

SWEPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes 20th October 2021

Held at: Church Hall, Swepstone

Date: Wednesday 20th October at 7pm

Present Councillors: B. Sumner, N. Makin, J. Coleman
Chair: A. Milner
Clerk: K. Stirk
Other: Cllr. Harrison
Members of the Public

622/2021 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Paul Cook

623/2021 LOCAL POLICING REPORT

24/09/21 three vehicle collision on Main Street, Swepstone.

29/09/21 report of burglary at Belper Arms, Newton Burgoland.

624/2021 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

All items raised to be discussed as agenda items.

625/2021 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest from Councillors of any agenda items in which they have a personal or prejudicial interest.

626/2021 MINUTES

The council confirmed the minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting in September 2021 were an accurate representation of the meeting.

627/2021 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes that needed to be readdressed or placed as a formal agenda item from the September meeting.

628/2021 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Councillors reviewed elements of the progress report of ongoing items.

- Entrance gate to Newton Burgoland.
Resolution: Clerk reported the replacement gate had been installed.
- Average speed cameras for Main Street, Swepstone.
Resolution: It was agreed no more could be done due to the cost of £100,000 for the cameras.
- Vegetable Society enquiry about umbrella insurance for Vegetable Show
Resolution: Clerk to invite Vegetable Society to next meeting to discuss possibilities of sub committees.

- Hanging Baskets Licences.
Resolution: Clerk reported the 30 days public notices were posted on both notice boards.
- Information Boards.
Resolution: Licences were signed and clerk to return licences to N.W.L.D.C.
- Field View Barn, Newton Burgoland planning consultation 21/01422/FUL.
Resolution: Clerk to contact N.W.L.D.C. for an update.
- R.C.C. coffee connect van.
Resolution: It was agreed the visits by the coffee connect van had been a great success and a donation of £30 would be given to this worthy charity.
- 11 School Lane, Newton Burgoland vacant property update.
Resolution: To give N.W.L.D.C. a further 3 months and item to be on February agenda.
- Overgrown footpaths.
Resolution: Footpath maps to be delivered to households with October Newsletter.
- Daffodil bulbs delivery.
Resolution: Bulb planting to be advertised for Sunday 7th November.
- British Legion Poppies.
Resolution: Chairman to organise placing poppies on village lamp posts.
- More trees in parish.
Resolution: It was agreed to put item on April agenda due to farmers being paid to plant trees in 2022.

629/2021 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Schedule of Payments were agreed for on-line payment.

- Newsletter
- Clerk's Expenses
- External Auditors
- Defibrillator Charge Stick & Pads
- Summer Mowing

Councillors heard the current balance and agreed payment of invoices.

630/2021 PLANNING MATTERS

The Council considered the following applications:

21/01897/FUL Tempe Farm, Main Street, Swepstone – removal of temporary woodstore & erection of permanent oak framed woodstore with implement shed.

Resolution: No Objections.

21/01407/FUL Aylesbury Gardens, Newton Road, Swepstone – continued use of land as a residential caravan site with 6 touring caravans & retention of amenity block, toilet building, parking area & surfacing

Resolution: It was agreed to contact District Councillor Richard Blunt for his urgent action to call in the latest planning application due to the earlier High Court judgement.

631/2021 CORRESPONDENCE

A request had been received for someone to plant up the Swepstone planter this autumn.

Resolution: It was agreed to ask other Swepstone residents for their help.

632/2021 VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREES

Resolution: Cllr. Sumner to contact Cattows Farm to request the trees for delivery on Friday 26th November. Cllr. Cook to arrange erection of Swepstone tree and Chairman Milner to arrange erection of Newton Burgoland tree.

633/2021 QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE EVENT

The Wraggs Yard trustees had agreed to jointly organise the event.

Resolution: Music bands had been contacted but were already booked, therefore, it was agreed not to have live music. To be discussed further at next meeting.

634/2021 DEFIBRILLATORS

The clerk reported that Mr Parkes (First Responder) had fitted the new charge stick and pads.

Resolution: It was agreed to check the defibrillators monthly, following advice given by Mr Parkes. Also, a donation of £75 was agreed for the First Responders charity. Clerk to include on April agenda CPR training by First Responders Charity.

635/2021 INFORMATION BOARDS LICENCES

The licences had been received from N.W.L.D.C. ready for signing.

Resolution: Licences signed and clerk to return paperwork to N.W.L.D.C.

636/2021 DANGEROUS PARKING

A resident raised the issue of dangerous parking in and around the villages especially worrying with the darker days and nights.

Resolution: It was agreed to put an article in the October Newsletter.

637/2021 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE REVIEW

It was reported the contact page wasn't up to date and the website was not user friendly or welcoming.

Resolution: Clerk to update contact page. Chairman and Cllr. Makin to review the specification for a new Parish Council website.

638/2021 THE BELPER ARMS

Residents requesting an update on the empty public house.

Resolution: Chairman to contact the brewery owners.

639/2021 NEWCOMERS TO THE VILLAGES

It was discussed how the Parish Council could welcome and inform people who move into the villages.

Resolution: It was agreed the clerk would purchase Welcome cards and enclose contact details etc. to be delivered to any new residents.

640/2021 FLYTIPPING

The clerk informed the meeting that a letter had been sent to the person whose name and address appeared on a fly tipped box full of discarded items.

Resolution: If no reply received, clerk to refer matter to N.W.L.D.C.

641/2021 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Coleman reported an overgrown verge behind cottages in Newton Burgoland was overgrown causing difficulty for residents parking.

Resolution: Cllr. Coleman to photograph the verge and clerk to report matter to Highways L.C.C.

It was agreed that dog fouling had increased possibly due to the darker evenings.

Resolution: It was agreed to put an item in the October Newsletter.

The field/church hedges in Swepstone are overgrown.

Resolution: Cllr. Sumner to liaise with hedge cutters and Mr Cantwell.

642/2021 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None.

Chairman Milner thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting.