

Present: Cllrs: Andrew Sibree, Sarah Lambert, Rob Thring, Chloe Jardine Price, Ann Doody

In Attendance: County Cllr B Lovegrove, Borough Cllr R Sharp

Members of the Public: 2

Public Participation:

A member of the public informed the Council that the Leicester Diocese was looking to amalgamate various Parochial Church Councils.

24/1532

Apologies:

None

24/1533

Declarations of Disclosable & Pecuniary Interests in Agenda Items:

None

24/1534

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on the 16th July 2024:

It was unanimously agreed the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 16th July 2024 were a true record and the Minutes were duly signed by the acting Chairman.

24/1535

Co-option Vacancy to Council

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Lambert and seconded by Cllr Jardine Price that Mr Martin Shepherd be co-opted on to the Council as there were no other proposals this was unanimously agreed. Mr Shepherd signed the Acceptance Office of Councillor form in the presence of the Clerk and joined the meeting.

24/1536

Reports:

County Councillor Bryan Lovegrove

Cllr Lovegrove mentioned the boundary commissions review of wards and Parishes and in particular the Melton Borough Council had been singled out for review, a proposal had been made to include various Parishes into the Bottesford Ward. The County Council had published a consultation document to improve rail and bus transport in the County following receiving funding from Central Government. The programme of repairing roads in the County continued with worst being done first by a combination of resurfacing and patching.

Borough Councillor Richard Sharp

Cllr Sharp advised that the Borough were buying a drone to assist in planning and enforcement .and would be used by other departments following training of Council staff. Cllr Sharp was attending a meeting at MBC to discuss the boundary commissions proposals to balance up the size of various Wards in the Borough.

24/1537

Planning:

24/00676/LBC – New triple pane sliding glass door in place of existing double doors Remove existing drain pipes and relocate internally. Replace existing arched window glass with double glazing. – The Old Rectory, 16 Church St, Scalford – no comments to make

24/00708/FUL – Erection of Bungalow as succession agricultural workers dwelling self-build – Land of Wycomb Lane, Scalford – no comments to make



Planning continued

24/00705/FULHH – Proposed extensions and alterations to existing dwelling – Grange Farm, Ironstone Lane Scaford. – no comments to make

24/1538

Finance:

The Clerk provided a bank reconciliation up to 31st July as below:

Bank Statements		Income	Expenditure
Current Account	£ 383.10	£15605.63	£10026.24
Instant Access A/c	£54275.71		
Total	£54658.81		

The above was unanimously agreed as the Council financial position at the 31st July 2024

24/1539

Notice Board Chadwell:

After discussion it was unanimously agreed to buy a notice board made from recycled material dark in colour two bay 4 x A4 Portrait 2 door glazed 1 door lockable estimated price £1400.00 plus fitting £300.00

24/1540

Financial Regulations:

These had been discussed previously a couple of amendments required, Cllr Sibree to provide Clerk with amended hard copy as soon as possible return to next month's Agenda for adoption.

24/1541

Lease of Substation at Village Hall:

The current lease had recently expired National Grid had indicated a wish to purchase the freehold after discussion it was unanimously agreed not to sell the freehold and request a 10year lease at £100 pa index linked year on year.

24/1542

Insurance

Clerk advised the current agreement was fixed price for 3 years this renewal was 2nd year, the revue to establish whether any of the existing cover needed improving was discussed unanimously agreed to leave as it was.

24/1543

Cemetery:

Following receipt of an email re condition of Cemetery Cllrs had visited to see for themselves, after discussion it was felt it was generally well maintained the only area that was problematical was the bins near the entrance. It was therefore agreed to remove the brown bin, have a black bin for general waste. Install the old notice board from Chadwell when it became available for Notices in the meantime put up laminated notices asking users to put compostable material on compost heap at bottom end of Cemetery, Cllr Sharp to establish with MBC whether the refuse operator would collect the bin from inside the cemetery or if it had to be put roadside for emptying.

24/1544

Slide:

Cllr Sibree advised he had a quote for replacing legs with a set of stainless-steel legs at a cost of £435.00 to include uplifting slide plus £143.00 for roll bar at top. It would then need existing legs removing from concrete Cllr Jardine Price to ask Mark Watchorn if he could do this.

24/1545

Planning Discussion:

Matter raised by resident on Councils view on future planning regarding wind turbines and solar panels following change of government it was agreed to await further developments from central government.

24/1546

Gates Recreational Field:

Two gate posts were broken at bottom one gate was missing, it was agreed to defer to next meeting.

24/1547

Sewerage into Mawbrook:

Cllr Thring agreed to contact Sarah Manning who had highlighted the problem in the first place and reported it to the Environment Agency to establish what had been said.

24/1548

Snow warden Scheme:

Matter raised by Cllr Jardine Price there had not been a lot of interest from the public but an event at the Village Hall was coming up where it would be raised.

24/1549

Village Hall Exterior:

There was a problem with dampness on the back wall of the hall and there was a water overflow coming from the roof area of the hall, Cllr Shepherd said there was a working party meeting this coming Saturday which would look into the problem.

Clerks Report:

24/1550

Nothing to report

24/1551

Matters arising from emails circulated and other matters– issues raised to go to next Agenda

Nothing to go next Agenda

24/1531

Items for Next Agenda:

Date of Next Meeting: 17th September 2024 at 7.00 pm in Scalford Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.52 pm



Chairman Scalford Parish Council

Date: 17-9-2024

