NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING OF NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

Held in the Church Tuesday 5th September 2023 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr A. Howarth (Chair) Cllr D. Dickens Cllr S. Reeves

Cllr G. Edwards Cllr D. Hudson District & County Cllr L. Robinson

In attendance: Clerk

Public Question Time- None present

- 1. APOLOGIES- None
- 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST- None
- 3. TO CONSIDER ANY REQUESTS FOR THE COUNCIL TO GRANT A DISPENSATION- None requested
- 4. THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS TRUE AND CORRECT- From the meeting held on Monday 3rd July 2023
- 5. PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

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

I hope you all managed to take some time out through the Summer break. There is very little to report from either District or County as meetings have not been held during August and many officers have taken their annual leave to tie in with school holidays. As the children go back to school this week my Council diaries are rapidly filling.

Whilst on the subject of schools we have been informed that none of the County schools have been affected by the RAAC issue of concerns over faulty concrete and cement which has been used in some construction to school buildings nationally. However this statement does not include Academies such as Pershore High School where tests are still being carried out.

I am pleased to let you know that on the evening of 19th September at 7pm John Campion who is Worcestershire's police & Crime Commissioner is coming to a public meeting at Grafton Village Hall. This was originally going to be part of The Flyford's parish council meeting but as one of the main issues up for discussion is road safety on the A422 it was felt that it should be open to residents from adjacent parishes. There should also be the opportunity to discuss and give feedback on policing and rural crime in our area. I hope many residents will take the opportunity to attend and voice their concerns and look forward to seeing some of you there. Please spread the word throughout your Parish.

I am concerned to hear of another accident in the Ford which was last swept at the end of winter and encourage any communication to locals to avoid cycling through it and to use the bridge where possible- Clerk to post a notice on the village facebook page.

6. HIGHWAYS

a) Traffic management by telephone box

Highways have sent through a proposal for double yellow lines on Seaford Lane and Orchard Lea entrance in order to prevent parking adjacent to the defibrillator unit and junction of Seaford Lane. All Cllrs supported the proposals and Cllr Robinson expressed that she would support it also.

b) Horse sign Seaford Lane

Cllr Robinson shared that Highways do not believe that there are enough horses using Seaford Lane to justify extra signage. Cllrs to gather further evidence that it is well used by photos/ numbers/ letters from local stables.

- 7. **LENGTHSMAN-** Nothing to report, the Parish Council is very pleased with the new lengthsman.
- 8. **PLANNING-** No new planning applications received.

9. FINANCE

a) The following payments were approved and cheques were signed:

Carl Brassington	Lengthsman July	£180.00	Cheque 100671
Lisa Cope	Postage/ Stationery/	£61.82	Cheque 100672
	Expenses		
HMRC	Тах	£125.60	Cheque 100673
Lisa Cope	Staffing costs	£502.15	Cheque 100674
Wychavon	Election costs	£50.00	Cheque 100675
Carl Brassington	Lengthsman August	£160.00	Cheque 100676
Heartbeat Trust	Defibrillator pads	£105.60	Cheque 100677
Church	Meeting hire/mowing	£150.00	Cheque 100678

b) The bank balance as at 31/07/2023 was £10, 187.25 and the savings account was £1,036.81. The spend to date for the year is £2,247.99 against a budget of £5,130 for the year.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Howarth explained that the Church had needed to fund a new mower for the Churchyard and as the Church is used as a meeting place for the Parish Council all Cllrs agreed to donate £150 towards the costs.

11. COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA.

Cllr Edwards agreed to produce a crime report for the next meeting and some current VAS data to discuss.

Cllr Reeves explained that outside Honeybourne Cottage some tree roots are pushing an area of the road up causing a bump in the highway- Cllrs to photograph and send to the Clerk.

Cllr Howarth expressed thanks to Cllr Dickens for refurbishing the old bench from the Green and the Church will be asked if they would like the bench for the Churchyard. It was suggested that letters to be written to any local residents with hedges that require cutting back for driver's visibility to be issued- all Cllrs agreed and Clerk to action.

Cllr Hudson would like the pothole just over the bridge to be logged again- Clerk to action

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 7th November 2023 starting at 7.30pm in the Church.

Signed	Dated
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