

Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Centre on Wednesday September 15th 2021 at 6.30pm

PRESENT Councillors Ms White (Chairman), Allen, (Vice Chairman), Mrs Brooks, Green, Mrs Hurst, Mrs Lee, Mallard, Mayall B.E.M., Mrs Newstead, Newstead, Roberts M.B.E. and Scott
with County Cllr Girling, one member of the public and the Clerk.

4298 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Lynch, and County Councillors Lee and Smith. Newark Police Inspector Charlotte Allardice who was scheduled to attend the meeting had also sent notice that she was unable to attend owing to a last-minute personal issue. Members expressed their disappointment at this news but were pleased however to note that she had undertaken to attend the next Full Council meeting on October 27th 2021.

4299 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Mrs Brooks, Mrs Hurst and Ms White, as serving members of Newark & Sherwood District Council declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the District Council.

4300 **Public Participation**

The member of the public present did not wish to address the Council.

4301 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on July 7th 2021, having been circulated previously were confirmed as a true record and signed.

4302 **Clerk/Chairman's Update**

An update of ongoing matters from the minutes of the previous Council meeting and subsequent committee meetings was circulated and noted. Updates circulated prior to each committee meeting had been included with the minutes. The following issues were discussed from the update:

a) Council

- 1. Re Minute 4288 Jubilee Working Party** Members undertook to arrange a meeting of the Working Party as soon as possible. County Cllr Girling informed that there could be funding available for Jubilee celebration projects and the County Council is looking to make the application process easier for temporary road closures to encourage street party events.

b) Planning

c) Amenities

d) Finance & General Purposes (F&GP)

1. **Re Minute 7369 Remembrance Sunday Arrangements** Cllr Mrs Brooks advised that St. Giles Church is anticipating a return to a full parade this year despite the Balderton branch of the Royal British Legion having folded and any ongoing Covid 19 restrictions. Cllr Mrs Hurst, who has been involved in the parades in the past through the local British Legion, undertook to make the necessary arrangements on behalf of the Council including any necessary road closure applications. Members expressed their appreciation to her for doing this.

4303 **Committees**

The minutes of the following committees were then approved, confirmed as a true record and signed:

Planning

Amenities

Finance and General Purposes

4304 **Financial Statements**

The details as published and circulated were correct, there being total payment requirements of £23,535.14 for June and £22,273.44 for July 2021.

4305 **Reports from Representatives**

District Cllr Mrs Brooks advised that a company has been contracted by the authority to provide personnel support to the Community Protection Officer team to help enforce breaches of dog control orders, littering offences etc.

County Cllr Girling advised that there is new criteria and an easier application process for the authority's Local Improvement Scheme which has a fund of £1,000,000 available for capital projects in the community.

County Cllr Smith had submitted a written report to update members:

He is working with County officers to resolve drainage issues on Wolfit Avenue, Bullpit Road road markings are to be refreshed, and a speed survey undertaken there. He has nominated sections of Coddington Road between Main Street (including the bridge) and Barnby Road for resurfacing. He has requested speed reductions on Bullpit Road and Barnby Road. He has, with Cllr Lee jointly donated £1000 to the Newark Dementia Carers Group who meet twice weekly in the Village Centre.

Cllr Ms White referred to former Councillor Raymond Rouse's recent resignation, asking that the Council's appreciation to him be recorded. He has been a committed and hard-working Parish Councillor for Balderton and will be sorely missed. Members concurred with these sentiments.

4306 **Highways Faults**

Members were invited to raise any new issues or faults to pass onto relevant authorities:

