

# Arnesby Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Arnesby Village Hall.

on

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7.00 pm

**Attendees:** David Johnstone (chair), Zandra Byatt, John Mawby, Leigh Maidment (clerk).

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
  - Bob Jones & Jennifer Lees
- 2. Expressions of interest related to business on the agenda.**
  - None
- 3. To approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024.**
  - Approved
- 4. To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024:**
  - Update on Severn Trent Water treatment plant.
    - David Johnstone has continued communications with Severn Trent Water. They have indicated that they are keen to support us in finding a resolution, but aren't willing to send a representative to meet the Parish Council.
  - First Aid course for parishioners.
    - Discussions ongoing, but will be in the new year.
- 5. To receive a financial statement for the period 1 April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 (paper APC/Nov24/1).**
  - Approved
- 6. To receive a progress report with the Neighbourhood Plan review.**
  - Harborough District Council have informed that due to the housing development changes identified, there will need to be a referendum held on adoption of the revised Neighbourhood Plan. This will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. The Parish council will distribute a leaflet to parishioners informing them of the referendum and include such in the Arnesby Newsletter.
- 7. To consider planning matters.**
  - Diversion of Public Footpath Y9 - Peatling Magna.
    - No objections.
- 8. To discuss the interest in installing Electric Vehicle Charges in the Parish.**
  - Despite being generally supportive of the proposal, Councillors had concerns about the availability of a site for this and the burden in terms of running costs and future maintenance costs that this might put on the Parish council. It was therefore
- 9. To discuss issues arising from agricultural use of minor country roads.**
  - It was agreed that there is an issue with agricultural vehicles damaging and soiling roads, but as this is within the law, it was felt that there was little which could be done to combat this.
- 10. To discuss proposal for items to be included in the 2025/26 budget.**
  - It was agreed by councillors that the Parish Council continue to support the provision of a community area identified in previous meetings, and that funds should continue to be accrued for this purpose.

- ZB proposed that we include funds to replace the Rowan Tree outside of the Village hall. Agreed.
- ZB raised the possibility of including funds for road furniture to prevent parking on village greens, however it was thought that there needs to be more investigation before this could be agreed.
- ZB raised whether grant funding should be included for the Loseby Trust, however it was felt that this should be self-funding and could apply for grant funding in the usual way.
- Terry Cane asked whether the Parish Council should expand awareness of the Parish Council grant process. It was asked that Terry write a paper to propose how this might be work. To be discussed at a future Parish Council meeting. It was not thought that this had any financial implications to the Parish Council.

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

- Neil wished to draw the Parish Councils attention to 2 planning applications in the district that had recently been received. The first related to the proposed Lutterworth East development and is an application for change of the condition related to the proposed warehouse use, changing this from multiple smaller units to less much bigger units. It has also been proposed to reduce the affordable homes requirement from 40% to 10%. The second application has been received from Tarmac who have applied to open a quarry next to the proposed Lutterworth East development.
- The HDC local plan will be shown to members on 18<sup>th</sup> December, and presented to cabinet for approval on 16<sup>th</sup> January. If approved there would then be a 6 week period of consultation for related parties to comment.

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

- Sue Spriggs raised that Oak Lane seems to have insufficient lighting. It was noted, but there are no street lights inoperable. There were however 2 lights on road signs which were not working. LM to report to the Highways Department.
- It was noted that there was a discrepancy on the Parish Council website where only 3 councillors were listed in one section. LM to correct.

**Date of future meetings: 21 January 2025, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025 & 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

Village Hall to be venue if free.

Leigh Maidment,  
Clerk to the Parish Council

24<sup>th</sup> November 2024