

**Minutes of North Cotes Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July  
2022 at 7.30pm at The New Tribes Mission**

**Present:** Councillor Hicks, Councillor van der Horst, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Brearley, Councillor Shipman, and several members of the public and members of the Village Hall Committee.

**Apologies:** District Councillor McMillan, Councillor Daniel McNally

**1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** – The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

**2. MATTERS ARISING**

**2.1 Rural Safety Partnership – Speed Watch Scheme Update** – No further updates or news. **Action:** Parish Clerk to chase up for more training dates and try to get more volunteers.

**2.2 Village Hall/Church – update – Church** – Cllr van de Horst and Mrs Atkinson attended a meeting with the Rural Dean the Revd Kimberly Bohan. It was noted that the church had been marked for being closed down. The local community group had raised an objection to this move and opted for it to become a festival church. In order for this to be achieved the Church Committee would need to raise substantial funds to enable the church to stay open. It was noted that a coffee morning and treasure hunt had been organised to start fundraising. It was also noted that there were two new church wardens: Claire Hankey and Lisa Gedd. **Action:** Parish Clerk to invite The Revd Bohan, Ms Hankey and Ms Gedd to the September meeting to discuss the future of the church. **Village Hall** – It was noted that a new committee had been formed with Mrs Lorraine Mills being appointed as chair and Mrs Kerri Pasquill-Johnson as Vice Chair. It was noted that several sports grants had been applied for to help with the renovation of the tennis court. It was also noted that the Mrs Mills was arranging to get the grass on the playing field cut and was looking at options to put the hall to good use including things like ‘Band nights’ and tabletop sales. The Football Team Representative did not attend the meeting, so we have no feedback from them and a representative of the ‘former’ snooker club did not attend either. It was agreed unanimously that the Parish Council would provide a grant to the Village Hall in the sum of £3500 to help the hall move forward. **Action: (1)** Parish clerk to provide monthly expenditure reports to both the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee. **(2)** Parish Clerk to provide a meter reading to BG Business and to try to reduce the electricity bill **(3)** Chase up on Charitable status for Business Rates.

**2.3 Overview of Crime** – It was noted that none of the Councillors had heard of any crime related incidents recently and the trail bike issue seemed to have quietened down.

### **3 CORRESPONDENCE**

**3.1 Letter Meadow View** – It was noted that a letter had been received requesting the potential lease of land that belongs to the Trust Houses. The parish Council agreed that the land cannot be leased or sold as it belongs to the Poores Land Trust and is currently part of a tenanted property. It was suggested that the current tenant was not keeping the land clean and tidy. **Action:** Parish clerk to write to tenant to request that the area is kept in a good and proper condition.

**3.2 Fleetway parking – View Obstruction – 2 complaints** – The Parish Council had received two separate complaints with regards to a large white van blocking a junction and an accident had been caused because of this van blocking the view of the junction. The Parish council noted that this was a highways issue and that the council have no legal powers over this. Any complaints received should be forwarded onto highways. **Action:** Parish Clerk to respond to both complaints with the Councils response.

### **4 FINANCE**

**4.1 Cheques** – The following Cheques were approved:  
Parish Clerk Wages – Cheque No: 353

### **5 AOB**

**5.1 Coffee Morning** – It was noted that the Coffee Morning club had chosen not to return to the hall as they felt that they couldn't justify the hire fees. It was suggested that maybe they could just hire the kitchen area at a reduced rate and that something could be organised if they wanted to return and they should liaise with the Village Hall Committee.

**5.2 Tetney Lock Footpath** – It was noted that the Footpath issue had finally been resolved and a consultation period would start on the 15th July to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022. **Action:** (1) Parish Clerk to display notice on the Parish Council Board. (2) Parish Clerk to contact ELDC with regards to new footpath signage.

**The date for the next meeting - was fixed as Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7.30pm. The meeting will be held at the Village Hall.**

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25pm**