

SOUTHERY PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Wednesday 9 March 2022 at 7.00 pm
in the Southery Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Chris Edwards
Cllr Christine Feltwell (Presided as Chair)
Cllr Javey Osler
Helen Richardson, Parish Clerk & Financial Responsible Person

In attendance:

Members of the Public: 2

21/22 To Approve a Councillor to Preside as Chair

RESOLVED: That Cllr Christine Feltwell be nominated and approved to preside over the meeting. (Cllr Chris Edwards proposed, Cllr Javey Osler seconded, all were in favour)

22/22 To consider apologies for absence and To Approve Any Special Leave of Absence

That apologies be accepted from Cllr Alison Youngs, Cllr Annette Osler, Cllr Roger Whitehead, and Cllr Crispin Copey (due to personal and health reasons).

23/22 To receive Declarations of Interest on Agenda Items and Dispensation Requests

There were none.

24/22 To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9 February 2022 and to Note Matters Arising (Clerks Report)

Were agreed as a correct record

Allotments – The Clerk received an update from the Feltwell PC Clerk after the February meeting to advise that the Council are going to see what interest they get early Spring.

Church Ruins – The Church Ruins have been cut but no other contact has been received from the Diocese on the matter.

Lions Court – The Clerk emailed NCC Drainage team on 30 November to request dates for a site visit with the Council. They advised they would write a letter w/c 6 December.

Flood Light (new) Playing Field – After the February meeting the Clerk confirmed to the Contractor to do the work to replace it and when weather permits

Streetlights – The Clerk reported three streetlights out reported at the February meeting to the contractor to attend.

Streetlight Lynn Road – New Column and Light – The Clerk progressed the insurance claim on 22 February for replacement of the column and light and will await further instructions from them.

Grounds Maintenance Contract – The Clerk confirmed acceptance of the contract to the contractor on 15 February 2022 by email and asked that the first cut be scheduled as it was last year approximately early March.

Planning Applications received between meetings

21/02430/F Replacement and additional perimeter fencing and gates and replacement of timber windows with white UPVs windows, Southery Primary school. No comment returned 22.02.22.

22/00169F A static caravan will be proposed 17 Lynn Road, Southery, PE38 0HU.

Planning Decisions

21/02376/F 76 Feltwell Road, Southery, 2 storey side extension. Application permitted. 10 February 2022, Delegated decision.

25/22 To Note Any Councillors Concerns or items for next meeting and note forward work programme.

Apologies was received from Cllr Martin Storey.

26/22 To Note Works Completed in February and to Approve Any Handyman Work for March 2022

RESOLVED: That work as presented on the Village Caretaker schedule for March be approved. (Cllr Javey Osler proposed, Cllr Christine Feltwell seconded, all were in favour).

27/22 To Discuss the Queen’s Jubilee – June 2022 and Approve Any Actions or Costs Associated including a Beacon

The flag had been sorted for the event. There had been a suggestion to purchase mugs for the children of the village, it was agreed to find out how many children there were and approve an order at the April meeting.

28/22 To Discuss Orchard Way Streetlights Adoption and Approve Any Action or Costs Required

The Clerk agreed to continue communication with NCC and the Developer and update the Parish Council as required.

29/22 To Discuss and Approve any Action in Relation to Fencing in the Cemetery Damaged not owned by the Parish Council (Feltwell Roadside)

The Clerk agreed to assess the fence and contact the owner if needed.

30/22 To Approve the Commissioning of a Drainage Survey within the Southery Cemetery

The Clerk would continue with investigations.

31/22 To Approve Change of Battery Charging Regime from Four to Every Three Weeks

RESOLVED: That the Battery for Speed Signs are charged for three weeks. (Proposed Cllr Christine Feltwell, Seconded Cllr Chris Edwards, all were in favour)

32/22 To Approve a Response to a Planning Consultation Planning Appeal: Appeal Reference: APP/V2635/W/21/3287198 (LPA Reference 21/01509) 6 Common Lane, Southery – Outline application: Construction of two 2 storey dwellings following demolition of existing substandard bungalow.

The Parish Council had no comments.

33/22 To Approve a Response to Planning Consultation: 22/00169F A static caravan will be proposed 17 Lynn Road, Southery, PE38 0HU.

The Parish Council had no comments

34/22 To Approve Annual Review of National Playing Field Association Membership

RESOLVED: That the NPFA Membership for £25 be renewed. (Proposed Cllr Chris Edwards, seconded Cllr Javey Osler, all were in favour).

35/22 To Approve the following statement to be submitted to the Secretary of State regarding Hybrid Council (online) meetings: *‘This Council supports the petition launched by ADSO and LLG on 5 January with regard to remote and hybrid meetings. We agree to write to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities calling on the Government to change the law to allow councils the flexibility to hold such meetings when they deem appropriate within agreed rules and procedures.*

RESOLVED: That the Council support the statement for submission as detailed on the agenda. (All were in favour)

36/22 To Approve Letter to Elizabeth Truss MP regarding Improving Civility in Public Life in Councils

RESOLVED: That the Council approve the letter to be sent to Elizabeth Truss MP regarding Improve Civility in Public Life. (All were in favour).

37/22 To Approve a New Burial Fee of £20 to be Applied to any Current 10 Year EROB’s at the point of expiry requiring repurchase up to 89 years.

RESOLVED: That it be approved at the point of expiry EROB’s assigned for 10 years could be repurchased up to 89 years for a nominal fee of £1. (Cllr Christine Feltwell proposed, Cllr Chris Edwards seconded, all were in favour).

38/22 To Approve payments

Payee	Item for Payment	Net	VAT	Gross
Clerk	Wages and expenses - February	307.52	0.00	307.52

HMRC	PAYE - February	64.40	0.00	64.40
Anglian Water (Wave)	Playing Field Water	85.34	0.00	85.34
K&M Lighting	Streetlighting Maintenance - Feb 2022	59.03	11.80	70.83
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CGM	Grass Cutting - March 2022	624.10	124.82	748.92
Village Caretaker	Empty dog bin on field twice, weed path at pub, move sam2 twice	30.00	0.00	30.00
Norfolk ALC	Annual Membership 2022/23	290.08	0.00	290.08
Southery Village Hall	Hire - February	12.00	0.00	12.00
Southery Village Hall	Hire - March	12.00	0.00	12.00
BCKLWN	Dog Waste Bins	649.17	129.83	779.00
Stoke Ferry Timber	one 6x6 close board fence - playing field (paid as a health and safety matter)	45.00	9.00	54.00
	Total	2237.67	287.25	2524.92

Business Account	As at 01.03.22	25098.90
Treasury Account	As at 01.03.22	11427.03
		36525.93

RESOLVED: That payments be approved as presented. (Cllr Chris Edwards proposed, Cllr Christine Feltwell, all were in favour).

39/22 Date of next meeting – Wednesday 13 April 2022 at 7 pm in the Southery Village Hall
Noted.

Meeting Close 8.30 pm.