

QUANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at the Memorial Hall on 9 November 2023 at 8.00pm

Present:

Councillors: Peter Woodliffe-Thomas, Sue Weldon, Nick Butler, Lee Whitlock, Katherine Richardson (Clerk)

Members of the public – 0

1. Chairman's introduction

Introductions were made by Cllr Weldon

2. Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED c/2023/10 to accept apologies Cllr Pacetti

3. Declarations of Interests

- Cllr Woodliffe-Thomas declared an interest in CAG due to being appointed as the legal Chairman of the George and Dragon Benefit Society.
- Cllr Weldon declared an interest in planning application 23/01557/APP 32 Cautley Close, Quainton.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 21 September 2023, had been circulated prior to the meeting, were duly signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED c/2023/11 to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2023

5 Buckinghamshire Council matters

5.1 Update from Cllr Macpherson

- The HS2 Stakeholders group continued to meet. It had been confirmed that Station Road would reopen in early January 2024.
- Trail Flatt Farm, North End Road and Ladymead – enforcement status ongoing.

5.2. Update from the Local Area Technician

- Road damage continued to be reported via FixMyStreet.
- The Clerk would follow up re the replacement white gate at the entrance to the village.
- The Clerk had contacted the LAT re the flooding at 110 Station Road.

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- Concerns were raised about the amount of water that is laying along Blackgrove Road. The Clerk would contact the LAT re clearing the ditches.

5.3 HS2 Matters

- Issues continued to be raised by Councillors during the HS2 Stakeholders meeting.

5.4 TVP

- The TVP update had been circulated to Councillors.

6. To Review Reported Matters Outstanding

6.1 Councillor vacancies

- There are still 2 Parish Councillor vacancies.

6.2 Development at North End Road

- Reported again to enforcement re the North End Road development. No update, to date, from the Case Officer.

7. Transport & Infrastructure

- SparkX had fixed the streetlight in North End Road.
- Curb stones needed to be replaced at the bottom of the Green. The Clerk would contact the Schools Lands Charity.
- A new bus stop and ramps had been installed in Station Road.

8. Planning Applications

- A planning appeal for 135 Station Road had been refused.
- The Stables, Church Street has gone to planning appeal.
- Enforcement was still in place at Trail Flatt Farm, North End Road and Ladymead Farm.

23/03059/APP	Proposed infill of the 3 railway arches	Station Road	No comment
21/00289/APP	Change of use from 1 bed to 2 bed holiday accommodation	Blackgrove Barn, Blackgrove Road	Approved
23/02468/23PIP	Application in principle for 2 houses	The Croft, 15 Church Street, Quainton	Refused
23/03427/AGN	Creation of agriculture track	Dry Lees Farm, Quainton	No comment
23/03020/APP	Application for 1 st floor side extension and side elevation	42 Upper Street, Quainton	No comment

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

- The CAG is in the final stages of closing the CAG. The £300,000 Government grant had been returned to the Government.

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10. Clerks Report

10.1 Councillor vacancies

- There are still 2 Councillor vacancies. If anyone is interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact the Parish Clerk.

10.2 AGAR

The external auditors had confirmed there were no actions from the external audit.

10.3 Rosefield Solar Farm

- The Parish Council had submitted a response to the consultation for the Rosefield Solar Farm. The Parish Council were very concerned about Fiddlers Field would be used to transport in the building materials, increasing the traffic significantly. The proposed site is also an area of natural beauty.

10.4 Replacement of playground equipment

- The replacement of a broken piece of playground equipment for the playground had been ordered.

10.5 Fireworks

The Firework event was a great success. The Parish Council would like to say a massive thank you to all the volunteers who continue to make this village event possible.

10.6 Noticeboard at the top of the Green

2 volunteers have offered to fix the noticeboard which is leaking and a new map would be ordered.

10.7 SIDs

Due to Station Road being opened in the spring funding for an additional SID would be sought.

11. Finance

11.1 Payments for authorisation – September and October 2023

11.2 Expenditure – payments pending previously circulated			11.3 Income – receipts reported	
OLB739	Yu Energy	48.38	Bucks CC	-14,337.58
OLB740	Yu Energy	31.40	CHOW	-230.85
OLB741	Yu Energy	36.49	Nat West	-34.80
OLB742	Yu Energy	47.30	Nat West	-38.44
OLB743	Yu Energy	30.94	Allotment rental	-318.00
OLB744	Yu Energy	36.03		

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OLB745	K Richardson	384.73	
OLB746	K Richardson	52.75	
OLB747	HMRC	96.20	
OLB748	EE	25.99	
OLB749	EE	25.99	
OLB750	PKF	252.00	
OLB751	SLCC	112.00	
OLB752	Ross Lawry	3790.00	
OLB753	K Richardson	337.88	
OLB754	K Richardson	52.75	

RESOLVED c/2023/12 to approve the payments pending as recorded.

11.2 Bank Reconciliation (£)

Brought forward 2022/23	42723.01	Reserve account	30276.80
Receipts to date	36266.94	Current account	31762.98
total	78989.95	total	62039.78
Less payments to date	16950.17	Plus received not banked	Nil
Bank balance at 31 October 2023	62039.78		62039.78

12. Recreational Report

- The recreational report had been circulated.
- One quote had been received re new fencing and for improvements to the access to the football field off Lee Road.

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

- To be the Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on 11 January 2023 at 8.00pm.

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