

SKEYTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held at Skeyton Village Hall on Tuesday 8th September 2021. 7.30.p.m.

Present: Chairman Cllr: M. Hicks, Vice-Chairman Cllr: J. Hughes, Cllr: I. Stevenson, District/Councillor Saul Penfold and Parish Clerk Mrs. D. Fields

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr: S. Bunting, Cllr: H. Randell, Cllr: A. Morton and Cllr: G. Berry.

2. Minutes from previous meetings.

Minutes from the Annual General Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting, both dated 18th May 2021 were signed and accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

3. Matters Arising

a) Maintenance and care of the Defibrillator.

The Clerk was asked to contact the editor of the Village News to advertise the fact that Skeyton now has their own defibrillator.

Checks have to be carried out monthly and reported to Community Heartbeat, this would be carried out by Vice-Chairman J. Hughes.

b) An outside light was requested by the Parish Council to the Village Hall but as yet this has not happened. Therefore, the Council have asked again.

Also, a new 5 bar gate to the entrance would really finish off the alterations and new look to the Village Hall. Cllr: I. Stevenson would raise these issues at the next Village Hall meeting.

c) It was suggested that a gift for Phil Davison who smarten up the phone box would be in order.

d) The Chairman recommended that we place a plaque on the plinth of the New Village sign. The wording to be chosen at a later date.

4. Correspondence

a) A Flood Line poster has been received and placed on the Notice Board.

b) An email has been received from NALC. Saying that they have been made aware that there is a plan (which will be unveiled late September or early October) to present every parish in Norfolk a physical, permanent Memorial token to serve as a permanent reminder of the tremendous community spirit shown in the Covid-19 pandemic.

Dates for the next three Parish Council Meetings were asked for and these have been supplied. They are 23rd November 2021, 1st February 2022 and 10th May 2022.

Cllr: I. Stevenson is the Council's representative with NALC. He recently took part in a Zoom meeting with them, but nothing of any consequence came up.

5. Planning.

a) PF/21/0461 Primrose Farm. A decision to turn down the plans for this has now been overruled.

- b) PF/21/1844 Garden Barns
- c) PF/21/1976 Thirtles House, plans approved.
- d) PF/21/2004 Willow Farm
- e) RV/20/2629 Bungalow, Beech Farm. Keeping to planning conditions.

6. Finance

- a) Bank Statement £1,443.92 in TSB Current Account
- b) URM – Bottle Bank. Emptied about 3 weeks ago,
Still waiting for invoice. Nearly full again.
Invoices for 1.76 tonnes ready to be claimed from NNC
as soon as.
- c) Cheques signed:- The following cheques have been signed:-

Cheque for new Dell Laptop Adapter	£20.32
Cheque for Dog Fouling Signs	£26.58
Cheque for glazing re: Tel: Box	£148.56
CT Baker invoices for plinth around New Village Sign	£59.93
	£239.43
Wickes invoice for tiles & adhesive	
Re: Telephone Box	£22.82
Screwfix – subsidiary items	£21.36
CT Baker – Cement	£12.00
- d) Clerk's Wages and Tax Paid

7. Highways

Pot holes:- Pot holes outside "Crooked Cottage", Swanton Abbott Road, Skeyton also pot hole outside Grove Farm, Common Road, Skeyton.
Clerk to report.

Chairman and District/County Councillor met with Justin Le-May in Skeyton regarding issues within the village, ie Pot holes, grup filled with tarmac outside Skeyton Lodge and the main problem in Skeyton the road called "The Causeway". The Causeway would be a major job, running into thousands. Core samples to be taken.

Previously concerns had been raised regarding Chapel Road, Skeyton. It was found that this road was not owned by anyone and each person took it upon themselves to keep their part of the verge and road tidy. This was not always the case. The issue with cars parking down Common Road has raised its ugly head again. It was also reported that lots of road marking and signs need re-painting and Cleaning.

8. Any other business

A report from District/County Councillor S. Penfold.

Fifty Afghanistan's have been re-homed in Norwich, Gt. Yarmouth and Thetford. District wise, lots of pressure in resources. Bin collections sometimes missed. No meeting in August.

County Council, NDR Western Link still controversy about this.

Planting, not good on the NDR, lots of trees not successfully growing.

Cabinet cuts to 40 million which will affect children and adult social care.
County Hall selling off the Industrial Estate at Norwich Airport.
Grants can be applied for by shop owners in North Walsham to help brighten up the town and signage.
Part of Cedar House to be used as a Heritage Scheme.
At long last the Aylsham road running through North Walsham has been granted the 20mph scheme.
Residents in Coltishall have reported a large increase in traffic and are concerned this will only increase if more houses are built.
Bardersfield (the old RAF camp) now has ninety-five occupancy in the units.

The Clerk suggested buying a unique commemorative mug for the Children of Skeyton, to celebrate seventy years of the Queen being on the throne.
Clerk to send off for a free sample of the mug and this issue will be raised at the next Parish Council Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.45p.m

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 23rd November 2021.
7.30.p.m.

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