

SKEYTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held at Skeyton Village Hall on Monday 5th September 2022. 7.30.p.m.

Present: Chairman Cllr: M. Hicks, Cllr: S. Bunting, Cllr: I. Stevenson,
NNDC District/County Councillor Saul Penfold and Mrs. D. Fields, Parish Clerk.

1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Vice-Chairman Cllr: J. Hughes,
Cllr: H. Randell, Cllr: A. Morton and Cllr: G. Berry.

2. Minutes.

Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual General Meeting dated 10th May 2022 were both signed and accepted as a true and accurate account of proceedings.

3. Matters Arising.

- a) Elections will take place in May 2023.
- b) A large amount of tyres were tipped onto a Farmer's field. The Farmer reported this and so did the Parish Council and they were removed.
- c) Norwich Western Link up-date. This has already been e-mailed to the Councillor's.
- d) The Household Support Fund (funded through the Norfolk County Council Cost of Living Support Scheme) was set up to help over 65's Disabled people and Carers. A hundred pound payment could be claimed per household. Unfortunately, before the Clerk could find out who was entitled to this payment in Skeyton the funding had been allocated. The Clerk has signed up to learn about future payments.
- e) A road closure in Skeyton was reported due to a water leak, this has since been rectified.

4. Correspondence

- a) A letter has been received re: the North Norfolk Macmillan Cancer Support Centre based at Cromer and District Hospital inviting the Public to a Coffee Morning on Friday 30th September, 2022. They are also starting a new General Cancer Support Group which is to help anyone been affected by Cancer. Poster to be put on Skeyton's Web site and also on the Notice Board.
- b) Correspondence has been received re: Fire Safety Advice concerns

due to the hot weather we had and in some areas of England still having. See Notice Board for General advice.

- c) Earlier in the year the Council received a Blue Plaque to commemorate the coming together of communities during the Pandemic. The Blue Plaque is now placed at the Village Hall. A Newsletter was received from Lady Dannatt MBE thanking everyone who came together to help their villagers during this difficult time.
- d) Norfolk County Council has written to Skeyton Council regarding The Parish Partnership Scheme. This is open to Town and Parish Councils who can apply for 50/50 funding to help with Highway issues. Any Council whose annual incomes is below £2,000 can apply for a 75/25 funding.

5. Planning.

A new property has just been built in Skeyton which had a condition to keep the trees which are on this land saved, these trees, now the property has been built look out of place. Could this condition be removed?

6. Finance

- a) An e-mail has been received concerning our external auditor of Skeyton's Parish Council Accounts. The next five year period runs from 2022-23 to 2026-27. SAAA are responsible for appointing external auditors and Skeyton Parish Council can continue with SAAA's chosen auditor or Skeyton Parish Council can opt out. Skeyton Parish Council choose to remain with the appointed External Auditor that SAAA chooses.
- b) Bottle Bank.
So far this year 1.4 tonnes of Green Glass has been collected from the Bottle Bank which is situated at the Skeyton Goat. Although the charge for collection has risen considerably the Council still thinks it is worthwhile, but will check it regularly.
- c) Domain Renewal
The amount of £28.78 has been paid, this is for the next two Years.
- d) Current Account Balance is £1,306.87
- e) Clerk's Wages and Tax has been paid.

7. Highways

The Causeway. Although recently the Causeway had been re-surfaced the problem of subsidence is still relevant. A Parish visit by Justin-le-May, from Highways is due and this problem will be brought up once again. Perhaps better pulling in areas would help or Signs saying "Give Way to large vehicles".

Speeding down Church Road was still an issue.

A Road Safety Community Fund might be able to help towards the cost of making then Causeway a safe road to travel down.

8. Any Other Business

Cllr: I. Stevenson said that a charity has been set up by Jim Agnew a local farmer who was a magistrate on the Norwich Youth Bench to help deterring youngsters from the age of fourteen in Broadland and North Norfolk districts from slipping into criminal behaviour. This will be through providing grants to assist in education, training an early employment. For more information and an application form see the website www.jimagnewcharity.org

The Parish Clerk and all the Councillor's would like to thank the Chairman Cllr: M. Hicks in helping distribute the Platinum Jubilee Mugs which were purchased by the Council for the children of Skeyton Parish.

A report by District/County Councillor S. Penfold.

The funding for the Mobile Library could be cut. Consultation on Line. Any comments before 14th September 2022.

New bus shelter installed on North Walsham Community Centre Car park. Good example of North Walsham District Council working with Norfolk County Council.

Soon there will be a time restraint when you cannot drive through the Market Place. Only people with disabilities and lorries off loading will be allowed through.

North Walsham West put on hold for the time being.

Shop fronts given grants to make their shop front more traditional and attractive to customers.

Yellow lines to be placed on the left hand side of Millfield Road as you approach the Norwich Road to be the same length as the yellow lines on the opposite side of the road. This will enable the view as you approach Norwich Road a lot clearer.

The meeting closed at 8.25.p.m.

The date for the November Meeting is Monday 14th at 7.30.p.m.