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MINUTES: of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Naunton, on Monday 18 November 2019 at 8.00 pm.
 PRESENT: Parish Councillors: Beverley Chance, Charlie Hanks, Peter Bell, David Pickup, Keith Russell.
 IN ATTENDANCE: Maxi Freeman, Clerk. One member of the public (Dawn Preston)

- 1) **Call to order.** The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8.00 p.m.
- 2) **Apologies for absence.** None. All councillors attended.
- 3) **Receive Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda. (Localism Act 2011).** None.
- 4) **Approval of minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 2019.** The draft minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.
Action: Clerk to post to website.
- 5) **To hear representations from the public regarding items on the Agenda.** Dawn Preston expressed an interest in increasing tree planting in the village.
- 6) **Matters Arising/Clerk's Report** The Clerk's report was noted. **Action: Clerk to post to website.**
- 7) **Planning applications**
 Ongoing applications and permissions were noted.
 18/00035/OTHER Cllr Chance reported that it was felt an unhelpful and unsatisfactory response had been given. **Action: Clerk to check requirement to consider AONB characteristics in planning decisions and forward information to council and Cllr Richard Keeling. Clerk to send information / Link re the policy of AONB as requested to member of the Public.**
 19/03261/FUL Church Farm barn. Cllr Chance informed the meeting that Highways were still recommending refusal but that no decision had been made.
 19/03889/FUL Hill Farm, Aylworth Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement. Council agreed it had 'no objections'. **Action: Clerk to post comment.**
- 8) **Quarry Stakeholder meeting**
 Council agreed that Cllrs Russell and Chance would attend this meeting, subject to availability. The meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. at Toddington Village Hall on 29th January 2020. **Action: Clerk to inform organisers.**
Trees Councillors discussed various areas in the Parish that might benefit from Tree planting however these were privately owned. **Action: Clerk to send note to the editor of the Naunton Mailshot to gauge landowner and volunteer interest.**
- 9) **Highways**
 - (a) **Old Band Room parking.** **Action: Clerk to request owners to provide alternative parking for guests.**
 - (b) **Drains, grips and gullies.** Cllr Chance reported that many parts of the gullies in the village were blocked. Cllrs provided a map showing ditches and river areas which also needed clearance. **Action: Clerk to forward photographs of some of the blocked drains and gullies to Highways as well as a map of sections of the river and ditches which need to be cleared. Clerk to arrange quotes for private clearance.**
- 10) **Assets and risk assessment.** To receive reports on council assets and decide on any action/amendments required.

Recreation field	Cllr Bell reported that the Cricket club might in future (without the Sunday matches) struggle to fund the full maintenance of the cricket pitch and recreation field. As
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	events are the major source of damage to the field, Councillors resolved to change the Terms of Reference of the Naunton Recreation Ground Management Committee (NRMGC) and the Naunton Recreation Ground Policy regarding payment to show that all users will be required to pay, except Naunton Cricket Club. Action: Clerk to revise both documents and provide copies to the relevant organisations. The NRMGC will decide rental rates. Councillors also resolved to second Cllr Hanks to NRMGC to help integrate Play Area and Rec Field management. Action: Clerk to inform NRMGC.
Benches	Cllr Chance read a letter from Graham Powell stating the new stone top for the Millennial bench on the village green had been reinstated. (Our thanks to Graham). Responsibility of the bench has now returned to the Parish Council. The DWH Commemorative Bench to be sited in front of the cricket pavilion still awaits construction of a concrete plinth.
Play area	Nothing to report.
Flood Monitoring	Cllr Russell reported that litter in a private section of the river needed to be cleared. Action: Clerk to write to riparian landowners asking them to clear vegetation from the banks of the river. Clerk to arrange information exchange with natural flood management expert.
Village Hall	Cllr Chance reported that Gigaclear will be surveying the hall for the provision of wifi services at no charge. Improved external lighting is also planned.
Highways	Cllr Chance – see above Pt 9.
Phone box	Action: Clerk to check source of gold paint for the box.

11) Budget. Councillors resolved not to increase the precept for 2020/21 as no new projects were envisaged other than the current wildflower bank project; some new traffic boards for the recreation field; and the possible private river/gully/ditch clearance.

12) Finances. Councillors noted balances and the reconciliation.

Standing orders. Council resolved to introduce standing orders to pay PATA £23.35 quarterly, St Andrew’s Church £1 annually and GoDaddy £22.92 annually) **Action: Clerk to arrange letters for approval at the next meeting**

13) To approve payments and note receipts. Councillors resolved to make the following payments.

760	PATA	Q3 payroll services	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)	£23.25
761	M Freeman	Clerk’s salary September/October	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)	£389.62
762	M Freeman	Expenses – £195.58 Go Daddy domain name renewal + £23.50 Land registry form	LGA 1972 s.142 and 111.	£218.83

14) Any other business

Action: Clerk to follow up with Highways re: dangerous path sign at the Dovecote

The Chairman concluded the meeting at 9.50 p.m. and thanked everyone for their attendance. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 20 January 2020.

Signed

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