

North Newnton Parish Council Meeting

Monday 13th May 2019 at 7.30 p.m.

Minutes

Present: David Brisker (DB) Chairman - Joint Vice Chair, Carolyn Whistler (CW), Tom Ellen (TE),

In attendance: Gillian Tatum (GT) Clerk, Paul Oatway Wiltshire Councillor (PO), 2 members of the public attended the meeting.

The meeting started at 7.40pm

1 **Absence apologies and Declaration of interests** Apologies were received from Kate Boulter. CW declared an interest in agenda item 4d Village Hall Finances.

2 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 11th March 2019.** The minutes were signed by the chair as a true record

3 **Adjournment. Welcome to the Public.**

Question raised re section 106 Agreement from planning development in North Newnton, covered in Item 4.

4 With the agreement of the Chair brought forward as PO had to leave for another Parish Council Meeting; **Progress Update a) Section 106.** For some time the Parish with PO help has been trying to secure the potential £19,000 allocated from the CIL (Community Interest Levy) from the housing development at North Newnton originally allocated for a play park. No land was however allocated for the play park by the developer or enforced by Wiltshire and so after consultation it was proposed that the funds could be used to help the new proposed footpath.

Q From member of Public: It's a large potential sum of money & wants best use for it. Can it still be possible to have a playpark?

Past consultation has taken place with community & unless some land becomes available difficult to see where a playpark could be located. However something to explore further with the neighbourhood plan & if the money is secured.

Action agreed: PO will meet with new Wiltshire Cabinet Member to secure agreement for the funds by the use of the Parish. Also meet with ex-Parish Councillor Mac McLean (MM) to secure past paperwork/correspondence.

PO

5 **Parish Finances**

a) Bank reconciliation was distributed for 2018/19. TE asked about Neighbourhood plan costs over £5400 (Grant) were the consultant's value for money? CW confirmed. The charity Groundwork administering the grant has allowed underspends to be carried forward. This is already in our budget for 19/20.

Bank reconciliation 19/20 April. Noted & to invoice Tilshead Parish Council for 50% cost of Clerk training.

First Qtr Income & expenditure against budget – it was noted that grass cutting has taken place at Seven Stars but apparently not yet invoiced

Action: Clerk to chase and complete simple contract

b) **Cheques to be signed** – none but see (d)

Clerk

c) **AGAR (Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2018/19)** was presented and signed by the Chair and by the Clerk to the Council.

Action: To be published on Website and guidance followed by external

Clerk

auditors.

- d) **Village Hall Finances.** CW having declared an interest as Trustee to the village hall made a request for additional financial support from the Parish Council to help with bills covering sewerage and higher than expected electricity bill due to unexpected reduced income at the Hall. It was noted that a new village hall trust is shortly to be formed and thus it was appropriate to reimburse the 2 prospective trustees who have already paid the bills from their own purse. **Action: Agreed to pay in good faith (not withstanding any prejudice to any feedback from the charities commission on any legal aspects regarding the village trust and former trustees). Cheque signed with presentation of bills. Also request for a PC representative to join as a Trustee of the Village Hall in its future constitution.** ALL

6 **Neighbourhood Plan – Update by CW**

Neighbourhood Plan display at the Annual Meeting well attended and interest expressed.

7 **Annual Parish Meeting**

Well attended with over 35 parishioners. Report written by Councillors (special thanks to KB) well received and to thanks for DB for his presentation. Thanks also to all who contributed. Parish Awards were awarded to 14 parishioners.

6 **Planning Applications**

- 19/04524/TCA – No objection, subject to the replacement with one tree within property curtilage. **Action: Clerk to complete Statutory Consultee Form** Clerk

7 **Projects Progress Updates**

- a) Section 106 – see minute 4
- b) North Newnton footpath update – **Action: To be reviewed following the departure of Councillor MM.** ALL
- c) Bench – TE presented costings. **Agreed: To go ahead looking at final cost for an Oak bench. KB nominated to talk to land owner Aster Housing Trust. It was also suggested that the Parish would like to put a memorial plaque on the bench to commemorate the life of Roy Rumming** TE/KB
- d) Bus Shelter & phone box glass replacement – all repaired, particular thanks to DB and David Benson.
- e) SID £500 paid for our contribution for a new SID with our fellow Parish Councils. **Agreed : DB to be our new SID representative** DB
- f) Speedwatch – As reported at the Annual Meeting, progressing well, new volunteers to be trained.
- g) Parish Steward – As reported at the Annual Parish Meeting, detailed work being undertaken 1 morning every month. **To note any parishioners requests for work please contact Parish Clerk at clerk@nnp.org.uk or call her 07979866387. Notice will also be posted on website.** Clerk
- h) **Additional litter bins – to be discussed at next meeting**

- 8 Standing Orders – in view of changes to the Board it was agreed to postpone the review of the standing orders. **Action: Clerk to revisit the orders for discussion at the next meeting** Clerk

9 **Area Meetings Representation:**

Area Board – TE 20/05 TE

PCAP – CW will continue as Volunteer for the PC next 18/07

CW

CATG – CW member & will continue until alternative councillor in a position to champion the North Newnton Footpath

CW

Defibulator – CW to continue for Hilcott, TE for North Newnton

CW/TE

10 **Recruitment of new Councillors**

It was noted that the resignation of Councillor Mac McLean had been received on 6th May 2019 due to a change in work commitments. Special thanks were made for his service and commitment made to the Parish Council.

Carolyn Whistler offered her resignation at the meeting, expressing her wish to now retire after long service to the Parish Council. She is going to continue other voluntary work and indeed still support the PC where she can. A vote of thanks was made to Carolyn and the presentation of a small gift to represent our appreciation for her never failing commitment and long service to the Parish Council.

2 members of the public attending the meeting expressed their interest and desire to join the Council. **Action: Notice to be made of the vacancies for members and in due course the holding of an extraordinary meeting to co-opt any new members as appropriate.**

Clerk

11 Future agenda Items identified

a) Standing Orders

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Future Parish Council meetings 2018

Monday 1st July 7.30pm (Chair TE)

Community BBQ 13th July

Monday 9th September 7.30pm (Chair KB)

Monday 4th November 7.30pm (Chair DB)

Monday 6th January 2020 7.30pm (Chair TE)

Gillian Tatum Clerk to NNPC

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