

MISSON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 7th December 2022 at Misson Community Centre.

Pre-meeting questions from the public: one resident asked the Council to note that a broken boiler and wall damage at the Community Centre had been repaired. Another resident asked when the 'green paper' in respect of the Community Centre would be circulated. This was discussed at item 8 below. One resident asked why lamp post poppies were not placed in Newington or Misson Springs. The Council noted and expressed the intention to purchase further poppies. One resident asked what the Council was doing about overhanging trees. The Chair said that this is a matter for Bassetlaw District Council.

Present: Cllr Walker (chair), Cllr Woolliams (vice chair), Cllr Smith, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Watkins, Cllr Sutherton, Cllr Watson. **Clerk:** B Lowndes

1. No apologies received
2. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests: Cllr Walker - non-pecuniary interest as editor of parish newsletter and trustee of Village Park and Playground Project; Cllr Watkins - non-pecuniary interest as a member of the River Idle Management Partnership. Cllr Sutherton: non-pecuniary interest as a member of the River Idle Management Partnership; Cllr Woolliams - non-pecuniary interest as governor of Misson Primary School; Cllr Morgan - non-pecuniary interest as member of St John's Parochial Church Council.
3. The Council approved the minutes of the previous meeting, which will now be posted on the MPC website.
4. Matters arising: none reported.
5. D Cllr Watson reported as follows:
 - Covid cases continuing to fall in number across Bassetlaw.
 - Planning continues for the STEP reactor at West Burton. The estimated £19 billion in investment is hoped to deliver energy within 15-20 years. First steps include appointment of a strategic and regional board, including BDC, to steer progress. A construction workers' village is to be built. Ways to deliver material will include the River Trent. Possibly 5000 support service jobs will be created; skilled technical and support staff will be needed.
 - Cost of living - twenty-six warm spaces have been created in Bassetlaw. £65000 of grants have been made, including to the community shop which visits Misson.
 - Proposals are being considered to commemorate the reign of Queen Elizabeth II, including planting of trees at various sites.
 - Local PCSO wishes to revive speed watch monitoring, with parish councils to purchase their own equipment. This had proven unpopular in Misson in the past due to the level of aggression received by volunteers from motorists.
 - Bassetlaw full Council meeting to take place on 8 December, where agenda items include climate change and green energy; in particular a motion to extend electric vehicle charging points for people without off street parking, and a proposal to ban fracking on Council-owned land.

C Cllr Taylor reported as follows:

- The devolution deal consultation is currently underway and residents were asked to participate. A link would be placed on the MPC website
 - A consultation is underway on the Notts County Council budget plans. A link would be placed on the MPC website.
 - NCC are involved in progressing plans for the STEP reactor at West Burton.
 - NCC has published information about flooding and emergency planning. A link would be placed on the MPC website.
6. Recent spikes in offensive odour from the Tunnel Tech site on 4 October and later in mid-October were due to acid scrubber failure. A sump cleanup on 19 October and a further failure of the acid scrubber on 10 November caused further odour emissions. Cllr Watson met Environmental Health officers to discuss the continued offensive emissions and asked for more notice when maintenance was to take place. A resident asked why Bassetlaw Council did not have direct contact with residents by attending a meeting. BDC had advised that the current liaison arrangement was preferred.
7. Notts County Council planning department is continuing action in respect of IGas. The contact point is Tim Turner at NCC.
8. A 'green paper' regarding the Community Centre, prepared by the Parish Council, was read out at the meeting; would be placed on the MPC website and forwarded to the chair of Misson Community Association.
9. Policing report for November would be placed on MPC website when received.
10. The issue of sunken grave plots in the cemetery would be addressed by a planned review of cemetery regulations.
11. The Council approved the following payments; Misson Community Association £650 (£500 for floor repairs, £150 for OAP meal); Enterprise payroll services £126.30; Bawtry Forest £297 (Christmas tree); Misson Community Association £20 (hall charge for NP steering group meeting); Brian Lowndes £22 (cemetery grave levelling and refilling salt bins); Staffing - S Scott £195 (includes back pay), B Lowndes 642.20 (includes back pay), HMRC PAYE £153.99 (tax and NI)

Receipts as follows: bank interest £6.08.

Bank Account balances - as at 30 November, Current a/c £10261.95. Business Reserve £10581.18

The Council approved the proposed budget which set out costs totalling £19460 for next FY. It was resolved to carry over discussion of required precept to the January meeting.

12. Planning: To note planning decisions: none received.

Planning applications to consider: 22/0108/FUL - dropped kerb construction, Jubilee Close. The Council resolved not to object.

22/01211/FUL Norwich Hill Farm Newington - The Council considered any works should be in keeping with the Misson Design Guide and asked for further time to comment.

13. Neighbourhood Plan: a Terms of Reference document had been drawn up; the Council resolved to agree with the TOR. The TOR would be placed on the MPC website. A consultancy grant bid had been submitted. Notices had been published on parish noticeboards and other sites to encourage residents to join the steering group.

14. Neighbourhood improvement:

- The Pinfold interpretation panel was still under consideration and would be reviewed in January.
- The Pinfold had been tidied and the plants were now dormant.
- The river bank at River Lane continued to be maintained by MPC.

15. Various groups -

- Cllr Morgan reported that planning for refurbishment work in St John's Church is moving forward.

16. Planning for King's coronation 6 May 2023: The Council resolved to ask the former Jubilee Committee to reconvene to lead planning for events. Councillor Morgan agreed to liaise on behalf of the Council. The Parish Council will see that the Parish Beacon is made available to the new Coronation Committee.

17. Resilience planning: proposals had been prepared and work was underway to set up a store of equipment. The group asked that the store might eventually be located in the car park by the Community Centre. Funding was requested for hessian sacks and shovels. The Council resolved to approve £50 funding for this purpose. Cllr Woolliams would prepare an article for the January newsletter and update progress.

18. Highways and paths:

- A complaint had been received from residents about lorries being unable to find Misson Mill and performing turns in Bawtry Road, leading to unwelcome noise and damage to a garden wall. The Council considered this a risk to the public and the Misson Mill owner's responsibility so asked the Clerk to write to them to advise that Notts CC could supply signage.
- Salt bins had been refilled throughout the parish.
- A resident had asked for better street lighting in Gibdyke. Preliminary enquiries of Notts CC indicated that although they have no obligation to provide this, they will consider a request. Clerk to follow up.

19. Cllr Woolliams had attended a Misson School Governors' meeting and reported that the Friday drop-in session was going well. Pupil numbers stood at 79.

20. Correspondence:

- the Commission for the Protection of Rural England had invited MPC to renew membership for a further year at a cost of £36. The Council resolved to renew.
- Notts County Council asked for volunteers to join an Education Appeals panel. The Council resolved to publicise this by way of a quarter-page advert in the January newsletter.
- Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire advised of an event on 26 January to promote Village Hall Week. The Council resolved to send representatives and had invited Misson Community Association also to attend.

21. Date of next meeting: 4 January 2023.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

B Lowndes

Clerk to Misson Parish Council