

# Quinton Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on the **17 May 2022** which started at 7:00pm and the following business was transacted.

**Present:** Cllrs. Javes (Chair), Core, Shellard, Bromfield, Holt.  
District/ Ward Cllr. Grant  
The Clerk.

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## AGENDA

- 17-05-1** Nominations were received and Cllr. Peter Collyer was **ELECTED THE CHAIRMAN** of the Parish Council for the year.
- 17-05-2** **ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE** form to be signed by the Chairman.
- 17-05-3** **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** were made by Cllr. Javes who was appointed Chairman for the meeting.
- 17-05-4** **APOLOGIES** for absence were approved for Cllr. Collyer and Cllr. Rooks.
- 17-05-5** There were no **DISPENSATION** requests made and Cllr. Javes made a **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** on items on the agenda for item **17-05-6**.
- 17-05-6** Nominations were received and Cllr. Javes was **ELECTED VICE CHAIR** of the Parish Council for the year.
- 17-05-7** Cllr. Shellard was appointed **INTERNAL VERIFIER** for the Council's Accounts.
- 17-05-8** Northants Calc were appointed **INTERNAL AUDITOR** for the Council's Accounts.
- 17-05-9** The **DATES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS** for the year, being the third Tuesday of each alternate month starting January of each year or as otherwise designated by the Clerk as it be necessary were confirmed as follows.

19 July 2022, 20 September 2022, 15 November 2022, 17 January 2023.  
21 March 2023.

- 17-05-10** There were no changes to the **MEMBERS REGISTER of INTEREST**.
- 17-05-11** The council **RESOLVED** that it would use the **GENERAL POWER of COMPETENCE** as it passes both the 2/3 elected council members and a qualified Clerk test.
- 17-05-12** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the **MINUTES** of the meeting held on 15 March 2022.
- 17-05-13** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the nationally recommended **PAY AWARD** for the Clerk. The hourly rate moves from £11.67 to £12.21 per hour.
- 17-05-14** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt revisions of the following **POLICIES** of the Council.  
**Risk Assessment, Standing Orders.**
- 17-05-15** The council's **INSURANCE POLICY** was reviewed, and it was **RESOLVED** to continue with the existing supplier, the new annual rate will be £398.35
- 17-05-16** **ITEMS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISH TO RAISE** were discussed.  
The issue of car driving on the small village green was discussed and the Clerk will investigate with Highways to see if it is possible to have parking bays marked on the road adjacent to the green. Councillors will also monitor the number and frequency of incidents with a view to writing to residents to try and avoid incidents in the future.  
The grassed area around the notice board has now been cut and is no longer an issue.
- 17-05-17** The **WARD COUNCILLOR** gave an overview.  
West Northants Council has an annual budget of £917m and last year they ended with a surplus of £5m.  
The M1 Junction 15 site is behind schedule as Network rail are not ready to connect the rail link to the national network, they are approximately 18 months behind schedule. The contractors have submitted a request to the Government to build some of the proposed units in advance of the link being ready, an answer is due soon.  
The Highways contract, currently held by Kier, is up for renewal this year and WNC will announce the winner in due course.

Manor Oak Homes issue is still being discussed (no planning application has been submitted yet) Once an application is made further information will be supplied.

**17-05-18** The following **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** were reviewed.

**WNS/2022/0662/MAF Polytunnels**, the council re-enforced its objections to the plan.

**WNS/2022/0691/FUL Forest Lodge**, there were no objections to the application.

**WNS/2022/0759/HPD** 16 Preston Deanery Road, there were no objections to this application.

**17-05-19** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the **FINANCE REPORT** for the 1 Month to 30 April 2022, and to approve **PAYMENTS** of the attached accounts.

**17-05-20** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the **INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT** and agree to submit a **CERTIFICATE of EXEMPTION** in place of submitting the **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN** to the external auditors.

**17-05-21** The **WORKING PARTY** reports were discussed, and all Councillors are happy to continue submitting the monthly reports.

**17-05-22** The **CLERKS** requests were discussed, and it is confirmed that all councillors have an exclusive email account for their council work.

**17-05-23** The **COMMUNITY FUND** was reviewed.

The two major projects, the football goal and the bucket swing have stalled for the moment as the prices being offered are not in line with what was allocated in the budget. The Clerk is seeking new sources for the equipment.

The Street Light project (not from community fund money) was agreed to move to the next stage as the cost of installation etc. is below the amount budgeted for. The opinion from residents will now be sought.

**17-05-24** There were no other **MEETINGS ATTENDED**.

**17-05-25** **CORRESPONDENCE / CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS** were reviewed, and the Playground Report was accepted by the council.

The council is also considering a plaque to be placed at the village pump site, this will be discussed at the next meeting.

**17-05-26** To receive **ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING** on 19 July 2021.

Jubilee Tree Planting

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Council members can be contacted via the Clerk

Pump Plaque.

17-05-27 Meeting CLOSED at 20:30.



**John Scott**  
Clerk to Quinton Parish Council

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**Accounts to be approved and paid.**

Date	Month	From	Invoice Number	Amount	VAT	Total	Description
		Sub Total		436.64	11.65	448.29	
31/03/2022	Mar-22	Clerk Expenses		145.00		145.00	Clerk Expenses
31/03/2022	Mar-22	J R Scott Salary March		233.40	-	233.40	Staff Costs
31/03/2022	Mar-22	N J Blackwell		58.24	11.65	69.89	Grass Cutting

Date	Month	From	Invoice Number	Amount	VAT	Total	Description
		Sub Total		328.81	-	328.81	
30/04/2022	Apr-22	Clerks Salary	April	233.40	-	233.40	Staff Costs
30/04/2022	Apr-22	Clerk Expenses	April	94.41		94.41	Staff Costs
29/04/2022	Apr-22	Transfer	April	1.00		1.00	