

# ORTON WATERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Orton Waterville Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall, Glebe Avenue, Orton Waterville on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 7.00 pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors J. Farnham (Chair), M. Chambers, S. Dallimore, B. Fearon, J. Goode, J. Howell, K. Knight, R. Pickett, J. Piercy, T. Rouse, B. Warne and Mrs A. Brown (Clerk).

Members: 13      Quorum: 5      Members of the public: 1      Member of the Press: 0

### Public Question Time

**Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960 s 1 extended by the LG Act 1972 s 100.**

None.

**89/09-21**

### Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M. Barrows (personal). No apologies received from Cllr Dr Sridhar.

**90/09-21**

### Declaration of interests and dispensations

None.

**91/09-21**

### Family Voice grant application

The application to consider the £500.00 funding request towards electrical works in the Goldhay Centre was discussed. Family Voice is a registered charity and has many regular service users from within the parish. Although Family Voice financial accounts seem healthy; the majority of their funds are restricted grants and ring fenced for specific projects. The installation of additional electrical sockets for the community centre hall, kitchen and offices were identified during the full 5-year EICR inspection. The total cost of the works is £2294.40. A grant of £500.00 towards the cost of the works has already been secured from Orton Longueville Parish Council. Family Voice will pay the remaining cost. It was RESOLVED to award Family Voice the full grant amount of £500.00.

**92/09-21**

### Local police matters

Cllr Howell reported that she is still waiting for a meeting with the Police & Crime Commissioner to discuss the lack of policing in the Ortons.

It was noted that there had recently been an anti-vaxxer incident at Napier Place whilst the vaccination clinic was open and the police took a long time to turn up.

**93/09-21**

### Ward Councillors

Cllr Howell gave the following report:

#### Bushes

The council has published its schedule for cutting back bushes. The bushes in our ward will be cut back in January. In the meantime, any areas that are a particular problem should be reported to the council via [fixmystreet.com](http://fixmystreet.com)

#### Street racing

This continues to be a problem with the police reluctant to use their powers to either stop or prevent it. Julie chairs a group at the council that will make recommendations to the cabinet on measures the council ought to take to address the problem.

#### Unauthorised encampments

We had a particularly challenging unauthorised encampment in Gostwick over the August bank holiday and beyond. The council used its powers to evict the group, but this took nearly three weeks. Unfortunately, the police refused to use their powers to move the group on more quickly. At one point, there were four separate encampments in the ward in the space of a week. The encampment that was at Gostwick moved to Orton Longueville, then to Gunthorpe and is now in Werrington. The clean-up at

Gostwick took a considerable amount of time and resources, as the group had used a public footpath as an outside toilet. We were very unhappy about the lack of police response, particularly as the group was accessing the space via a residents' garden, and we have asked the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Cambs and Peterborough Mayor to take action.

#### **Discarded medication**

Twice in the past week, we have found un-used medication dumped in the street. Residents are asked to return any unused medication to a pharmacy.

#### **Peterborough Market**

The Council has proposed moving the market from its current Northminster location to Bridge Street.

#### **Hinchcliffe**

We met with representatives of Cross Keys Homes and Up The Garden Bath to discuss improvement to an area that is a fly-tip hotspot.

#### **Brown bins**

Collections are suspended until January 2022. However, there will be one further collection in 2021, date to be confirmed.

Cllr Knight gave the following report:

#### **Mopeds**

These are still an ongoing issue with youths on mopeds with multiple riders on one bike. Another incident occurred this evening to which police were called to. Apparently parents are not aware that their children are doing this and therefore Cllr Knight has asked Bushfield Ormiston Academy to put a newsletter out to all parents warning them of the dangers of riding a moped with no safety helmet on and with more than one rider on them.

#### **Drug misuse**

This issue is a regular occurrence near the Pennington park flowers beds and has been reported to Peterborough City Council and police.

**94/09-21**

#### **Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the Orton Waterville Parish Council meetings held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021 and 20<sup>th</sup> August 2021 were agreed and RESOLVED as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

**95/09-21**

#### **Clerk's update**

1. 80/07-21 Speedwatch – No update.
2. 75/07-21 Gym for Orton Northgate – No update.

**96/09-21**

#### **Correspondence received**

1. CAPALC: Bulletins.
2. CAPALC: Training programme September 2021 – March 2022.
3. Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council: Volunteer School Appeals Panel Members required.
4. East of England Agricultural Society: A new strategic alliance for the East of England Showground.
5. Magpas Air Ambulance: Grant thank you letter.

**97/09-21**

#### **The Gannocks**

1. Two quotations for play equipment for the clearing in the wooded area have been received. The Clerk is in the process of obtaining a third quote.
2. Meadow management advice provided by former Parish Councillor Roger Proudfoot was discussed. Cllr Farnham stated that another year is needed to see if the previous sown wildflowers have been established. It was noted that the bio diversity of the area has improved. It was agreed that the meadow should now have its annual cut and that the grass arising's are taken away by the end of October. Paths through the meadow will be cut again as this feature has been enjoyed by local residents.
3. There were no other matters of concern.

**98/09-21**

#### **Play parks in the parish**

Orton Wistow Play Park is now open with new equipment however a few areas still need to be finished.

- 99/09-21 Parish Ponds**  
Relaxing of restrictions and the start of the autumn season, Peterborough Conservation Volunteers have started conservation work again. They had arranged with Peterborough City council to start work again at Debdale Pond and Cherry Orton Pond on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021 with a further two sessions on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021.
- 100/09-21 Parish Lengthsman**  
The Lengthsman contract has been renewed for another year until end August 2022.
- 101/09-21 Defibrillator at the Village Hall**  
Cllr Howell reported that she had been approached by a local resident asking if a defibrillator could be considered for the village hall. This matter was last raised at a Parish Council meeting in January 2017, agenda item 238/01-17 and it was resolved not to pursue the matter at the February 2017 meeting, agenda item 269/02-17 because the Village Hall Committee stated that ‘they had no real desire for a defibrillator unit for the village hall or to make any monetary contribution to it. Also the unit would need to be housed inside the building because it could be stolen if placed on an outside wall.’
- It was debated whether realistically a defibrillator saves lives when it has to be fetched from a certain point. It was agreed that more data on the subject needs to be obtained. As Oundle Town Council have a defibrillator in the community, it was decided that Cllr Knight will contact them and find out how many times it has been used.  
**Action:** Cllr Knight.
- 102/09-21 Mosaic to commemorate Waterville Ash**  
Cllr Howell asked if the Parish Council would consider a commemorative mosaic on the stump of the cut down ash tree on the corner of Cherry Orton Road. The mosaic would be created by an artist called Muni. A plinth would also be added with history information relating to the former ash tree. Cllr Howell stated that she is able to apply for a grant to fund the project from Peterborough City Council (PCC) ‘Think Communities’ and that the local community can be involved in the project. The Parish Council agreed that this was a good idea. Cllr Howell will ask the artist to give the Parish Council a presentation on her work and ideas for the mosaic.  
**Action:** Cllr Howell.
- 103/09-21 Mural for Rangefield Sheltered housing complex**  
Cllr Howell reported that the Rangefield Sheltered housing complex has recently had an extension and have a new social area. The walls are currently plain and residents would like a mural painted on one of them to brighten up the room. Unfortunately the Landlord Cross Keys is not interested in doing this. It was agreed that the residents’ social club should apply to the Parish Council for funding of the mural. Cllr Farnham stated that the Orton Charities may also be able to help with some funding. It was also suggested that Cross Keys should also be approached again and asked to pay at least half towards the mural. Cllr Howell will report this back to Rangefield residents.  
**Action:** Cllr Howell.
- 104/09-21 Parking Issues at Ormiston Meadow Academy**  
Inconsiderate parking by parents picking up children from Ormiston Meadow Academy at lunchtimes is causing an issue for residents living in Matley. The road is constantly being blocked and residents are sometimes not able to drive in or out of their properties. Recently an ambulance could not get through. The Academy’s response is that they have no control over the matter as it is occurring outside of their grounds. It was stated that this issue should subside in the coming weeks as reception children will then be attending full time.
- As there are also issues with parent parking around Matley at morning and afternoon drop off/ pick up times, Cllr Knight and Ward Cllr Day offered to find out if the Academy would be interested in joining the PCC Council School Streets scheme whereby schools can temporarily close a road outside their entrance, enabling it to become a pedestrian and cycle/scoot zone during the school’s opening and closing times.  
**Action:** Cllr Knight, Cllr Day.
- 105/09-21 Addressing Climate and Nature emergency**  
The Parish Council Climate Change Challenge document is now on the Parish Council website. Ward Cllr Day stated that PCC are looking into creating plan templates which can be adjusted to suit individual Parish Councils.

**106/09-21 Bulky waste collections at the Orton Centre**  
Next collection is Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022, 10 am – 12 pm.

**107/09-21 Parish Council meeting dates**  
It was reported that Orton Wistow community centre no longer has any evening availability for the Parish Council to change its venue for meetings. It was agreed that meetings will continue as they are however the Clerk will ask the Village Hall to inform her if the hall ever becomes free on another evening.  
**Action:** Clerk.

**108/09-21 Reports from outside bodies**  
Orton Counselling Service for Young People meeting - postponed until November 2021.

**109/09-21 Allotments**  
The Clerk reported that rent allotment letters have been sent out.

Any incidents of fly tipping outside the entrance to Gostwick allotments should be reported Cllr Howell.

**110/09-21 Cemetery**  
An oak tree, sown from an acorn has been donated by Cllr Chambers to the Parish Council and will be planted in the cemetery. As a thank you gesture, it was agreed that the tree will be dedicated in memory to Cllr Chambers late daughter Helen Chambers who was well known throughout the parish. A plaque commemorating her will be placed by the tree.  
**Action:** Clerk.

**111/09-21 Finance & Administration**

1. The following items of expenditure were approved:

Information Commissioner's Office	Data protection renewal	£35.00
Hopes Grove Nurseries Ltd	Hedging for allotment	£358.00
Land Registry	Copy of Title Register	£3.00
Orton Waterville Village Hall	Hall rental July 2021 – March 2022	£150.00
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's salary (Aug 2021)	£1244.24
Cambridgeshire County Council	Superannuation (Aug 2021) employer/employee contributions	£387.39
HMRC	Tax and NI (Aug 2021)	£271.81
Rialtas Business Solutions	Alpha Software Annual Support and Maintenance	£148.80
Peterborough Limited	Lengthsman (August 2021)	£2314.92
R Harding & Son Landscaping	Cemetery & parish landscape maintenance works Aug 2021	£1681.50
PKF Littlejohn LLP	External Auditor service for accounts	£360.00
Came & Company	Parish Council insurance	£2011.22
Treasured Memories	Memorial Plaque	£36.50
Wave	Water charges - cemetery	£29.45
Greenbarnes	Cemetery noticeboard	£1003.83
Cartridgesave	Black printer toners	£41.80
R Harding & Son Landscaping	Cemetery & parish landscape maintenance works Sept 2021	£1376.50
Peterborough Limited	Lengthsman (September 2021)	£2314.92
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's salary (Sept 2021)	£1244.24
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's expenses and reimbursements (August/Sept 2021)	£112.33
Cambridgeshire County Council	Superannuation (Sept 2021) employer/employee contributions	£387.39
HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI (Sept 2021)	£271.81

2. Income received

PCC – 2nd Instalment of Parish Council precept	£24,269.25
PCC – 2nd Instalment for Parish Recreation grounds	£1470.00
PCC – 2nd Instalment for Parish Burial grounds	£1557.75
Allotment rents	£1617.50
Burial ground fees	£4063.00
Bank interest August & September	£0.64

3. It was RESOLVED to approve the end of month accounts and bank reconciliation.

4. The Conclusion of Audit for year-end 31st March 2021 was noted. No remarks were made by the External Auditor. The notice has been placed on the website.

**112/09-21**

**Planning matters**

It was RESOLVED to submit comments where appropriate on applications as below:

20/00846/HHFUL	Planning Appeal: Installation of external wall insulation with grey render at ground floor level and off-white render at first floor level, mosaic tile at first floor level to the rear, and the installation of 7no. new AC units located within acoustic housing and the removal of 2no. existing AC units, and associated alterations (Part-retrospective) at 21 Cherryfields, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5XD	Cllr Nicola Day to keep Parish Council updated
21/00881/FUL	Revised Details: Amended site plan - Change of use of vacant office building and associated extensions from Class E(g)(i) (Office) to Class C2 (Care home), forming 120x rooms and associated communal rooms and facilities at Yorkshire Building Society, Lynch Wood, Peterborough PE2 6WZ	No material observations
21/01356/HHFUL	Demolition of existing rear extension and construction of new single storey rear extension at 38 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5EQ	No material observations
21/01357/LBC	Demolition of existing rear extension and construction of new single storey rear extension with additional window to first floor south elevation at 38 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5EQ	No material observations
21/01042/HHFUL	Proposed first floor side extension at 60 Carradale, Orton Brimbles, Peterborough PE2 5XQ	No material observations
21/01379/HHFUL	Replacement roof (to include rooflights) and exterior alterations to existing sunroom at 25 Fraserburgh Way, Orton Southgate, Peterborough PE2 6SS	No material observations

**113/09-21**

**Maintenance**

None.

**114/09-21**

**Future agenda items and announcements**

May 2022 meeting will be changed to Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 due to Clerk's holiday.

**115/09-21**

**Date of next meeting** – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021

The meeting closed at 8.26 pm.