

NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE JANUARY MEETING OF NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

Held in the Church
Tuesday 4th January 2022 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr A. Howarth (Chair)
Cllr N. Roberson
Cllr D. Hudson
Cllr G. Edwards

In attendance: County & District Cllr L. Robinson

Public Question Time- None present

1. **APOLOGIES-** Cllr L. Brennan sent her apologies
2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST-** None recorded
3. **TO CONSIDER ANY REQUESTS FOR THE COUNCIL TO GRANT A DISPENSATION-** None requested
4. **THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2nd NOVEMBER 2021-** Approved as true and correct
5. **PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

A. County & District Councillor's Report-Linda Robinson

Firstly, I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and hope you had a good Christmas.

This is my first meeting of 2022, and I am glad that we are still able to meet together though you will see that I am going to take the precaution of wearing a mask. Fears as to the severity of the new Omicron Covid variant have lessened but there is strong evidence that it is more transmissible.

As of this morning Worcestershire's seven-day rate is 1,046 per 100,000 and we are the second lowest in the County just above Malvern Hills with Redditch at 1,591 being the highest. Wychavon's average rate is at 1,259 whilst England's is at 1,508 so we are well below the national average but still no room for complacency.

It is thought that these figures are likely to increase in the next few weeks as schools and colleges begin the new term. All secondary school pupils will be required to wear masks again. Officers from the County & District Council will once again on Government advice be working from home where possible.

There is little for me to report so soon after the Christmas break but District & County will be meeting in the next fortnight to consider their final budgets having recently received the long awaited details of the Local Government Settlement.

B. Crime Report-None received

6. HIGHWAYS

A) VAS sign data

Cllr Edwards is going to download the data again from the VAS sign this month, Cllr Howarth had noted one vehicle going at a high speeds through the village regularly (flat bed van type) and urged others to look out for a registration number.

Cllr Robinson stated some good news on highways in that the 30mph roundels on the road can be re-painted free of charge and will ask Barry Barnes to action this and will enquire as to whether some additional 'sharks teeth' can also be painted on whilst there leading up to the roundels as other villages have. She may also be able to help through her divisional funds with the cost of a 'Please slow down' sign for upon entering the village and some new reflectors for the wooden gates- Clerk to remind Cllr Robinson.

7. LENGTHSMAN

Cllr Howarth requested the lengthsman be reminded to regularly spread the grit when in the village, particularly on the corner to Seaford Lane and to ask if he is able to repaint the white gates on entry to the village- Clerk to action.

8. PLANNING

The following applications were delegated in between meetings with no objections:

<u>21/02702/FUL</u>	Naunton Court Naunton Road Naunton Beauchamp Upton Snodsbury WR10 2LG	Proposed two Garage Blocks	Pending Decision
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9. FINANCE

a) The following payments were approved-

Luke Farnsworth	L/man October November	£245.00	Cheque 100616
Lisa Cope	Postage/ Stationery/ Expenses	£56.43	Cheque 100617
HMRC	Tax	£97.00	Cheque 100618
Lisa Cope	Staffing costs	£388.10	Cheque 100619

- b) The budget for 2022/23 was set at £4880 with a 0.3% increase on 2021/2022, this was agreed by Cllr Howarth and seconded by Cllr Roberson and all Cllrs present. Clerk to share with finance department at Wychavon.
- c) Cllrs Hudson and Roberson signed a change of address letter to Barclays Bank to ensure any further correspondence is sent to Lisa Cope ongoing.

10. TREE PLANTING FOR THE QUEENS JUBILEE

Cllr Hudson shared that the local landowner to the preferred site for tree planting along North Piddle Lane expressed that additional trees would not be welcomed as they would make mowing difficult and so Cllrs agreed not to pursue planting in this location. Clerk to advertise on the noticeboard and on facebook to see if any parishioners have any ideas on locations within the village. Clerk to also contact Worcestershire wildlife to see if they are open to suggestion of tree planting on the land alongside the public footpath

11. NOTICEBOARD

All Cllrs agreed to replace the existing noticeboard and option 2 was at present the preferred option however Cllr Roberson stated that some references or reviews from 'The Acorn workshop' might be a good idea first alongside a quote from a local company such as Dovetail Joinery- Clerk to action.

Cllr Robinson suggested whether a new noticeboard could be funded through the Legacy Grant scheme which is now open to everyone to submit projects- Clerk to contact Tracy Perkins to enquire as to whether this might be a possibility, if not speak with Cllr Robinson as again, divisional funds might be available to fund or help towards the cost.

12. **CORRESPONDENCE-** None received

13. COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Robinson asked whether parishioners had noted the lights from the greenhouses more over the last month from Rotherdale Farm to which Cllrs replied that they had been very noticeable. Cllr Roberson asked the clerk to write to Mr Andrew Bille the director highlighting the issue and enquire to local parishes too such as Bishampton and Throckmorton if they had complaints also.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Ordinary Meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 8th March 2022 starting at 7.30pm in the Church.

Signed

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