# Minutes of the Meeting of Plumtree Parish Council held on Monday 21 March 2022, in the Burnside Memorial Hall, at 7.00pm.

Couns. Mike Bylina (chairman),

Adrian Kerrison, Jonnie Richards, Andrew Burnett,

Penny Perkins (A), Mike Clark, Richard Fielding

Also present Clerk Mike Elliott and Notts County Council member Coun. John Cottee.

1. Apologies for Absence

 Coun. Perkins.

1. Declarations of Interest

 There were none.

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 January 2022

 Accepted as presented, approved and signed by the chairman.

1. Open Session for members of the public

 Coun. Clark updated the meeting on the question of the FTTP Broadband scheme situation in the parish. He said he had continued talking with Open Reach but said progress had not always been as successful or quick as he would have hoped. He was thanked for his work on this matter. He told the meeting he was hopeful that the scheme might be completed by the end of the following month.

1. Clerk’s Report

 All parish councils are being asked to support refugees from Ukraine if there are any local groups of them formed in the area or if parish groups hold fund raising events for them to take on the responsibility for meeting the cost of such bookings

 All councils have been asked to ensure arrangements are in hand at the time of the death of Her Majesty, and as far as we know this is in order. The Memoriam book is in the church safe and we have the official photograph of the Queen that is to stand by it when available for signature. The office is working with Rushcliffe Borough Council in regard to the necessary announcement to go on our website.

1. Report from the Borough and County Councillors

 Coun. Cottee addressed the meeting and spoke on various subjects, including the County Council's new leader Coun. Ben Bradley who as well as leading the County’s work was also a visitor to the Prime Ministers Chamber as an MP. The councillor said the County Council were looking to move to a cabinet style of administration. He advised the meeting that it was anticipated the Tour of Britain cycle race would be returning to Rushcliffe this year but as yet no information had been confirmed on the route it would take. It was also expected the 2023 event would include Rushcliffe on the route.

 Coun. Cottee said the Government were still opposed to allowing councils to hold meetings if it wished on the Zoom system.

 A number of local councils were displaying a Ukrainian flag in support of them in their battle with Russia. And it was agreed Plumtree should.

1. Correspondence

 The clerk was asked to remind the parish council at Normanton on the Wolds it had a need to meet half the remaining cost of hiring DGmusic for the Queen’s Platinum dance in Burnside Hall at Plumtree on June 4. The band had originally been booked to take part in a dance to mark VE day but that had been cancelled due to the Covid pandemic. A.sum of £600 is due to be paid by Normanton.

 Laura Trusler, Notts County Council highways officer wrote to say they had no plans to impose a new speed limit or traffic calming on the highway between Plumtree and Keyworth.

 Notts County Council and Nottingham City Council would welcome comments for their survey on the Waste Local Plan.

 A letter from the Noticeboard company was offering a queen's platinum plaque to fix on existing parish notice boards. The clerk was asked to investigate.

1. Finance

**Accounts for Payment** were approved as circulated.

1. HM The Queen – Platinum Jubilee June 2, 3, 4 and 5 2022

 A discussion took place on the proposals for marking the Queen’s Platinum celebrations in June when she would be the longest serving and oldest monarch in the world.

 A dance was due to be held in Burnside Hall at Plumtree on a joint basis with Normanton on the Wolds parish council there on June 3. A jazz band had been booked and would be playing between 7pm and 8pm and then between 8.40pm and 9.30pm. Admission will be £5 with profit going to the Royal British Legion.

 The council had ordered108 Queens commemorative mugs and these would be on sale at the various jubilee events, at £5 50p each, and bore the name Plumtree parish council and a coloured picture of Her Majesty.

 Activities at St Mary's Church on June 3 to culminate in the lighting of a beacon at 9.45pm and a street party for residents on Church Lane on June 5 this will generate a street closure request.

 On Saturday July 4, The Loxley Saxophone Ensemble will play in St Mary's Church 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Tea and cakes will be available. This will be part of the Platinum Jubilee celebration.

1. Website

 The clerk said all was well with the website.

1. Environment

 Village Parking - The chairman spoke of the continuing problems in the village of vehicle parking. He said most of the difficulties arose because of parking by staff working at the village school. There had been written and personal contact with the headmaster Mr Paul *[sic]* Simpson, who had agreed to raise matters with his staff, but no changes seem to have been forthcoming. Council members expressed strong concerns on the current situation, saying some action was needed to tackle the present unsatisfactory situation.

 The cricket club had proposals for additional car parking provision to be made available on their ground. They were seeking financial help towards the estimated £9500 and the meeting agreed that if the project went ahead the council would make £1500 of its funds available.

1. Planning

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 22/00088/ful. Gregg Beer, 3 Bradleys Yard, first floor side extension over garage and single storey rear/side extension. Grant.

 The single storey rear extension section has been withdrawn.

 21/03075/ful. Mr Jawahar. Rectory Cottage, Church Lane. Erect single storey side/front extension to link the existing dwelling with a new conversion of the existing barn building. Demolish porches and construct new. Refused.

 21/03115/ADV. Sarah Hewitt, land at junction of Melton Road and Main Street. Application withdrawn.

1. Date of Next Meeting

 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Monday 23 May 2022**, which will be the annual meeting and the parish meeting.