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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 24th  
February 2021 via Zoom**

Councillors present Jacqui Colbourne (late), Robert Dixon, Jenny Innes (Chair), Anglea McNally and David Neale  
Also present 6 Members of the Public and Sue Cook (Clerk)

**21/12 There were no Apologies**

**21/13 There were no declarations of interest.**

**21/14 There were no question from the Members of the public**

**21/15** It was resolved to accept the **Minutes of the meetings held on 27th January as a true record.**

**21/16 Matters arising**

- a) **Pathfinder III project-** both Mr Hunt and Cllr Dixon walked around the village with a resident, who has lived most of his life in Sudborough. The resident pointed out current and historic issues with flooding. This and a mass of other information will be fed into the survey which has still to be carried out by the flood engineer appointed by NCC. The Environment Agency will be carrying out a far wider survey under Section 19 Investigation. The NCC are currently applying for grants with a sense of urgency. Cllr Dixon along with Chris Featherstone, Mark Hatsell and Matthew Hunt are working hard. Cllr Innes also reported that the bridge has been assessed by NCC with a view to being repaired.
- b) **Asset of the Community – Vane Arms** -Nothing further to report.
- c) **Cowthick Plantation** – The Clerk has written twice to CBC to ensure that Sudborough Parish Council see all the planning applications for the site, with still no confirmation from them. Cllr Dixon reported that Tom Pursglove MP is organising a Zoom meeting with all parties on 9th April. It was agreed to bring suggestions of what questions should be asked to the next meeting.
- d) **Rights of Way Officer** the Clerk has had no joy with this..
- e) **The Bollards on the village green** – the Clerk confirmed that NCC via Fix my Street have agreed to repair the damaged bollards.
- f) **Grass Cutting** – It was resolved to accept the quote of £105 plus VAT per cut for 16 cuts for the next 2 years. The Clerk to contact Mowerman Grounds Maintenance to confirm the contract with them.

- g) **Parking** - Cllr Colbourne reported that there is an ongoing problem with inconsiderate parking on Main Street. It was agreed that Cllr Innes would draft up a polite notice reminding people to be more considerate to be placed on the Village Facebook account and for the Clerk to email to the residents.
- h) **Vacancy for Parish Clerk** - both Cllr Innes and Cllr Colbourne are interviewing one candidate on Monday 1st March
- i) **Election** - the Clerk reported that there is still nothing on East Northants Council website to confirm the date of May 6th, the Clerk has emailed ENC for confirmation. It was agreed in the meantime to put the Election poster on the website, email the Residents on the Community Email Distribution list, the Village Facebook page and on the Noticeboard.
- j) **Police Liaison Representative** - The Clerk has had one resident come forward. Decision to be made at the next meeting.

**21/17**

**Correspondence** – The following items of correspondence had been circulated to the Councillors prior to this meeting with no further action required:

- a) NCALC Updates (Northamptonshire County Association of Local Councils)
- b) Final Consultation stage for East Northamptonshire Local Plan
- c) Highways Procurement project

**21/18 Planning Matters:**

- a) There were no objections to NE/21/00114/TCA - tree works at Brook House.

**Outstanding Planning Applications**

- a) 20/00260/DPA Fircroft Nurseries Stanion – Approved by CBC
- b) 20/00962/TCA – tree works at 1 Brewery Yard - Approved

**21/19 Finance**

- a. **The Bank Statement.** Cllr Innes reported that the current bank balance shows a credit of £14544.50.
- b. There were no payments to be made.
- c. The Clerk has had one quote for £22 per month from a **payroll company** and will continue to obtain quotes before the next meeting.

**21/20**

**The following items raised from the previous meetings not dealt with elsewhere on the Agenda.**

It was agreed that the updating of the asset register should be carried over to the next meeting

**21/21**

**Future Agenda Items**

- a) Noticeboard outside the Village Hall is in need of being replaced, Cllr Colbourne to bring this to the attention of the Village Hall Committee at the next meeting.
- b) Communication with non computer users, due to Covid 19 restrictions there is no requirement to publish the agendas on the notice board which in turn means that non computer users are not

aware of when the meetings are. It was agreed to publish the Parish Council's future meeting dates on the notice board.

**21/22**      **Date of the next Full Parish Council Meeting:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021 with the Annual Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting and the first Full Council Meeting of the newly formed Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 19th May 2021

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

**Confirmed that the minutes are a true and accurate record**

Chairman

Dated