

South Croxton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd June 2024 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall

Councillors present: Cllr Elizabeth Norton, Cllr Vicki Newbery, Cllr Dan Fryer, Cllr Jane Daly, Borough Cllr Chris O'Neill,
In attendance: Clerk – Mr SC Johnson, Members of the Public – 0

Due to the absence of the Chair, Councillors resolved to appoint Cllr Daly to chair this meeting.

SC 24/41 Welcome to the meeting

The Chairman, Cllr Daly, welcomed those present.

SC 24/42 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Dave Morris – previous meeting

SC 24/43 Disclosure of Interests and Dispensation by Councillors for this meeting

No Disclosure of interests or dispensations were declared at the start of or during the meeting.

SC 24/44 Approve by resolution and sign Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 13th May 2024

The minutes, circulated before this meeting, were approved by resolution – proposed by Cllr Newbery, seconded by Cllr Norton, no objections. The minutes were signed by the Chair, Cllr Daly. Clerk to add the minutes to the website and file a copy.

SC 24/45 Borough Councillors' Report

Cllr O'Neill submitted his report a copy of which is added at the end of these minutes. Also raised was the 'No Mow May' related to not cutting back verges by Highways. The practice has provided visibility problems for drivers, especially those with smaller vehicles. A further matter is the difficulty in reporting fly tipping or other matters in rural settings where no post code exists – the website ceases to function without this detail. Advice is use the phone or email.

SC 24/46 Matters Arising from meeting minutes of 13th May 2024

SC 24/23(c) The Street Lighting invoice was paid in April 2024 but the cheque was returned by CBC. The invoice has now been paid by DD though not yet shown on the bank statement. Thus the Revised Accounts still show the invoice as paid but the amount is also included in the uncleared cheques amount.

SC24/25 The certificate of Exemption has been emailed to Moore's, the auditor, but has not been acknowledged. They were reminded by email on 26th May 2024.

SC 24/47 Planning Matters for meeting on 3rd June 2024

Travellers site – An Enforcement Notice, E11 Ref No. E/22/0225, Signed 26/05/2023, was served on 1st June 2023 to take effect from 7th July 2023. A recent planning application (P/23/0617/2) has been withdrawn. 3 large caravans removed from site. No report from Planning since meeting On 13th May 2024.

P/22/1640/2 Change of use of land on Kings Lane from Agricultural to Agricultural/Equestrian to include livery, provision of menage, formation of parking/turning area and siting of mobile home. (Resubmission of P/21/1949/2). Classified as REGISTERED on 3rd October 2022 – Note potential traffic movements estimated by Tenacity Planning Consultants. NEW – National and Built Environment Team comments dated 29th November 2023. No report since last meeting on 8th April 2024. Parish Council awaiting outcome of Natural and Environmental Team decision before making further comment. The additional paper has been issued in the form of a Biodiversity assessment produced by CBE Consulting. Clerk to request clarification of statement on page 2 'An application has been submitted to the Local Planning Authority to redevelop the existing site and use this land for residential housing'. Clerk to query with Planning.

P/22/1211/2 - 1 School Lane - Tree works in conservation area – Classified as REGISTERED on 3rd August 2022. No change in status since last meeting on 13th May 2024.

Confirmed:

Chairman

Date: 1st July 2024

P/22/1703/2 - 85-87 Main Street - Tree works in conservation area – Reclassified as REGISTERED on 21st September 2022. No change since last meeting on 13th May 2024.

P/23/1117/2 18 School Lane – Tree works – New –now shows as ‘To be confirmed’ no other change since 13th May 2024.

P/24/0824/2 Golden Fleece – Removal of variations of conditions 3, 4, and 5 of P/21/1709/2.

E/24/0084 – Golden Fleece, works not in accordance with plans(P/21/1709/2 - Conversion of part of existing restaurant and dwellings and extension of building to form 2 No. 2 storey dwellings and 2 No. flats and associated works). Front door built without permission removed.

P/24/0203/2 Land 3 Turns Lane - Change of use of land to a livery business with associated equestrian buildings. These include 2 no field shelters, 2 no stables and hay store (all retrospective) and the construction of a new building with solar panels on roof slope to provide 1 no. stable, tack room, storage and toilet facility. – Current status INVALID.

Amendment to planning permission P/21/2154/2, granted on 20.05.2022, which comprises the removal of the temporary storage container and tourer caravan from the development and the accommodation provided in the new stable building. Currently marked as INVALID.

P/24/0721/2 Aisha House 20C Main Street, Erection of 2 storey detached dwelling house. Current status Registered – Comments by 21st June 2024. Parish Council objects to this application. Clerk to action with Planning.

P/24/0661/2 11 School Lane, Erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing side extension) and changes to fenestration. Comments by 31st May 2024. Parish Council have no objections to this application.

SC 24/48 Financial Matters for meeting on 3rd June 2024

FINANCIAL POSITION STATEMENT FOR MEETING ON 3RD June 2024

a) Bank Accounts and Reserves

Statement Current Account Balance	£ 8210.54 (Statement to 03/05)
Estimated Income to year end	£ 6625.84
Total	£ 14836.38
Uncleared Cheques from last meeting	£ 3157.52
Estimated spend to year end	£ 8417.75
Estimated Current Account Balance @ yr/end	£ 3216.11

Statement Reserve Account Balance £18074.50 (Statement to 03/05)

b) Cheques to be approved at meeting

HMRC (MAY)	£ 67.20	Chq No 1161
Clerks Wages (May)	£ 268.53	Chq No 1162
Village Hall Rent (Jun)	£ 55.00	Chq No 1163
Clerks Expenses (May)	£ 23.19	Chq No 1164
Grass Cutting	£ 220.00	Chq No 1165
ACV Account	£ 120.00	Chq No 1166
M Underwood	£ 162.92	Chq No1167

Total Amount £ 916.84

b) Revised Accounts for meeting on 3rd June 2024

REVISED ACCOUNTS AT 3rd June 2024

CATEGORIES	PRECEPT	ESTIMATE		TOTAL YR END	-USPND OVER SPEND
		SPEND TO DATE	SPEND TO YR END		
PAYROLL SERVICE	230.00	56.70	173.30	230.00	0.00
OFFICE EXPENSES	200.00	24.30	175.70	200.00	0.00

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WEBSITE	372.00	0.00	372.00	372.00	0.00
CLERKS SALARY	3225.00	537.26	2687.74	3225.00	0.00
DEV ACCUMULATOR FUND	945.00	0.00	945.00	945.00	0.00
INSURANCE	435.00	402.92	435.00	837.92	402.92
PLAYING FIELD INSP/MAINT	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
PLAYING FIELD MOW/STRIM	1200.00	220.00	980.00	1200.00	0.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	340.00	317.94	340.00	657.94	317.94
STREET LIGHTING	850.00	965.93	-115.93	850.00	0.00
VH RENT	605.00	165.00	440.00	605.00	0.00
DEFIBRILLATOR	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
HMRC	810.00	134.20	675.80	810.00	0.00
TRAINING BUDGET	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
ELECTION RESERVE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTERNAL AUDITOR	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
RESERVE ACCOUNT TOP UP	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
CLERK HTG/LIGHTING	130.00	0.00	130.00	130.00	0.00
NORTON A/V PRODUCTS	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
TOTALS	11242.00	2824.25	9138.61	11962.86	720.86
CONTINGENCY	1500.00	0.00	1500.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	12742.00	2824.25	10638.61	11962.86	720.86

CURRENT ACCT NON BUDGETED ITEMS	
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SOUTH CROXTON PCC	750.00
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TOTAL	750.00
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<u>BANK BALANCES 3rd June 2024 meeting</u>	
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CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE	8210.54	SUPPORTED BY BANK STATEMENT
LESS UNPRESENTED CHQS	3157.52	
BUDGET TO SPEND TO YEAR END	8417.75	
CURRENT ACCT BAL AT YR END	3261.11	
RESERVE ACCOUNT BALANCE	18074.50	SUPPORTED BY BANK STATEMENT
Includes Interest 30TH APR 2024	23.66	

SC 24/49 Clerks Report

Nothing to report

SC 24/50 Police Report

The Police report states no activity for the month of May 2024.

SC 24/51 Digital Banking

Change to be assessed by Clerk asap.

SC 24/52 Opportunity for Members of the Public to speak (Limited to 3 minutes per person)

No members of the public present at meeting

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SC 24/53 Correspondence received

Email information has been distributed as appropriate since the last meeting.

SC 24/54 Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 1st July 2024 at 6pm in the Village Hall at South Croxton.

This meeting closed at 7.00 pm.

Items for inclusion in future agenda

Play a Part project/Digital Banking.

Charnwood Council Report to South Croxton Parish Council- June 2024

General Election.

The calling of a General Election has meant that some of the council’s activities have been reduced. The officers will continue to manage the running of council business but the councillors themselves are limited in their activities by electoral law. The council’s role in planning is specifically excluded from these rules and an extra meeting of the plans committee is scheduled on 20th June.

A number of residents have raised concerns about the work at the site of the former public house ‘ The Golden Fleece’ . The developer appears to be in breach of the conditions included in planning permission. Charnwood’s planning enforcement officer has pointed this out to the developer.

D-Day

June 6th is the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings. Charnwood will be holding beacon lighting ceremonies to commemorate this historic day.

Local Plan.

Following the second inspection of Charnwood’s local plan there has now been a public consultation. It is hoped that the inspection process will be completed very soon and will come before Council early in the new year. The Councils performance against government targets is improving following changes to the planning committee procedures and the recruitment and retention of more staff.

Finance Economy Growth

The budget was passed unanimously by full council in April. It is a balanced budget with no use of money from reserve funds. The Revenues and Benefits service is being brought back ‘in house’ so that its services can be delivered directly by the council.

Charnwood BC has decided not to build new council offices but to renovate and improve its existing buildings at Southfields including better energy saving design features.

Environment

The Council has changed the way it delivers its services to acknowledge the impact they have on the environment including ;

- Grass cutting practices have been changed for a trial period. (No Mow May!!)
- Thermal blankets have been used to reduce heat loss overnight in council pools.
- Solar panels have been installed in Loughborough Leisure centre.

A cross-party scrutiny panel has been set up to look at the impact of the recent flooding in Charnwood.

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Confirmed:	Chairman	Date: 1 st July 2024