Misson Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held at the Community Centre, Vicar Lane, Misson at 7.00pm on Wednesday 15th May 2019.

Present: Cllrs. Jayne Watson (Chair). Jaime Sutherton, Peter Edwards, Andrea Wilcox, Julie Watkins, Andy Woolliams, Mark Hooper (Clerk). One parishioner attended.

Public Questions:

Mandy Walker (Chair of the Misson Community Association) raised the subject of an initiative called the 2020 Project. The intention is to raise funds in order to plant twenty trees during 2020. There will be further research undertaken to determine the type of trees and whereabouts they will be planted

She sought the support in principle of MPC. Council agreed to this.

- 1. Election of Chair Cllr J Watson was nominated by Cllr Edwards and seconded by Cllr Sutherton
- 2. Election of Vice-Chair Cllr Edwards was nominated by Cllr Woolliams and seconded by Cllr Wilcox
- 3. Signing of 'Declarations of Acceptance of Office' by Chair, Vice-Chair & Members
- Register of Members Interests Clerk issued forms to the Council and will return them to Bassetlaw District Council (BDC) by 30th May
- 5. To receive apologies for absence: D Cllr. M Watson, C Cllr T Taylor and PCSO D Airey
- 6. To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests: none declared.
- 7. To approve the minutes of the council meeting of April 3rd 2019. Minutes were signed as a true and accurate record by the Chair.
- 8. To note matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not on the agenda:
 - **Fly Tipping –** there is still an issue at Springs Road in the dyke opposite Cow Pasture Drain and also Hagg lane. Clerk has contacted BDC.
 - **Kissing Gate –** Laura Summers, Notts County Council (NCC) is liaising with the landowner to request removal of a stile to replace with a kissing gate. Clerk in liaison with NCC this is in progress
 - Lengthsmen scheme Clerk has supplied required information to NCC re-funding for 2019/20
 - **Mayflower Oaks Project** Polybell have been contacted to inform them about the scheme. They had already been contacted by BDC and wish to take part.
 - Springs Road RTO speed signs Clerk had contacted NCC further request will be made
 - Replacement notice boards for the outside of the Community Centre Clerk has requested two quotes. To be included on June agenda.
 - Cherry tree on the Green Cllr J Watkins has submitted the requested sketch to BDC Planning
 - Replacement filing cabinet purchased and delivered to the Community Centre
- 9. **To receive reports from District and County Councillors**. No reports submitted by either Councillor and both absent from the meeting.
- 10. **To receive a report on the policing of the Parish**. PCSO David Airey was absent from the meeting but had submitted a report for April. There were several incidents of burglary, criminal damage and theft in the surrounding villages but none directly within Misson

There has been an increase in vehicle crime. The report will be put on to the MPC website

11. Planning

- a) To note planning decisions
- 19/00400/HSE The Cottage, Slaynes Lane, Misson. Erection of summer house in front garden. Granted
- b) To consider planning applications:
- 19/00469/HSE 1 Green View, The Pinfold, Misson. Rear Single Storey Extension and Alteration of Vehicular Access from the Rear to the Front of the Property. Council considered the planning documents and resolved to make the following comment: The proposed work appears to restrict the amount of off-road parking -limiting it to one parking space. There is concern that this would increase on-road parking within an area that already has limited on-road parking available
- 19/00430/PDN Morton Villa Farm Springs Road Misson. Prior Approval for the Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to Two Dwellings (Class C3). Council resolved to make no comment
- **19/00374/CAT** Land Fronting Millfield House Top Street Misson. 1 X Cherry Tree Reduce by Minimum of 5.2 metres over the Highway and 2.5 metres over the Footpath. **Council** resolved to make no comment
- c) To consider any other planning matters.
- Update on Article 4 decision Bassetlaw District Council have confirmed that there will be a discontinuance of the proposed Misson Article 4(1) direction. The Article 4(1) Direction would have removed 'permitted development' rights for certain alterations to unlisted buildings. The decision has been made following public opposition to it. MPC have expressed their disappointment to BDC in not being included in communications and forward notice of the planning meeting.

The MPC wishes it be noted in these minutes that the Misson Conservation area status remains in place and is not impacted by the above decision. The level of planning control associated with the Conservation status also remains in place.

- Diversion of Misson Footpath No. 13 the MPC made an application to add the route from Newington past Norwith Hill to Misson Bridleway No. 2. NCC have requested a diversion to the original route in order to avoid the path going through private gardens the diversion is now the subject of this consultation. MPC has previously agreed to support such a diversion proposal to protect the privacy of the Norwith Hill residents. Cllr Sutherton asked for clarity that the route would have the status of bridleway rather than just footpath. Action: Clerk to confirm this with NCC
- Application for a Modification Order Footpath for a footpath from Misson to Finningley. Council resolved to make no comment
- **18/01403/FUL** Land at Norwith Hill, Bawtry Road, Misson. Change of use of agricultural field to green burial ground. This had been refused by BDC Planning an appeal has now been lodged. **Council resolved to make no comment**

12. The Neighbourhood Improvement Programme

- Lengthsmen
 - The purchase and delivery of a mower and strimmer (approved at the April meeting) has been undertaken. It was agreed that MPC would meet the full cost as sufficient funds are available. Action – Clerk to confirm position re road tax and insurance for the mower.
 - There has been a change in the Lengthsmen personnel. Following discussion, the Lengthsman who was undertaking the cutting of the grass on the Green, Pinfold etc has decided to no longer continue on a regular basis – he will remain available for ad

hoc pieces of work if they arise. Somebody else has been approached and agreed to undertake this. They have already begun cutting the grass to the satisfaction of the PC

- Cemetery update the new mower and strimmer have been used successfully and work continues to level the older graves. Climbing plants have been planted along the boundaries
- Churchyard update a wildflower survey has been undertaken which has identified over 30 wildflower species reflecting the biodiversity within the area. The full survey is available on the PC website. In order not to disturb the wildflowers mowing has been restricted around them. Action: Cllr J Watkins asked the PCs to view the Churchyard and provide comments at the next meeting
- Community Payback Scheme there have been a number of instances over the last few arranged visits by CPS where the planned work has not been undertaken and equipment has not been supplied as anticipated. The PC decided as a result CPS would not be utilised on a regular basis going forward. Action – Clerk to contact CPS to explain the PC decision but to retain the potential for utilising the scheme on an ad hoc basis.
- Newington Sign update from Clerk the company the order has been placed with is in the process of changing ownership. The order will be completed but on a slower timescale. NCC have been informed of this and are content. Clerk will keep the PC informed of progress
- Christmas Tree: no update to make. Action Clerk to follow up with C Cllr Taylor

13. Business Liaison

- Odour emissions from Tunnel Tech. The April figures have not been received for April. Action – Clerk to follow up with BDC.
- Simon Middlebrook (General Manager of Tunnel Tech North) attended the Annual Parish Meeting on the 1st May and gave an update on progress to enclose the bunker refilling area and install a scrubbing system and bio-filter to eliminate the odour. Work should be completed by the end of the year.
- BDC were invited to attend the meeting but there was nobody available.
- Doncaster Airport Committee there has been no meeting since the last PC meeting
- IGas Springs Road CLG Cllr. Edwards attended the meeting on the 11th April. The vertical drilling of some 3,500 metres has come to an end, the well will be covered and the drilling equipment removed from site. Analysis of the cores will take a few months. IGas have confirmed that they will not commence drilling of the second well until they have a clear indication that they will receive permission to frack it.
- 14. **To receive a report from Misson Community Association**. Cllr Wilcox provided the following update:
- Mandy Walker has been appointed as the new Chair and is looking at new ideas for the group to pursue
- The Easter bunny treasure hunt was a great success with 27 children taking part
- The village Spring clean-up went well with 16 people joining in.
- The annual Village Show will be held on the 31st August with the auction on the 1st September.
- There are plans to stage a version of Steptoe and Son with the Hambleden Production Company on the 23rd November
- The MCA wishes to place an advert in the Bawtry Today and have requested that the MPC pays for this in order to reclaim the VAT and MCA will reimburse the net amount. Council agreed to this. Action – Clerk to contact MCA

 MCA have requested that MPC meet the cost of the Community Centre Insurance (Buildings cover) (£596) and Rates (£105.84). This has been met in previous years.
Council agreed to this. Action – Clerk to contact MCA and confirm the decision – cheque to be approved at June meeting

15. To discuss renewal of the Community Centre lease and formal request made by MCA for an interim extension:

At the April PC meeting the potential for extending the lease to September was discussed and endorsed by MPC. Action – Clerk to inform MCA of this decision. With regards to arranging a new lease it would be desirable to have a meeting between MPC and MCA to discuss requirements. Cllrs J Watkins, A Wilcox and A Woolliams volunteered to attend this meeting OBO MPC. Action – Cllr Wilcox to facilitate a meeting of MPC/MCA. Action – Clerk to forward copy of current lease to PCs Once the requirements of the new lease have ben decided the Clerk will contact a solicitor (Foys in Worksop) to discuss the drawing up of the new lease

16. To discuss progress of the Misson Parish Newsletter.

Mandy Walker has been working on a draft of the newsletter which she will share with the PCs by the 20th May for their review. It will then be produced as a draft of the final product for review by CIIrs A Wilcox, P Edwards and J Watson. M Walker will then finalise it and it will be issued to the PCs with the agenda for the June meeting on the 29th May. Action - CIIrs A Wilcox, P Edwards and J Watson to review the draft newsletter.

17. To receive a report from Frack Free Misson: No report this month. An update of recent activity has been leafletted around the parish.

18. To review highways and parish paths including River Lane update

Issues with interactive speed sign – this appears to be working intermittently. Action – Chair to pass on contact details to Clerk to follow up.

Request PC consent to contact Viaem re Highways issues – consent given. Action – Clerk to contact NCC Highways

Update re Vicar Lane Verge – NCC Highways have confirmed that they will not give permission for the installation of bollards as the road is narrow and they do not consider there to be excessive damage due to overriding.

River Lane – MPC have received a response from the Environment Agency Asset Performance Team – the responsibility for the riverbank lies with the riparian owner who are NCC Highways. Action Cllr J Watkins and the Clerk to progress contact with NCC Highways.

The MPC are concerned that the land alongside the river bank has recently been flayed, late into the season. Previous discussions with the EA indicated that any cutting would be at the start and end of the growing season in order to avoid the loss of habitat for emerging and breeding wildlife. There has been evidence of destruction of a grass snake colony in previous years and it was agreed that a walk through would be carried out to move the wildlife on before the cutting was undertaken with strimmers. Cllr Watkins has contacted the EA expressing her disappointment and is awaiting a response

19. **To receive a report on Misson Cemetery/Churchyard**. Cllr J Watkins raised the question re whether a formal inspection is due. Action Chair to confirm if inspection is due.

Cllr Watkins requested permission to purchase climbing plants (approx. £25). Council agreed to this

20. **Communications**: - covered elsewhere on the agenda

21. Parish Financial administration

Notice of audit of annual accounts – the accounts for 2018/19 have been completed and the internal audit is due to be undertaken in June in advance of the deadline of 30th June. **Cllr Woolliams (a non**-signatory on the PC bank accounts) has been appointed as the councillor who will sign the accounts and bank statements quarterly and at the end of the financial year as evidence of verification.

Approval of banking mandate – Council approved mandate for Clerk to obtain viewing access on-line banking.

To receive and approve:

 The clerk presented the Financial statements to the 30th April 2019 and Council resolved to accept them

NatWest Current Acc.	@ 30/04/19	£17,082.62
NatWest Reserve Acc.	@ 30/04/19	£10,540.61

• Councillors resolved to approve the following cheques for payment.

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Amount

Chq no	Payee	Description	Amount
001139	PCC St John the	PC contribution to Church clock maintenance	£200.00
	Baptist Church		
001140	M Guest	Lengthsman – April	£76.17
001141	Notts ALC	Clerk training	£60.00
001142	C Tweedale	Lengthsman – April	£61.79
001143	J Watkins	Reimbursement re petrol and plants	£63.70
001144	HMRC	PAYE April	£51.20
001145	S Scott	TEC Clerk salary – April	£213.60
001146	M Hooper	MPC Clerk salary – April	£235.55
001147	M Hooper	Reimbursement re Filing Cabinet	£169.20
001148	M Hooper	Reimbursement re Stationery	£12.65
001149	BDC	Wheelie Bins	£154.44
001150	J Watkins	Reimbursement re blue slate for Cemetery	£75.30
001151	M Guest	Lengthsman – May	£55.00
001152	E Jordan	Lengthsman – March	£142.61
001153	E Jordan	Lengthsman – April	£312.40
001154	Zurich Municipal	Parish Council Insurance	£366.04

22. To receive feedback from meetings attended in April. None

- 23. To receive correspondence: Request received to support the Notts Wildlife Trust to continue as Catchment Hosts for the River Idle Catchment Partnership. Council agreed to this. Action Clerk to confirm with NWT
- 24. To confirm the date of the next meetings: Wednesday 5th June 2019