

# COSSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of Cossington Parish Council was held in the Village Hall, Cossington on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor G. Terry (Chairman), Councillors J. Clasby, E. Ingram and J. Stradling.

Apology for absence received from Councillors P. Blundell, M.F. Dare, Mrs L. Woodward, District Councillor B. Crow and County/District Councillor M. Healey and Suria Aujla.

## **14. Interests**

Members had no interests to disclose.

## **15. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

## **16. Reports of the County and District Councillors**

Neither of the Members were in attendance.

## **17. Report from Organisations**

The Chairman reported that the Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall Committee would be held on 15<sup>th</sup> June. Councillor Clasby had nothing new to report in respect of Neighbourhood Watch.

## **18. Maintenance Items**

It was noted that there were no new road defects or instances of fly-tipping to report. Regarding the Flood Group, the water course was flowing smoothly although there were fallen twigs and branches building up in some areas which would need clearing at a suitable opportunity. Monitoring of dog fouling was continuing.

County Highways had been reminded of their promise to complete the work to rectify the drainage issues in Brent Road/Cossington Lane during the current financial year and pollution control officers had investigated recent discharges of liquid along the southern side of the road. It was agreed to seek an update from County Highways on their plans to relocate the village nameplate at Middle Road to a suitable permanent position.

There was no update on the former railway bridge at Broderip but Councillor Clasby agreed to check to ascertain if there had been any further recent movement. Councillor Stradling would fit a commemorative plaque to a seat in the village centre in memory of Bob Bailey, a school minibus driver.

The Chairman reported that a Meeting would be held with the Head and Deputy Head of Cossington School to discuss recent issues and the school's future plans.

## **19. Authorisation for Payment**

The following payments were authorised:-

001016 W. Stancer	Jubilee grant	£200.00
001017 Parish Clerk	expenses & sundry payments	£508.22
001018 GWB Services	grass cutting	£262.20

The Internal Auditor had inspected the Council's accounts for 2021/22 and had no issues to raise with Members.

Open Meeting 7.45 p.m.

No members of the public were present.

Open Meeting closed at 7.46 p.m.

## **20. Planning Applications**

The Chairman reported that a retrospective planning application was anticipated in connection with the unauthorised installation of gabions along the southern boundary of the building plot at Station Road.

## **21. Playing Field**

It was understood that Sutcliffe Play South West would install the new play equipment during July. The Archery Club had been invoiced for use of the field during the current year. Investigation would take place to ascertain if a less expensive tariff for the electricity supply to the hut could be achieved due to the recent large increase in the standing charges.

## **22. Cossington in Bloom/Parish Newsletter**

Councillors Clasby and Ingram would compile a shortlist for each of the main 2022 Gardens Competition categories by 30<sup>th</sup> June and these would be passed to independent judges who would visit Cossington during July. The "Hidden Gem" award would be judged by Parish Council members as usual, also in July. The awards would be presented at the Garden Show on 17<sup>th</sup> September.

There had been no volunteers coming forward to serve on a Roads and Traffic Working Group following delivery of the recent parish newsletter.

The Chairman would circulate copies of the last village survey questionnaire to Members to decide if any amendments are necessary prior to the proposed new survey later in the year.

## **23. Date of Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next Meeting be held on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

The Meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

Chairman