# Normanton on the Wolds Parish Council

Minutes of the General Meeting of Normanton on the Wolds Parish Council held at

**Burnside Memorial Hall, Church Hill, Plumtree** on **Tuesday 5th November 2024** at **6.30pm.**

**Councillors present:** Cllr Kay Cutts (Chair), Cllr Vivienne Ives (Vice), Cllr Aruna Day,

Cllr Dawn Clements, Cllr Jodi Gray.

**Officers**: Lesa Gilbert – Parish Clerk.

**Also present:** NCC/RBC Cllr Richard Butler, RBC Cllr Kier Chewings.

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1. **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Richard Stewart - accepted. Cllr Nathan Cutler - not present.
2. **Declarations of interests** – None*.*
3. **Chairman’s announcement** – Since our last meeting the refurbishment of our village phone box library has been completed. The outside has been repainted in post office red, with the crowns on three sides picked out in gold paint. The interior shelves have been replaced with new ones and a space left for notices. This has instruction on where to locate the defibrillator and could also be used for other general notices of village matters and events. My thanks go to Richard Stewart for removing and storing the books whilst the work was being carried out. Thanks also go to Jodie, Dawn, Aruna and Richard for sorting out the old book stock and replacing the new back into the library.

Vivienne has been active in having the long-planned plaque commemorating the Coronation of King Charles III installed on the Coronation stone located on the green triangle in the centre of the old village. I think it is a fitting tribute by our village to our King.

This month is Remembrance Day and a wreath from NOTW will be placed on The War Memorial during the Remembrance Day Service, held at our Parish Church in Plumtree. I have asked Dawn Clements to place the wreath on behalf of our PC.

We are still hoping to have training before the winter months on Flood Wardens duties by Nottinghamshire CC. Vivienne is kindly coordinating this with the council. As yet we have not been able to arrange this.

An ad hoc meeting was held to forward our plan for the village conservation scheme meeting, with Rushcliffe BC, thanks must go to Vivienne for hosting this and good progress is being made. We have a further meeting planned with RBC towards this end. My thanks go to our excellent Clerk Lesa for all the work she carries out on behalf on Normanton-on-the-Wolds PC, between and for meetings. I also place on record my thanks to all the Parish Councillors who give of their time freely for the benefit of our village. Thanks also to our NCC/RBC Councillors. - *Cllr Kay Cutts, Chairman NOTW PC.*

1. **Minutes from the PC Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd September 2024 for acceptance**: Council agreed accurate and signed by Chair.
2. **Open Session for the public to raise matters of council business:** No residents present*.*
3. **Reports – to consider:**
   1. **District and County Council Members**: RBC Cllr Kier Chewings reported on the Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan. Also updated Council on the latest RBC Design Code status which will go out to consultation shortly. Chair asked how the Design Code will be adopted now given the Gov increased housing demands. Cllr Chewings explained that the Borough has been instructed to continue as initially planned but is aware the new housing demands could impact. Cllr Ives enquired how the Design Code fits with RBC Local Planning Strategy. Cllr Kier explained that the Design Code is an extension of the LP and will need to also be referenced/considered for planning applications.

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-- NCC/RBC Cllr Richard Butler highlighted that small electrical items can now be recycled if residents put them out on top of their recycling bin to be collected. Also, flagged that batteries can still be recycled if left out too. Chair enquired whether light bulbs can be left out and Cllr Butler will find out. – Cllr Butler also reported that the flood warden training has been a success so far and highlighted the flood signage scheme. Chair flagged that the latest training offered is quite some distance from Rushcliffe area to travel too. Chair also asked for an update on the Lady Bay bridge over the Trent. Cllr Butler said that whilst RBC has been involved in the planning it’s a Nottingham City project funded by the Government but appears to still be a long way from commencing works.

* 1. **Parish Councillors reports –** 
     1. Conservation Area Appraisal - Cllr Ives gave an update on the appraisal and flagged the forthcoming meeting with RBC Conservation Officer in a few weeks’ time to understand how to transfer over all the information collated.
     2. Flood warden training – as already discussed earlier in the meeting the training in Stapleford is inconvenient but Cllr Ives, Clements, Day are hoping to attend.

Chair highlighted the Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan and Council agreed to review and feed any comments to the Clerk delegated to collate and submit.

1. **Financial matters:** Clerkupdated Council on pc finances*-* 
   1. **Expenditure and Income** – Total expenditure over Aug 24 is £1,353 and income is £0. Expenditure over Sept 24 is £1,242 / income £0. Payments noted by Council and invoices signed.
   2. **Bank balance and reconciliations** – as of 31/3/24, current ac: £15,079 – bank statements/reconciliation noted by Council and signed by the Chair.
   3. **Budget to actuals** **ytd** – Council reviewed the budget ytd – Council voted unanimously on finances/controls in-order to date.
2. **Parish Council services and operations:** 
   1. Village planters – Council discussed winter planting schemes for the village planters and noted remaining budget. Council agreed to purchase winter plants.
   2. Chair highlighted that the PC hasn’t received correspondence regarding the Burnside Hall AGM as per management requirements. Council agree to contact Trustee Chair on this matter.
   3. Council discussed the Coronation stone official unveiling and agreed to put a notice in the next newsletter to highlight a small unveiling event in the Spring.
3. **Planning Matters**:

To consider and comment on live applications notified to the Parish Council, including:

* 1. Any other application received prior to the meeting: *None.*
  2. Confirm expired planning applications responded to under delegated authority:*None.*
  3. Notices received of planning decisions taken by Rushcliffe Borough Council:
     1. *24/01343/FUL - Wolds Lodge, Old Melton Road - Replacement dwelling, landscaping, external swimming pool.- Granted.*

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1. **Urgent matters received prior to the meeting** – Council agreed to contact RBC to send the road sweeper round to clear the fallen leaves.
2. **Date for the next Parish Council meeting:** Tuesday 7th January 2025 at 6.30pm, held at The Burnside Memorial Hall, Plumtree – noted by Council.

*Meeting closed to public: 7.12pm*

Signed by Chair:

Dated: