

QUANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at the Memorial Hall on 24 January 2024 at 8.00pm

Present:

Councillors: Peter Woodliffe-Thomas, Sue Weldon, Nick Butler, Martin Pacetti, Sarah Smith, Katherine Richardson (Clerk)

Members of the public – 0

1. Chairman's introduction

Introductions were made by Cllr Weldon

2. Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED c/2024/01 to accept apologies Cllr Whitlock

3. Declarations of Interests

- Cllr Woodliffe-Thomas declared an interest in CAS due to being appointed as the legal Chairman of the George and Dragon Benefit Society. Also declared an interest in the Monday Club.
- Cllr Weldon declared an interest in planning application 23/0059/REF The Stables

Mrs Smith was co-opted as a Councillor onto the Parish Council

RESOLVED c/2024/02 to approve the co-option of Sarah Smith as a Councillor onto the Parish Council

- Cllr Smith declared an interest in CAS.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 December 2023, had been circulated prior to the meeting, were duly signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED c/2024/03 to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2023

5 Buckinghamshire Council matters

5.1 Update from Cllr Macpherson

- The HS2 Stakeholders group continued to meet.

Chairman's initials:

Date:

- The Station Road railway bridge was now open. Councillors had arranged to meet Cllr Gomm to discuss traffic calming measures. This included applying for additional funding for a SID to be put in place along Station Road. Volunteers would be sought for traffic monitoring using the sentinel.

5.2. Update from the Local Area Technician

- Road damage continued to be reported via FixMyStreet.
- No update re the replacement of the white gates.
- Repairs to the roads in Church Street, Upper Street, Lower Street and The Green were scheduled.
- Concerns re the Willows and Blackgrove Road were raised re the water laying across the roads making it very dangerous, especially due to the ice.

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.
- Attempted break ins had taken place at the allotments. Additional security measures were discussed and agreed as recommended by TVP.

6. To Review Reported Matters Outstanding

6.1 Councillor vacancies

- There is now one Parish Councillor vacancy.

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

- It had been arranged for the curb stones to be reinstalled at the bottom of The Green.
- The PC would take advice from Heritage re the loose stones at the top of The Green.
- UKPN had been contacted re the supply issue for the streetlight along Station Road.

8. Planning Applications

- Enforcement was still in place at Trail Flatt Farm, North End Road and Ladymead Farm.
- It was agreed for enforcement to be contacted re The Stables, Church Street.

9. Clerks Report

9.1 Councillor vacancies

- There is now 1 Councillor vacancy. If anyone is interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact the Parish Clerk.

9.2 Monday Club

- Councillors discussed making a donation to Monday Club, due to funding being withdrawn by Buckinghamshire Council.

RESOLVED c/2024/04 to approve a donation of £4,000 to the Monday Club

9.3 MUGA

- A MUGA working party was agreed which would be led by Cllr Smith. A meeting date was set for 15 February 2024 at 7.00pm.

10. Finance

10.1 Payments for authorisation – December 2023

10.2 Expenditure – payments pending previously circulated			10.3 Income – receipts reported	
OLB764	EE	25.99	EKFB	200.00
OLB765	TEEC	194.39	Interest – reserve account	34.92
OLB766	Yu Energy	50.25		
OLB767	Yu Energy	40.36		
OLB768	Yu Energy	46.37		
OLB769	M Evans	27.29		
OLB770	M Evans	19.77		
OLB771	Kompan	1,339.06		
OLB772	Microsoft	59.99		
OLB773	K Richardson	52.75		
OLB774	K Richardson	335.85		

RESOLVED c/2024/05 to approve the payments pending as recorded.

10.2 Bank Reconciliation (£)

Brought forward 2022/23	42723.01	Reserve account	30347.80
Receipts to date	33573.94	Current account	24211.99
total	76296.95	total	54559.79
Less payments to date	21737.16	Plus received not banked	Nil
Bank balance at 31 December 2023	54559.79		54559.79

Chairman's initials:

Date:

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10.3 Precept and budget for 2024/25

- Councillors discussed the precept and budget for 2024/25.

RESOLVED c/2024/06 to approve the precept of £30,820 (being a 2.6% net increase) and the budget for 2024/25.

11. Recreational Report

- The recreational report had been circulated.
- The tennis club had requested hardcore for the access road to the tennis club.
- An update re the Football Club would be given at the next meeting.

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

- To be the Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on 11 January 2024 at 8.00pm.

Chairman's initials:

Date: