

GREAT MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Great Moulton Parish Council Ordinary Meeting
held in the Coronation Hall Carr Lane Great Moulton NR15 2LA
on Thursday 21st September 2023 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs C Bailey (Chair), G Timms (Vice-Chair), M Negm, S Morgan & K Bailey
Libby Alexander (Clerk)

No members of the public were in attendance

1. Apologies for absence

None.

2. To record Declarations of Interest from Council Members in any item to be discussed

None.

3. To agree and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 20 July 2023

The minutes were duly agreed and signed.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meetings on 20 July 2023

Cllr C Bailey confirmed that three teams from Great Moulton had attended the Tasburgh Village Hall Quiz Night with one team finishing second and another third.

5. Public Participation including report from the District Councillor

No public participation required.

The District Councillor, Cllr Ridley reported that the District Council was getting back into action following the elections. A full Council meeting was to be held in October and a Finance, Resource, Audit and Governance meeting was to be held the following day which he would Chair.

6. Finances

6.1 To approve the attached schedule of payments

The schedule of payments (including payments made in August) was duly approved and forms part of these minutes.

6.2 To receive an update on the banking mandate of the Council

The Clerk reported that following a telephone conversation with the Barclays Banking Mandate Team, she had a new banking mandate to be signed by Councillors which could then be returned to Barclays in order to update the banking mandate and provide access to Online Banking.

7. Planning Applications

New – 2023/2592 | Full Planning Permission - Retrospective permission for coffee shop Class E (B) use and reception/sales area associated with floricultural purposes to include parking and access drive | The Old Vineyard Overwood Lane Great Moulton Norfolk NR16

Resolved to support the application as it was a local business, however the Parish Council would prefer that planning applications were made in advance of work starting.

Determined - 2023/1167 | Change of use from agricultural land to dog walking paddock to include vehicle access and hard standing, fencing and field shelter | Willows Farm Frith Way Great Moulton NR15 2AT – Approved

Duly noted.

8. To consider any Parish Council response to the Norwich to Tilbury Pylons Project proposals

Resolved for the Parish Council to wait for the statutory consultation period, likely to be in 2024, until submitting comments.

9. Maintenance of the old telephone box

Cllr K Bailey reported that he had received two quotes from a local carpenter to repair the rotting door on the telephone box. The first quote for repairing and fitting a new glazed door was £1900. The second quote for £3500 also included a full redecoration of the phone box. Cllr C Bailey reconfirmed that the CIL Regulations stated that CIL Money could be used for assets in the village.

Cllr K Bailey proposed a full restoration of the phone box was undertaken at a cost of £3500 using CIL money to fund the project. This was seconded by Cllr Timms and all Councillors unanimously agreed.

Resolved for Cllr K Bailey to contact the carpenter to progress the project.

10. Correspondence received:

SNDC - Formal Consultation: Public Spaces Protection Order - Vehicle Related Anti-social Behaviour

- Noted, but not submitting a response due to lack of clarity.

SNDC – Mental Health support for communities

- Cllr C Bailey offered to attend a training course on 26th October and the Clerk to book a place.

Mr Rod Webster – Purchase of cutter and hedge trimmer

- Unanimously agreed to sell the cutter and hedge trimmer to Mr Rod Webster for £300 and to locate somewhere to store the Bushmower following Mr Webster's resignation as Footpath Warden.

D-Day 80 Celebrations

- Noted, but agreed not to participate.

Norfolk ALC - Coronation Living Heritage Fund for Woods and Orchards

- Noted, but no application to be made.

11. Great Moulton Times Report

Cllr C Bailey presented a report on the costs to the Council for production for the Great Moulton Times since its inception in 2021. The Council had contributed approximately £540 – approximately 7.5% of the Precept - over that period, despite the intention for the publication to be self-funding through income from local business advertisements.

Following a discussion, it was resolved for the Parish Council to step away from being involved in the production of the Great Moulton Times, as it is not possible to continue to justify the level of expenditure from the public monies (Precept). It was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council would consider any grant applications that it may receive to support the continuation of the publication. It was also unanimously agreed for the Parish Council to offer the printer to Hellen Hammond for continued production as the printer was purchased specifically for this purpose.

12. Coronation Hall

Cllr C Bailey reported that a successful Rock 'n' Roll Night was held on 8 September. The next quiz was on 7 October, which was now sold out, and the Christmas Fayre was on 2 December. The Hall had also hosted The Insanity Sportive 150mile bike race with two stops at the hall for competitors – for a snack and their lunch - with cyclists riding through the village. The event raises much needed funds for many charities, both local and national.

13. To consider appointing a new Footpath Warden

The Clerk reported that an email had been received from Mr Barry Peacock volunteering to maintain the up keep of footpaths FP13, FP14, FP15, FP18 and FP19. Following a discussion it was resolved for the Clerk to invite Mr Peacock to the next Parish Council meeting to discuss the proposal and also for the Clerk to contact Norfolk ALC for advice on the situation with respect to Insurance and Health and Safety.

14. To receive the Wildlife Wardens report

The Wildlife Warden was not in attendance and had informed the Clerk there was nothing to report.

15. To approve the date of the next ordinary Meeting of Great Moulton Parish Council and accept any items for the agenda

The next meeting date was set for Thursday 19 October 2023 at 19:00.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20:28.

SIGNED:

DATED: