

QUANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held at the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on 10 November 2022

Present:

Councillors: Nicolette Smith (Chairman), Martin Pacetti, Sue Weldon, Peter Woodliffe-Thomas, Katherine Richardson (Clerk).

Members of the public – 4

Public Forum – Items discussed planning, HS2 maps road alignment.

1. Chairman's introduction

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED c/2022/51 to accept apologies from Cllr Macpherson and Cllr Butler

3. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interest were made.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, had been circulated prior to the meeting, were duly signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED c/2022/52 to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2022

5.1 Buckinghamshire Council matters

Update from Cllr Macpherson

- Information on funding schemes had been sent by Cllr Macpherson to the Parish Council.
- Trail Flatt Farm – enforcement status ongoing. A new case had been opened by planning and enforcement.
- Cllr Macpherson was in the process of trying to contact the owner of the bus company to talk about the problems with the current bus service.

Update from the Local Area Technician

- Patching work was continuing to repair the roads.

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- Some drainage work needed to be done along The Strand but this had been delayed as the road would have to be closed to complete the works.

5.2 HS2 Matters

- The Action Log from the HS2 Stakeholders meeting had been shared with Councillors.
- Members of the Parish Council continue to meet with HS2 stakeholders and Network Rail on a regular basis, to raise any issues or concerns.
- Concerns raised included the high volume of HS2 traffic coming through the village to the compounds, the impact of increased traffic to the deterioration of the roads, the impact on the bus service and the proposed route of the Greenway.
- Residents had again raised the issues re the high number of HGV lorries using Lower Street.

5.3 TVP

- PCSOs had carried out some patrols to look at the parking problems in the village.

6. To Review Reported Matters Outstanding

6.1 Bus Service

- There were still issues with the bus service, which had been impacted by the road closures due to the closure of Station Road.

6.2 Station Road Bridge

- The Parish Council had been informed that Station Road railway bridge would be replaced by November 2023.
- Once the new bridge had been replaced HS2 had informed the Parish Council via the HS2 Stakeholders meeting that Fiddlers Field will then have a long term road closure in place.

6.3 Development at North End Road

- The Parish Council had again contacted enforcement re the North End Road development. The concerns raised by the Parish Council and residents had been forwarded to the Case Officer.

7. Transport & Infrastructure

- Covered under agenda items 5.1, 5.2 and 6.2.

8. Planning Applications

- 22/03384/AOP - Littleton Manor Farm, Bicester Road, North West of Waddesdon Outline planning for 535 dwellings, primary school, hotel, health centre. The application had just been received. It was agreed for the Parish Council to contact neighbouring parishes to discuss. This would be discussed further at the next meeting.

- Ladymeard – Enforcement was ongoing re the temporary road.

9. Community Action Group for right to bid for George and Dragon

- The Community Action Group continued to meet. An update had been circulated.
- The CAG were looking at match funding options and various business models.

10. Clerks Report

10.1 Councillor vacancies

- There was still 1 Councillor vacancy.
- A date for a Parish Council Surgery would be confirmed.

10.2 Other matters

- Allotments – Most of the allotment holders had now paid their annual fees.
- Firework Advisory Committee – The firework night had been a great success and Councillors thanked all who were involved. A report from the committee would be requested for a future meeting.
- Training - The Clerk and Councillors continued to attend training.
- CHOW – An update had been circulated.
- Bernwood meeting – A Councillor was requested to attend the meeting on 16 November 2022.

RESOLVED c/2022/53 Councillors approved the wording for the plaque for the memorial bench

- Christmas tree – Councillors were presented with the agreement between Quainton Parish Council and Quainton School Lands Charity for the use of land for the erection of the Christmas tree.

RESOLVED c/2022/54 Councillors approved the agreement for the use of land for the erection of the Christmas tree.

- Streetlighting - It had been reported that 3 streetlights were currently not working. Quotes for the works were in the process of being requested as the lights were now out of warranty.
- Quainton vision- The Parish Council had been sent some initial thoughts by the local community on the Quainton vision.

11. Finance

11.1 Payments for authorisation – October 2022

11.2 Expenditure- payments pending previously	11.3 Income – receipts reported
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Circulated				
OLB614	Blades Turf Care	599.20	Allotment rents	48.00
DD	Npower	46.41	Interest (reserve account)	7.16
OLB620	LERC online	30.00		
OLB621	BMKALC 4089	50.00		
DD	EE Limited	22.98		
DD	Microsoft	59.99		
OLB622	HMRC	86.80		
OLB623	K Richardson – expenses	52.75		
OLB624	HMRC	15.91		
OLB625	K Richardson	347.21		
OLB626	Ross Lawry	1,295.00		
DD	Npower	49.33		
OLB627	BMKALC 4100	40.00		
OLB628	BMKALC 4101	40.00		
OLB629	BMKALC 4176	45.00		
OLB630	BMKALC 4067	140.00		

RESOLVED c/2022/55 to approve the payments pending as recorded.

11.2 Bank Reconciliation (£)

Brought forward 2021/22	39221.59	Reserve account	21962.66
Receipts to date	31890.43	Current account	28233.89
total	71112.02	total	50196.55
Less payments to date	20915.47	Plus received not banked	Nil
Bank balance at 31 October 2022	50196.55		50196.55

11.3 Budget 2023/24

- The second draft budget for 2023/24 was presented.
- The Parish Council would receive notification of the precept on 6 December 2022.

RESOLVED c/2022/56 Councillors approved the second draft budget for 2023/24

12. Recreational Reports

- S106 – There was S106 funding available and quotes for projects were in the process of being requested.

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13. To record items of business for the next council meeting

To be the Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on 8 December 2022 at 7.30pm.

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