

**NORTH CLAINES PARISH COUNCIL (NCPC)**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD on Monday November 4<sup>th</sup> 2024**  
**Held in Okeys Lane Baptist Church Hall at 19:30hrs**

**PRESENT**

Cllr Megan Farmer (MF)  
Cllr M Tubby (MT)  
Cllr P Morgan (PR)  
Cllr S Challoner (SR)  
Cllr A Harris (AH)  
Cllr J Robb (JR)

Dst Cllr Nicolas Wright (NW)

1. **To receive apologies for absence** and to approve reasons for absence.  
Cllr V.Nelms (VN) and Dst Cllr Daniel Birch (DB) sent their apologies to the Council.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
  - a) Register of interests; Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
  - b) To declare any other Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
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  - d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least four clear days prior to a meeting.  
Councillors who have declared an interest must leave the room for the relevant items as per the code of conduct and the North Claines Parish Council standing orders.  
Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may be a criminal offence.
- 3 **Minutes from the last meeting of the Parish Council**
  - 3.1 Minutes of the meeting held on October 7<sup>th</sup> 2024 were approved and signed as a correct record.
- 4 **Public Question Time**

This is an opportunity for members of the public to ask any questions of the parish council, time to be at the Chairman's discretion.  
There were no members of the public present.
- 5 **Public areas in North Claines Parish.**
  - 5.1 The Brum Recreation ground.  
It was noted that the football sockets had not yet been purchased.  
Clerk still awaiting a quote from PD Hughes to repair various items on the Brum.

5.2 Bull Meadow

- Impact assessment form and associated visit.
- Wildflower meadow.  
It was agreed that wildflowers should be planted on the bunds in the Spring and around the pond.  
Council approved the costs for the meadow as follows.

Top Cut - To prepare and prep the 2 bunds £500-£600 – and annual costs of £300 to maintain.

DLF seeds - Based on size of the 2 bunds - combined size 800 sq metre, and requires 4kg = 5gm per sq metre sowing.

The Council also agreed to use the Sky Scraper - tall seed mix. 2.5 - 3 foot height £480 incl VAT

It was noted that the £1300 donated by the events group from the Pop Up Café would be used for this purpose.

- Sensory Garden as agreed at the last meeting, location is still to be confirmed, and Cllr PM is to provide further information at a future meeting.
- Top Cut is to look at the large logs as they are breaking down. Top Cut also are to plant 3 copper beech trees as supplied by the Grumpy Mens Club after location has been agreed.
- It was noted that the masterplan of Bull Meadow was out of date and did not align with the current layout.

Report from Events Advisory Group

Scarecrow event.

- Review of event to include pop up café. It was noted that £1500 had been raised by this event and this had been received by the Clerk. There had been over 90 scarecrows and there were lots of people from 7am to 6pm visiting them. The donations from the maps totalled £667.59 and the remainder of the money was profit from the pop up café minus the costs of the prizes.

5.2 Opportunity for Councillors to raise matters regarding other open recreation areas in the Parish.

**6 Highways, Footpaths and Lighting.**

6..1 Lighting problems in the Parish.

- 15 and 18 Suffolk Way are off. These are owned by the developer and are not maintained by WCC or NCPC.
- 12,13,14,15 Dilmore Lane are off. These are owned by the developer and are not maintained by WCC or NCPC.

- 6.2 Other highways information or problems. MF and the Clerk did a Parish review and visited the Parish to examine all areas around the Parish. Cllr SC is to help the Clerk create a map of all the items in the Parish.

**7. Correspondence.**

Discussion on correspondence received.  
Highway outside Martinbrook Farm.  
Parishioner complaint re fireworks.  
Calc update and Calc October newsletter.  
From PHcp update on Harvington Neighbourhood Plan.  
Wychavon Peer review.  
Town and Parish Councils health and wellbeing programme by Calc.  
Email re vandalism.  
Email re dog waste.  
Invitation to The Remembrance Day service at the Memorial Club Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November.

**8 Planning**

- 8.1 Planning applications for consideration.  
Report to be received from the planning advisory group on plans that have been submitted.

W/24/02059/LB

Flat 1, Bevere House, Bevere Green, Worcester, WR3 7RG  
Description of proposal - Retrospective building consent for internal alterations  
There were no objections by the Parish Council.

W/24/02082/HP

The Forge, 218 Droitwich Road, Fernhill Heath, Worcester, WR3 7UA  
Description of proposal – removal of garden room and erection of two storey extension.  
The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

W/24/01647/LB and W/24/01853

Beechwood House, Bevere Green, Bevere, WR3 7RG  
Description of proposal – retention of timber and canvas canopy extension and erection of internal wall partition on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor between kitchen and bathroom.  
Also installation of EV panel.  
The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

W/24/01905/HP

Location - 1 Suffolk Way, Fernhill Heath, Worcester WR3 7RJ  
Description of proposal – Single storey rear infill extension.  
The Parish Council had no objections to this application

- 8.2 Planning applications approved by Wychavon.

W/24/00993/FUL

Description of proposal. Change of use of land to form a secure dog walking field with associated car parking area and upgraded access.

Location - Land at (OS 8517 5918), School Bank, Claines.

W/24/01562/TDC5

Proposal - Technical detail permission for the construction of 3 no dwellings following permission in principle W22/01453/PIP

Location Northwick House, Bevere road, Bevere WR3 7RE

W/24/01007/HP

Proposal – Single storey side and rear extensions, new dormer window at second floor and addition of bay window and other openings.

Location – The Chestnuts, Danes Green, WR3 7RU.

W/24/01672/HP

Proposal – Provision of single storey flat roofed side extension and new front porch.

Location - 39, Dilmore Avenue, Fernhill Heath, Worcester, WR3 7TQ

8.3 Other planning matters.

- 24/01227 It was noted that the inspector had not decided yet re the status of Britannia Gardens.
- 21/02974 Land off Dilmore – 40 proposed houses – the decision has been deferred to the Wychavon December meeting where the attenuation pool will be discussed.
- 23/01323. 140 houses. This is to be decided by the inspectorate in November.

8.4 Neighbourhood Development Plan.

JR and SC will have a meeting on the neighbourhood plan pending the 23/01323 appeal decision and the associated reasons will direct the next steps for the Parish Council.

**9 Report from County and District Councillors.**

9.1 Report from M Bayliss.

- There was one objection to the DMMO near the Memorial Club.
- Thanks were given for the repair work on School bank going ahead over half term. It was noted that the yellow lines had been removed as a result and needed reinstatement asap.
- MB and Barry Barnes (Highways) are to look at the overgrown hedges around the parish.
- Parking issues around Monarchs way between Dilmore Lane and the Grange. MB to discuss this with the safer neighbourhood team as this is a police issue and not a county problem. MF to place this matter in the newsletter asking that people report this to the Police with a picture of the obstruction.

9.2 Report from N Wright

- It was noted that there had been further details re the traffic management of the Dilmore planning application.
- SWDP is still with the inspectors.

10 **Newsletter and social media**

10.1 Update on newsletter. The next newsletter will be in the new year.

10.2. Cllr AH is updating the Facebook page of NCPC.

11 **Finance.**

11.1 Invoices for consideration and payment at the Council meeting (Appendix A)

11.2 Monies received by the Parish Council.

WCC PL reimbursement	£40
Cash from M Farmer re the Scarecrow event	£1500

11.3 The finance committee is to meet to consider the second quarter of 2024-25 finance and to begin to prepare a budget for 2025-26 on 15/11/24.

Any groups/Cllrs within the Parish Council who wish to submit a budget request to do so by this finance meeting.

12 **Councillors additional items for consideration** or for matters to be placed on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting.

There was nothing to note.

13 **Date of the next Parish Council meetings.**

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024.

6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Abbreviations

Cllr – Councillor

NCPC – North Claines Parish Council

WCC – Worcestershire County Council

WDC – Wychavon District Council