

MELTON CONSTABLE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Melton Constable Parish Council held on Wednesday 26 January 2022 at 7.30pm in the hall of the Country Club, Melton Constable

Present: Cllr Dave Carter Chairman
Cllr Steve Unsworth
Cllr Ms Allyson Crawford
Cllr John Cox

Clerk: Mrs Jenny English

2022/01 To consider accepting apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Tina Eldred

2022/02 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2021

Proposed by Cllr Cox. Seconded by Cllr Ms Crawford

Approved

2022/03 To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda

None

2022/04 To consider matters arising from the last minutes (not on the agenda) for information purposes only

3472 The date of the meeting is incorrect

3460 Cars behind the old telephone exchange. There are now only two cars and the site has been tidied up.

3464 The numbering posts and notice boards are in place.

2022/05 To adjourn the meeting to allow for public participation (10 minutes)

There were no members of the public present.

2022/06 Finances

2022/06/i To discuss and approve proposed requirements for 2022/23 Precept (previously circulated)

During a discussion councillors were agreed that the precept amount be kept to the same as the financial year 2021/2022 as it was felt that there was no justification in increasing it.

Cllr Cox proposed that Melton Constable Parish Council ask North Norfolk District Council for £14,510 precept for the financial year 2022/2023. Seconded Cllr Unsworth. **Approved**

2022/06/ii To agree current and forward payments (circulated) and note receipts

Country Club invoice for usage during 2021: £120

Replacement provision for Clerks laptop and Microsoft Office: £600. It was decided to defer this purchase until a new clerk had been appointed

Allotment marker sticks (invoice 134): £510

January Eon Direct Debit (January 2022): £39.75

February Eon Direct Debit (February 2022): £39.75 (+/- 10%)

Cllr Ms Crawford proposed that these invoices be paid apart from the laptop and Microsoft Office. Seconded by Cllr Unsworth. **Approved**

2022/06/iii Quotes for grass cutting 2022/23 – to discuss and approve

It was reported that Paul Collins had quoted £2,414 for cutting the play area and recreation ground. This is for one cut per month and three extra cuts.

Paul Minns quoted £3,200 for cutting the church yard, the bus shelter and the Astley Terrace. This is for 16 cuts to the church yard and bus shelter and two cuts to Astley Terrace.

Cllr Unsworth proposed that these quotations be accepted. Seconded by Cllr Ms Crawford **Approved**

2022/06/iv Request for donation from Citizens Advice Bureau

Cllr Cox proposed that a donation of £50 be made. Seconded by Cllr Ms Crawford

Approved

2022/07 Items for the next agenda

Hedge opposite the houses in the Astley Terrace is now overgrown and needs to be reported to Norfolk County Council Highways Department.

Cllr Cox will do a street light check and report back to the next meeting. This will include the light which is not working at the bus shelter. He will report this to the contractor.

Rubbish in the alleyway behind number 12 Astley Terrace. A letter will be sent to Brown & Co asking for this to be cleared.

Queen's Jubilee – lighting of the beacon

Councillor reports including county and district councillor.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed:

Dated: