Minutes of a meeting of Costock Parish Council held on Wednesday June 19, 2019 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Couns. Mrs Kath Owen
Everard Robinson Mrs Sharon Wilson
Peter Gordon Michael Mears

Also present the clerk Mike Elliott, Notts County Council member John Cottee and Rushcliffe Borough Council member Reg Adair.

The chairman Coun. Mr Kath Owen signed her declaration of acceptance of office form.

The meeting was informed that Mr Phil Lilley had resigned from the council since the last meeting.

- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, WITH REASONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL There were none
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON MAY 15, 2019 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman

4 CLERK'S REPORT

The council was able to co-opt members without the usual advertising etc if it does so before June 21. After that dates it had to undertake the formal advertising and eventually co-opt new members. Two names were being put forward, Polly Brant and Nicole

A request had been received from a relative who was trying to trace Mr Alan Lane, a former village resident. Coun. Mears informed the meeting that Mr Lane had died a few days previously.

5. REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER

Coun. Reg Adair said there was not much to report from the Borough council. He said he was able to offer the council £200 from his Community Fund if it had a project in mind.

Coun. Cottee reported on a number of items from the County Council and explained the Local Improvement Scheme larger grants section would be announcing shortly which schemes would be benefitting in the current financial scheme and confirmed he had supported the Costock application for funding for new play equipment. He also advised that both Church Lane and Chapel Lane were to be included in a works programme in the current financial year.

Later this year the Council, he said, would be introducing a Permit Scheme involving contractors working on highways.

Coun. Cottee would report to the County a problem of overhanging hedges at two properties on Main Street. If the occupants did not undertake the work requested the county would do it and charge.

6. DEFIBRILATOR

Coun. Peter Gordon said he had carried out an inspection of the unit with Coun. Mears and he would be able to take on the responsibility if needed. It was planned to stage another CPR meeting through Community Heart Beat in September.

7. VILLAGE HALL

Comment was made on the amount of chalk used by the Playgroup, some of it on the outside wall. The chairman said she would raise the matter with the group leaders. The large amount of stored items by the group was also mentioned.

CORRESPONDENCE

Local resident Patricia Lowes wrote in regard to a need for overgrown shrubs on the open land near to the Pinfold to be cut back. It was agreed to ask Peter James to trim the growth but not totally remove it.

VIA advised the council they were now totally owned by Notts County Council, the shares having been owned by Cornwall County Council having been purchased.

In the month of May there had been a total of 231 visits to the council website, including hits from Canada and India.

PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe applications

Demolition of existing house and garage and replacement with new house and garage with on site photovoltaic panel array. Four Winds Ash Lane. Ref. No: 19/01046/FUL. No objection.

Rushcliffe decisions

19/00395/ful Shaheed Ikbal, change of use from storage and warehousing to vehicle repairs, MOT showroom and car showroom and construct new boundary fence. Parklands, Loughborough road. Permit 19/00124/conare Fiona Greenwood, prune back overhanging from the neighbour's lime tree, 22 Main Street. Permit.

PLAYING FIELD

The clerk confirmed the school as usual had been asked to organise the grass cutting of the playing field during the summer holiday period.

11. NATURE RESERVE

Coun. Everard Robinson reported the recent heavy rainfall period had topped up both the large and small pond. There were large tadpoles to be seen. Concerns were expressed that stones on the site had been thrown into the ponds. The clerk confirmed that users of council owned equipment on the site would be included in the council insurance. There was a need for a risk assessment to be taken on use of such equipment.

12. FINANCE -- ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list

13. WEBSITE

The webmaster has asked a question in regard to how members show their contact details on the website, currently a personal phone number and their photograph appears. Under the new DATA Protection act a councillor can make the choice of which method of contact they want to show on a website. Coun. Gordon said he was happy with the parish council email being used. The chairman said her telephone number and the PC email could appear for her, the same as for Couns. Wilson and Mears. Coun. Robinson was happy for his telephone number to be available.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The chairman said she planned another newsletter shortly and would update readers on the situation in regard to vacancies on the council.

15. QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

There were none

16. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING –WEDNESDAY JULY 17, 2019 AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR IT. It was agreed that the meeting would start at 6-30pm with a small agenda.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm.