

# Arnesby Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held In Arnesby Village Hall  
On Tuesday 21st May 2024 at 7.30 pm

## Attendees:

### 1. Apologies for absence

- John Mawby, Bob Jones, Neil Bannister.

### 2. Expressions of interest related to business on the agenda.

- Zandra Byatt indicated that she wished to raise a point in the open session around tree works and a quote provided by her partner formed part of this, she would therefore abstain from any voting on this matter.

### 3. To approve minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

- Approved

### 4. To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024:

- Update on Severn Trent Water treatment plant.
  - No further communication has been received from Severn Trent
- To receive An update on a policy or charter around the use of Village Greens.
  - A policy has not yet been agreed and will be provided at the next meeting for approval.

### 5. To approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

- Approved

### 6. To approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

- Approved

### 7. Annual Governance and Accountability Return. (AGAR 2022-23). (paper APC/May24/1)

- Leigh Maidment took those present through the annual AGAR return. The councillors then went through the Annual Governance Statements and agreed each.

### 8. To receive a financial statement

- for 1 April 2023 to 31st March 2024 (paper APC/May24/2).
  - The Parish Council ended the 2023/24 financial year with funds of £38,336.55 in the bank. In year the standard expenses were circa £16.5k, against a precept of £14.5k. the overspend was due to £2.5k of costs associated with the Village Playing field (Primarily legal fees and fencing repairs.)
- for 1 April 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (paper APC/May24/3).
  - During the first month of 2024/25 financial year the Parish Council spent £535.86 and received the first half of the annual precept payment of £7,975.00, leaving a balance in bank at the end of April of £45,775.69

### 9. To receive a progress report with the Neighbourhood Plan review.

- David Johnson informed those present that the Neighbourhood Plan was now in it's final stages. The final document has been presented to all relevant consultees and whilst there were a few minor points made, nothing that made a material difference to the content of the plan. The plan was subsequently submitted to Harborough District Council for comment and approval. The response was positive and they have confirmed that there is no need for a referendum on the Neighbourhood Plan Review.

All that is remaining is for councillors to consider the plan for approval, in the next agenda item, and the final submission to the planning inspector.

**10. To approve the Neighbourhood Plan Review pre-submission document.**

- It was proposed by Jennifer Lees and Seconded by Zandra Byatt that the plan be approved. Approved unanimously.

**11. To discuss the opportunity of applying for a Harborough District Council Environmental Grant.**

- David Johnston informed the meeting that it had been brought to our attention that there was a pot of money held by Harborough District Council which Non Profit Organisations were able to bid for grant funding from. Various discussions were had around potential projects, but none appeared to fit the criteria of the grants. It was therefore agreed that councillors would consider what options there might be and table them at the next meeting.

**12. To consider planning matters.**

- None to discuss on this occasion.

**13. To receive a report from District Councillor Neil Bannister.**

- Not present.

**14. Open session for questions and future business.**

- None

**Date of future meetings: 23 July, 17 September & 19 November.**

Village Hall to be venue if free.

Leigh Maidment,  
Clerk to the Parish Council

23rd May 2024