



North Luffenham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council (Trust) Meeting held **on Monday 20th Jan 2020** in the North Luffenham Community Centre

- 01/20** Apologies: Cllr's Burrows, Anker, Mason and Sewell
- 02/20** Declarations of Interest: None declared
- 03/20** Minutes of PC Trust meeting held on 2nd Dec 2019 were duly approved and signed
- 04/20** Finance Report – Clerk
1. The Bank Reconciliation dated 18th December 2019 was deferred due to the absence of Cllr Mason
 2. The finance report was duly considered and approved
 3. The following payments were presented and approved
 - £121.30; Water Plus re water supply to the allotments
 - £160.47; Posts and ties for trees along Woodland Walk
 - £326.52; J Coles Nurseries Re purchase of 6 replacement trees for the Oval. (£272.10 plus vat £54.42)
- 05/20** Field Gardens Report - Cllr Cade
- a. Allotments update: 33 Invoices were sent out at the end of December with regard to allotment rental renewal. So far 19 payments have been received, with payments due by the end of January. A question from the audience asked if the allotment rentals contributed to the costs of the Oval Recreation Ground. It was confirmed that the level of allotment rents was set so that they just covered the outgoings of the allotments. There are currently 4 allotments available to rent though one is still waiting to be cleared. Cllr Mason is looking into this. Mike Wyatt suggested that if allotment holders are not attending or worked their allotments by May then they should be written to in accordance with the agreed terms and conditions. Mike to advise the Clerk who will write
 - b. Woodland Walk update: In view of the issues of starlings causing a nuisance in Ancaster Way/Kings Road it was suggested that some evergreens/laurels should be planted along the Woodland Walk to encourage them to go there. Agreed that this will be looked into.
- 06/20** Oval Report - Cllr Cade
- a. To consider the request from Western Power to re-route the HV Cable away from the main line of trees. It was noted that no further response had been received from Charles Richardson. Clerk will therefore chase so that we can revert to Western Power
 - b. Update on the Oval Trees. The three diseased trees will be felled between 19th and 21st February providing there are no nesting birds. This work has been delayed due to the ground being sodden and the potential damage that could have happened due to the weight of the contractor's equipment. 6 new trees have been planted and further

trees will be planted once the 3 trees have been felled. The plan suggested by RCC forestry officer is to replace the large trees that are felled with a group of smaller trees such as Acers which will bring a variety of leaf colours. PC to look into possible grant funding to cover the cost of the replacement trees.

07/20 Setting up of a G Suite for Trust Business. The G Suite has now been set up and is ready to use. It was agreed that the IT working group should now meet to discuss how to roll it out.

08/20 Date of next meeting: **Monday 2nd March 2020 immediately following the PC meeting**

The meeting closed at 8.35pm