highways and Councillors.

c) West Northamptonshire bus network review.

- Is your community served by a local bus service and if so are residents satisfied with the service?
There is no service.
- Evidence of any barriers to bus use in your community (excluding the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic) – for example concerns about frequency, routes, destinations, times, fares?
Not applicable.
- What do you think could be done to make bus use more attractive?
Divert buses travelling along A43 between Brackley and Towcester through the village.
- Do you have any ideas or options which you believe should be included within the review?
We have been told that the bus cannot be diverted because it would cause drivers hours to exceed those permitted. Therefore, we suggest the timetable is reviewed.

All information should be submitted by Friday 2nd December

RESOLVED: Cllr Munsey will send the above responses by 2nd December to Lucy Crann.

d) WNC Consultation on leisure facilities for people with disabilities in West Northamptonshire.

RESOLVED: This consultation needs to be completed by individuals with disabilities rather than the Parish Council. Information about this consultation will be included on the Parish website and a notice included in the Post Office window

9. Confirm new Swingfield sign details – Cllrs Green and Munsey

RESOLVED: Deferred to next agenda, as Clerk has details.

10. Receive Swingfield inspection report for November – Cllr Jeskins

RESOLVED: Report not received.

11. Confirm contribution percentage towards Cemetery Yew tree maintenance.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council will contribute half the cemetery Yew tree maintenance bill. However, the Parish Council needs a breakdown of expected maintenance from the Syresham St James PCC for the coming year, so that contributions can be properly budgeted.

12. Report from Rural England Prosperity Fund meeting – Cllrs Munsey and Cranwell

Cllr Cranwell stated that the Parish Council needs to pre-register Active Travel Routes on the Rural England Prosperity Fund pre-registration page, as per his email. Cllr Munsey confirmed she had tried this, but as the Parish Council is not the principle authority the request will not be accepted.

RESOLVED: The report was received. Cllr Cranwell to try again to pre-register the Brackley-Silverstone Active Travel Route.

13. Report from NACRE cost of living meeting – Cllr Munsey
Discussion took place on whether suggestions made at the meeting would be worthwhile in Syresham.

RESOLVED: The report was received. This will be reviewed after Christmas.

14. Report on Clerks meeting with WNC on parish and town council engagement – Clerk

RESOLVED: The report was received.

15. Pocket Park Committee meeting report – Cllr Dunkley

Request for approval to pay for another tree survey and any necessary pruning for safety.

RESOLVED: Deferred until the F&GP meeting.

16. Decide who will meet with contractors for school clock repairs.

RESOLVED: Cllr Green will meet contractors to discuss servicing and renovation of clock face and bell. A quote will also be obtained for renovation of the stone plaque underneath the clock.

17. Confirm plans for removal of one village gate and maintenance of the other.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council will await quotes.

18. Appointment of new Syresham Parish Police Liaison Representative.

RESOLVED: Cllr Krupa will be asked if she would like to be the new Police Liaison Representative.

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

- Pavement outside Sunday School in High Street. Ask Cllr Bambridge if he can look into it.
- Ask if there is any money in the S106 fund available for a survey for the Pimlico to Crowfield proposed Active Travel Route.
- Update on proposal for 20mph through the village.

20. Date of next Parish Council meeting.

The 14th December Parish Council and F&GP meetings are cancelled. The next Parish Council meeting will be in January, unless any planning consultations arrive. Date to be confirmed.

Meeting closed at 9pm



Cllr C Munsey

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