MINUTES OF NORMANTON ON SOAR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY 3rd JULY 2025 IN THE VILAGE HALL AT 7.00PM

Present: Cllrs Dave Smith (Chairman), Stuart Sleight, Glen Martin, Patrick Burge,

The Clerk Sue Lewis and County Cllrs Andy Brown were also present

25/PC/29 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** **Cllrs** Sue Ponting, Nigel Hillier, Matt Barney & Stuart Matthews reasons given and approved

25/PC/30 **TO APPROVE AS A TRUE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 12TH JUNE 2025 – PAGES 4-6**

Proposed Cllr Dave Smith Seconded Cllr Stuart Sleight
Agreed Unanimously

25/PC/31 **CLERKS REPORT**

- The overgrown footpaths were reported to the Rights of Way Officer. A response was received stating that there has been an issue with the contractors, and the service has now gone out to tender for a replacement. As a result, the cutting is currently a few weeks behind schedule.
- Allotments – Notice has been given on allotments 5 and 10.
- Missing chevrons have been replaced.
- School lights – a crew is being sent out to look at them and VIA have apologised for the delay.
- Soar Lane – Van now removed following a letter to the Plough

25/PC/32 **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Andy Brown reported that

- All meetings scheduled for June have been cancelled.
- A date has been arranged with the team to address flooding issues in the village.
- A meeting will soon be held with Network Rail to review the traffic plan ahead of the Zouch Bridge closure and to discuss road closures.
- At next week's Full Council meeting, I will be seconding a motion to secure additional funding from the East Midlands Mayor for improved transport links in our area. I will also be requesting a meeting, as Rushcliffe remains the only area without a bus service to the airport.
- Photographs have been taken of Moor Lane.
- I am currently serving on the Planning and Joint Transport Committee.
- Regarding the new Local Government structure — there is still no clear update on what is happening.

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25/PC/33 **TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON POLICING, FLOODING, HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC MATTERS**

To discuss the possibility of setting up a petition on the state of the footpaths - Photographs have been taken of the footpaths and submitted to via.

Balencing Pond – waiting for the owners to agree.

The Chair declared an interest in the next item.

24/PC/34 **PLANNING APPLICATION – REF25/01089/FUL 35 FAR LANE – SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION**

No Objections **Agreed by 3 in favour with 1 abstention**

25/PC/35 **TO RECEIVE REPORTS AND UPDATES AND ANY ACTIONS CONSIDERED**

FERRY – UPDATE ON RAILING ETC – Railings have all been repaired and a thank you has been put on face book. The board on the bank on the far side needs replacing in the future.

JUBILEE FIELD – Tracking still needs to be done. The picnic area was discussed again, and it was agreed to look at an alternative surface.

VILLAGE NEWS ITEMS – Nothing to report

25/PC/36 **TO APPROVE PAYMENTS, FOR JUNE 2025**

Payment Method	Payee	Details	Amount
BACS	Susan Lewis	Salary	308.25
BACS	HMRC	PAYE	77.20
BACS	Ladybug Garden Services	Mowing of Verges	258.00
BACS	Ladybug Garden Services	Strim around Play Equipment	49.00
BACS	Ladybug Garden Services	Strim around Trees	55.00
BACS	Ladybug Garden Services	Repairs to Ferry Rails Etc	920.00
BACS	NCC	Landscaping Contract	184.08

Receipts

		Details	Amount
23/06/25	M Stanley	Ferry Takings	456.32

Proposed Cllr Dave Smith **Seconded Cllr Glen Martin**
Agreed Unanimously

25/PC/37 **TO REPORT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING – INFORMATION ONLY**

None

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25/PC/38 ANY OTHER MATTERS ON WHICH THE CLERK OR MEMBERS WISH TO REPORT. INFORMATION ONLY

The Play Inspection report has been forwarded to Cllr Nigel Hillier to prepare a report. Item to be carried forward to next meeting.

Way marker posts outside the Church and Butt Lane still have not been replaced – Clerk to chase.

Soar Lane – A request was made for action to be taken regarding smoking outside the fire escape and the general condition of the land. A letter will be sent to remind the owners that the area is private land and should not be used for parking vehicles or any other unauthorised use. We also request that the area be kept clean and tidy. Additionally, residents have raised concerns about workers smoking outside the fire escape. Please be reminded that this door is designated for emergency use only, and the right of way crosses private property.

Allotments – please be aware that there is a waiting list with the Clerk has.

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