**MINUTES OF NORTH LOPHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY 8th March 2023 at 7 p.m.**

**ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, NORTH LOPHAM**

1. **Minutes of the 11th January 2023 approved**

Attendance and apologies – no apologies – 3 members of the public attended

Any declarations of interest – none declared

**Matters arising from January minutes**

1. Any update re ownership and clearance of the ditch at The Meadows

No response from Norfolk County Council regarding who is ultimately responsible for clearing the ditch and keeping it clear. One of the PC will go and have a word with developer to see if he will clear the ditch before they finish the site.

1. Risk Assessment for North Lopham Cemetery –

The Clerk will draft a risk assessment for the Parish Council to approve.

1. Quote for cutting Primrose Lane

Frizzels are quoting £42.50 for 6 cuts per season – check with Frizzels that this is shared cost with SLPC.

1. Date for Village Spring Clean

15th April 2023 – Coronation Village clean up

1. Complaint raised about sewage from resident opp The Meadows

The PC had a resident raise concern about raw sewage and Environmental Health have been involved.

**Financial**

1. Approval was given for the following

Hire of church for meeting £20.00

Sundries (Lamination sheets) £ 3.98

Clerk salary (April) £192.00

HMRC £48.00

Battery and carriage for Speed sign £91.50

Contribution toward Coronation event £250.00

Contribution toward commemorative plaque re Coronation £22.50

 **Receipts**

£80.00 – A. Baker

Balance of Barclays account £5340

NS&I account £2841

1. **Planning applications**

Comments posted on 3PL/2022/0136/D and 3PL/2023/0137/D

Noted that the path is progressing to the village hall.

**Any other Business**

Reports of properties running along The Street filling the ditches with rubbish, right along the back of the Old Post Office which is likely to cause flooding problems in the future. To monitor and speak to residents if continues.

**Village sign –** Paul Wright advises that work on the plinth is worse than he had originally anticipated but work has now been completed.

**Commemorative plaque at new tree by Mere.**  Parish Council agreed to contribute to half of the cost of the plaque (the other half came from funds at the stall in Tanns Lane) £22.50 agreed.

**Coronation Day**  - NLPC will contribute £250 for the event on 6th May 2023, Member of Village hall advised that bands are booked and food and a bar will be available. Thanks was given to PC for the support for solar panels on the village hall which is progressing

**Flagpole**  is purchased and resident is finding out if planning is required for putting this by the floodlight in the church.

Next meeting 10th May 2023

Meeting closed at 19.20