

Mulbarton Parish Council

Clerk's Report

July 2023



Items not on the agenda (information only)

The Parish Council has 11 seats but currently only has 7 councillors. If you read this report, you will see there is a lot going on in Mulbarton and we need your help to achieve it. This is a volunteering role with a fantastic bunch and if you can give some of your time, are interested in the local area and want a voice, contact the clerk to find out more (see the bottom of the page for contact details).



We are meeting with Highways to discuss replacing the missing fingerposts on The Common and a volunteer has kindly offered to refurbish the fingerpost at The Common (Lower).

Highways have been contacted about the traffic issues raised at last month's meeting to find out if there is any action the Parish Council can take to address these. No response has been received yet.

The hedge at The Meadows has been cut back as raised by a resident and agreed by council at the last meeting.

The "How green is Mulbarton" event due to take place in September had been delayed until 2024.

Both the Mark Kerr and the clerk are booked onto the Update Seminar, run by Norfolk Parish Training and Support, on 16 October.

We are trying to find the owners of the bus shelter on the B1113, Norwich Road, close to The Common (Lower) and on Cuckoofield Lane, close to the junction with Lark Rise. The former is no longer used and is looking untidy.

No progress has been made on a policy/procedure to book Orchard Park, signage for Meadows Wood or covers for allotment water troughs.

Items on the agenda

Item 8.6: To agree appointment of Internal Auditor

The council appointed a new internal auditor last year, but she is not able to carry out the audit for 2023/24. Councillors will need to agree who to replace her with.

Item 11.2: To agree contractor for Village Hall entrance, across the Common car park, and to discuss how this should be funded

Potholes at the entrance to the Village Hall site, across the Common car park are frequently filled but these repairs do not last long. The Parish Council is working with South Norfolk Council for a more permanent repair. Any works are likely to result in the entrance being closed while the work goes ahead but we will aim to keep the disruption to a minimum. Once the dates have been agreed we will publish these as widely as we can.

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Item 12.2: To receive a report on injury caused by damaged slide at The Meadows

Sadly, the Parish Council received a report that a child had been injured whilst playing in The Meadows play area. We believe flints had been thrown at the slide causing the metal to splinter leaving a sharp piece pointing upwards. This then cut the child as they slid down. This incident has been reported to the police and if you have any further information, please contact them directly or the clerk. The council wish the child a speedy recover.

The slide was closed immediately, and other equipment checked for damage. The slide has been repaired and is now open again.

Item 29.1: Parish Warden

The council are looking for a part-time, self-employed, Parish Warden to help with general maintenance of the council's assets. See our website or contact the clerk for more information.



Parish Warden
Mulbarton Parish Council

**Are you self employed?
Do you have;
public liability insurance?
previous experience?
your own transport?**

We are looking for a contractor who can;

- ✓ Maintain play areas
- ✓ Carry out work on The Common
- ✓ Maintain shared allotment areas
- ✓ Maintain street furniture
- ✓ And much more!

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