Minutes of Smisby Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting 12th January 2021

Smisby Parish Council Attendance: Councillors Rushman, Taft, Cuming, Das and Brooke. Parish Clerk Caroline Crowder

Members of the public and other organisations: One member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

District Councillor Churchill

County Councillor Chilton and District Councillor Haines attending two parish council meetings on the same evening, this meeting concluded before they were able to join.

2. Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda

Councillor Brooke for planning application DMPA/2020/1147: Listed Building Consent for replacement windows and rear elevation doors at Ivanhoe House, Main Street, Smisby, Ashby De La Zouch, LE65 2TY.

3. Any Agenda items that should be taken with the public excluded None

4. Chairman's Communications

The chairman has received an email from County Councillor Chilton and DCC parking enforcement, see section 10.

5. Clerks Report

Missing payment on September 2020 payment schedule, it was agreed during the meeting and paid but needs to be signed off on this month's payment schedule.

6. Public Questions and Comments

Lengthsman advised that she had reported the mattress on Smisby Road to North West Leicestershire Council to remove.



7. Approval of Minutes from Smisby Parish Council Meeting held on 10th November 2020

All Councillors approved and the Chair will digitally sign after the meeting.



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8. War Memorial Roll

It has been suggested that the people who died in World War II go onto the war memorial. **Action Councillor Rushman to write to the War Memorial Trust to find out if this can be achieved.** We can then approach for permission to alter a listed monument. We can then approach the Parochial Charity to see if they could fund this activity.

9. Telephone Box

The telephone box is currently in for paint and this should be ready in February. Foundations have been promised to complete by end of January.

10. Highways

There has been a conflation of the pavement and parking issues. Councillor Rushman has explained the issues to County Councillor Chilton and DCC Highways contact. **Action Councillor Rushman to chase up with DCC Highways contact and request a visit to discuss all issues including the drains.** Clerk has written to Mather Jamie and DCC Highways for the pavement and sign reinstatement at the Poplars.

11. Smisby Lockup

The work needed at the lockup is something that needs to be done during better weather.

Action Councillor Rushman to approach the Parochial Charity to see if they can provide a grant for this work. Council to see if they can add this into their yearly budgets.

12. Communication

The council is planning to send out the next newsletter after the March meeting. This will be the last printed one. After this it is being planned to be an online piece with a few printed copies available in the new telephone box facility. This should enable the Council to reduce their costs. Action the Clerk to contact the advertisers and advise that after this the newsletter will be going virtual.



13. Drains and Flooding

No current issues, however County Councillor Chilton was looking into the work that DCC have said they will do. **Action Councillor Rushman to chase with DCC.**

14. Community Speed Watch

No change, on hold due to current COVID-19 guidelines.

15. Parish Field

Councillor Brooke wrote to Fisher German and the Clerk has forwarded on to them, they are now waiting to hear back from Fisher German on their proposals. The council have had a meeting with the parochial charity over the tenancy and maintenance. **Action Clerk to get quotes for grounds maintenance for the March meeting.**

16. Nomination for Parochial Charity

At the meeting with the charity the nomination was discussed, the Council agreed to Rob Hounslow carrying on as the Parish Council trustee. The Council have written to the Charity to see if we can have more transparency between both organisations. Rob will hopefully be able to attend the Parish Council meetings.

17. Poplars Pavement

The council have written to Jamie Mather and asked them to finish the work. The Clerk has requested that DCC reinstate the pavement and street sign, reference number **F760178**.

18. To discuss and agree any response to any Current Planning Applications

No issues.

19. District and County Councillor Updates

No attendance at this meeting

20. Dates of Future Meetings 2021

9th March, 18th May, 13th July, 14th September, 9th November 2021.

21. Approval of Payments

a.	HMRC	Employer payment	£155.00
b.	Clerk	Clerk's salary	£413.41
C.	D Whitby	Playground inspections	£40.00
d.	H Salt	Lengthsman	£50.00
e.	Bloomin Gardens	Grounds Maintenance	£432.00
f.	Clerk (Zoom)	Zoom Meeting	£14.39
g.	Kilworth Machinery	Newsletter	£56.88
ĥ.	S Rushman	Newsletter printing	£73.20
i.	C Crowder	Print cartridge	£14.99

All Councillors agreed to the payments, Clerk to pay digitally



22. Payments Received

None.

23. Communications received since last meeting

- a. NALC x 20
- b. DALC x 12
- c. County Councillor Chilton x 6
- d. CVS x 5
- e. DCC x 9
- f. SDDC x 6
- g. District Councillor Churchill x 2
- h. Police x 2
- i. District Councillor Haines x
- j. Parochial charity x 2k. Councillor Brooke x 1
- I. Councillor Taft x 1
- m. Councillor Cuming x 2
- n. Office for National Statistics x 5
- o. Air Ambulance Virtual Santa Fun Run x 1
- p. North West Leicestershire Local Plan x 1
- q. Dr Richard Clarke x 1

The Chairman thanked the Parish Councillors for attending and declared the meeting closed. The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 9th March 2021 (virtual or physical to be decided by Clerk and Chair).

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