

## Northmoor Parish Council

**Parish Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday 13 September 2023**

**Parish Council Members taking part: -**

Dr G Shelton - Chairman  
Mrs V Ryan  
Mr N Reeves

Mr M Ryan (Clerk)

**Councillor and Public who joined the meeting.** District Councillor Lysette Nicholls, Andrew Williams, Stacy Reed, Ian Miles and Andrew Grant.

**Apologies.** Parish Councillor Maureen Sears, County Councillor Dan Levy, District Councillor Charlie Maynard, and Emma hare.

**Declarations of Interest.** There were no declarations of interest.

### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 9 August 2023 had been previously circulated to Parish Councillors. The Minutes were accepted as a true record.

### **Matters Arising.**

Mr Westbrook had written to the Council asking for the reply to his planning application, 23/01956/HHD, be withdrawn. The issue was discussed, but it was agreed by Councillors that the comments should not be withdrawn.

### **Reports from Councillors, Parishioners and issues Parishioners wish to raise.**

County Councillor Dan Levy sent his apologies for not being present at the meeting but kindly sent a report that will be attached to these Minutes.

District Councillor Charlie Maynard was also unable to attend and like Dan sent a report, also attached.

District Councillor Lysette Nicholls reported that she had spoken with the Planning officer about Mr Grant's planning application and had reached agreement in principle that would allow this Application to move forward.

Lysette also referred to the Local Plan now out for public consultation and the important need for local councils and residents to make their view heard.

Parish Councillor Carrie Berry reported that the Survey was due to go public on 30 September. One issue was how do the Parish Council share information. There was a discussion on this item, with some parishioners relying on social media.

Chairman Graham Shelton reported that there had been a meeting at Brook Farm with David Elvin, Charlie Maynard and Mrs Julia Shelton about the water that feeds the Brook on Church Road failing to get through due to silting up at the lasher in Brook

Farm. It had been agreed that Mrs Shelton would assist in getting approval from the EA for this to be cleared.

The Clerk Reported that OCC. had approved the new road markings for Cow Lane Corner. A date was awaited for this work to be completed.

Parishioner Stacy Reed reported that calling the ambulance service in an emergency to Thameside Court using the postcode, resulted in the Ambulance ending up on the wrong side of the river. *Graham to discuss with South Central Ambulance Service.*

### **Item 6. Ash Die-back at Northmoor Village Hall**

The Chair of Northmoor Village Hall, Andrew Williams, explained that the ash tree to the front of the Village Hall was suffering from Ash Die-back and was becoming increasingly dangerous with significantly large branches falling, and the Hall Committee were concerned that someone could get hurt if something was not done. The disease is not treatable, and the view was that the tree would, reluctantly, need to be taken down. Andrew had come to the Council meeting to ask for Councillors to support this decision. The issue was discussed, and the Council agreed that this was a necessary step for the Hall committee to take.

### **Item 7. Finance**

The Council confirmed the following payments made: -

Scott Gillam for grass cutting in June, July and August      £435  
WODC. For emptying two dog waste bins between 01/04/23 – 30/09/23. Twenty six visits      £522.28

### **Item 8. Planning Applications.**

The following Planning Applications had been responded to for the Council to meet return by dates.

**29/01956/HHD.** Mr S Westbrook, Westview, Bablock Road. Extension to front of garage with link to main dwelling. The Council expressed some reservations about additional Applications being made to the original request.

23/02140/S&£ Mr J Nethercott, Plot 3, Northmoor Park. Addition of oak framed garden room to new dwelling. There were no objections from Councillors.

### **Item 9. Correspondence and Any Other Business**

There was no other correspondence not covered earlier in the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

Date of next meeting 11 October 2023

Signed..... Date 11 October 2023