

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting
Of Broughton Parish Council
Held on Monday 15th January 2024 at 7.00pm
At St Marys House, Broughton

Councillors Present

Cllr Byrne, Cllr Howarth and Cllr Leech

Clerk to the Council, Mrs C Coles

24/01. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Mills (work)

24/02. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda

Cllr Howarth declared an interest in item 24/06 as a member of St Marys House.

24/03. Public participation session

No members of the public were present.

24/04. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2023

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

24/05. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda

Donation from North Newington Parish Council (NNPC) towards the cutting of the cemetery – The Chair contacted the Chair of NNPC and then a letter was sent. The letter will be considered by them in due course.

New waste bin for Jubilee Gardens – The Parish Clerk will order the bin and it will be secured to the ground.

24/06. Financial Report

Update on bank balances

a) The Clerk reported an account balance of £11,445.86

b) *To note the NALC revised salary scale for the Clerk for 2023/24 with the amount backdated to April*
The new salary scale was accepted and the backpay was agreed. The Clerk has moved to the next point on the scale.

c) *To approve the following payments*

- £438.24 To Parish Clerk (hours)
- £200.00 to St Marys House (donation). It was agreed to increase the donation to £250.00 as electricity costs have gone up.

d) *To set the precept for 2024/25*

A draft precept paper was circulated before the meeting. Estimated expenditure for 2024/25 is £6.9K. It was agreed to increase the precept by 5%. It will be set at £6577.00.

Action: The Parish Clerk to notify CDC.

24/07. To receive an update on planning

There were no applications to consider.

24/08. To receive the following correspondence

- CDC, Community & Parish Council Climate Networking Event on 24th January 2024. The Chair would like to attend.

Action: The Parish Clerk to book.

- Highways, Temporary Road closure on Banbury Road, North Newington 5-8 March 2024. Details will be put on the noticeboard nearer the time.

24/09. To receive Councillors Reports

The Chair reported that the hedge by the car park on Wykham Lane will be cut back by Banbury Wild. Councillors to discuss a donation at the next meeting.

The Chair noted a new Speedwatch rota will be drawn up soon. Villagers are pleased that the Parish Council are trying to enforce the 30mph speed.

The brown bin subscriptions are due for the brown bins for St Marys House and the Parish Council. The renewal price is £49.00 per bin. This cost was accepted.

Action: The Chair to pay the subscriptions.

Some of the dog bins were overflowing recently but Councillors think it was due to the flooding and more people walking higher up.

24/10. To note next meeting date and time

Monday 26th February 2024 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.