

Clerk: Maxi Freeman, Charlwood, Kineton, nr Guiting Power, Cheltenham, GL54 5UG

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,MINUTES: of the Annual Naunton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 16th September 2024 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: Charles Hanks, Keith Russell, David Pickup, Nicki Gibberson.

APOLOGIES None

IN ATTENDANCE: Maxi Freeman, Clerk

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: None

1. **To receive Declarations of Interest in items on the Agenda (Localism Act 2011)** None.
2. **To hear representations from the public** regarding items on the agenda. None.
3. **Approval of minutes of the previous meeting (July 2024)** The meeting approved the minutes, and the Chairman signed them. **Action: Clerk to post to website.**
4. **Matters Arising (Clerk’s Report)** The Chairman drew Councillors’ attention to the information in the Clerk’s Report for agenda items 8 and 10. The Clerk reported that a new planning application had been received between meetings. **Action: Clerk to circulate for comment.**
5. **Chairman’s Report.** The Chairman reported that the plaque for the new bench had been sourced and would be delivered in the next week. The new bench seemed to have a crack in the rest. **Action: Clerk to send photograph to suppliers to query the condition.** The Chairman reported that Cllr Wilkins would be visiting the Ben Pauling race yard following an invitation.
6. **Declarations of Interest** Councillors Hanks and Gibberson provided updated Declaration of Interest forms. **Action: Clerk to forward to CDC Monitoring Officer.**
7. **Planning applications**
 To comment:
[24/02355/FUL](#) Formation of a 3 furlong all-weather oval gallop, Summerhill Farm, Naunton Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 3AZ. Deadline 1st October 2024. Councillors voted to post a neutral comment. **Action: Clerk to post to CDC Planning Portal.**
[24/02461/LBC](#) Installation of through-floor lift, Lower Harford Farm, Lower Harford Lane, Naunton Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 3AG Deadline 26th September 202. Councillors voted to post a comment of support. **Action: Clerk to post to CDC Planning Portal.**
8. **Website and emails** Councillors noted the changes to the accessibility rules but decided to postpone any switch to a gov.uk web address and gov.uk councillor email addresses until they became mandatory. Cllr Gibberson agreed to carry out further research
9. **Assets and Risk Assessment**

Recreation field (including dog waste) & benches	Nothing to report .
Play area (including dog waste)	Cllr Hanks to carry out small works to some play equipment.
Flood Monitoring	Cllr Russell reported that the annual river clearance would take place on 26 th October. There was considerable overgrowth on both sides of the river, which could increase the risk of flooding. Action: Cllrs Hanks and Russell would

	Hanks and Russell would visit the site and decide whether professional advice was needed.
Village Hall	Cllr Russell reported that the drainage issues had been resolved and that the gullies had also been cleared. The hall was being well used.

10. Finances

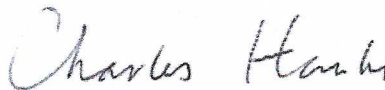
- a) Councillors noted the current balances and the reconciliation, which the Chairman signed.
- b) Baptist Chapel Bench. Councillors agreed unanimously to grant £150 to the Baptist Church to replace the bench in the burial ground in Naunton. Action: Clerk to let the Baptist Church know and ask for payment details.
- c) Clerk's wages. Councillors agreed unanimously to update the rate of pay to the current NALC rate. This would be back dated to April 1st 2024.
- d) Councillors approved the following payments:

Epay	M Freeman	Clerk's salary August/September @ £235.17 p m	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)	470.34
Epay	M Freeman	Expenses (see receipts)	LGA 1972 s.111	14.68
Epay	M Freeman	Proteus Fittings Handrail	LGA1892 s.8 (1) (i)	243.54
Epay	M Freeman	Brunel Engraving plaque	LGA 1972 s.137	50.94
Epay	M Freeman	Land registry search re boules	LGA 1972 s.111	3.00
Epay	M Freeman	Cyan Teak Garden Furn- Bench	PCA 1957 ss.1(1) & 7	527.50
Epay	GAPTC	Subscriptions for 2024 - 25	LGA 1972 s.143	90.32
Epay	GAPTC	Annual Audit 2023 - 24	LGA 1972 s.111	180.00
Epay	Community Heartbeat	Defibrillator pads	PHA 1936 s.234	59.94
Epay	Community Heartbeat	Defibrillator battery	PHA 1936 s.234	357.00

- 11. Items for the next meeting.** Councillors were interested in developing a Neighbourhood Development Plan but recognised that this would require considerable work together with resident support and participation. Further information was needed. Action: Clerk to contact Locality (a Government organisation which provides information, grants and other help with NDPs) for further information and a meeting. Also to send links to Locality to councillors.

Drones had been seen flying over the village at 2.30 a.m. Action: Clerk to find out what, if any, rules apply to flying drones over residential areas. Cllr Gibberson to contact the police to find out whether they were aware of the drones.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.05. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 18th November at 7.00 p.m. in the village hall.

Signed

 Chairman

Date 18th November 2024