

**Minutes of Nether Wallop Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30 pm  
on Monday 9 July 2018 in the Village Hall**

- 4202 Attendance:** Cllrs Carpenter, Cotterell and Souter, TVBC Cllr Boulton and the Parish Clerk. There was one member of the public.
- 4203 Apologies:** Cllrs Addison, Mrs James, James and HCC Cllr Gibson,
- 4204 Declaration of councillors' pecuniary interests:** All councillors had no changes to declare.
- 4205 Planning applications:** Cllr Souter reported on the following.
- a) 18/01694/FULLN Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 bedroom detached dwelling, The Stables, Salisbury Road, Lopcombe. The plans were presented and a discussion ensued. Councillors agreed no comment.
  - b) 18/01670/FULLN Erection of dwelling and installation of package treatment plant, Land adjacent Staplewood House, Farley Street. No paperwork for this had been received but Cllr Cotterell found plans online. Councillors agreed no comment.
- 4206 Points from the floor:** TVBC Cllr Boulton commented on the previous application and said it was probably straight forward if the established use totalled ten years.
- 4207 Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of 18 June 2018 were approved by the council and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.
- 4208 Councillors Reports:**
- a) **Neighbourhood Watch:** Mrs Foster had nothing to report.
  - b) **Finance:** The Chairman, standing in for the RFO reported on the attached financial statement for last month. He requested approval of the payments proposed by Cllr Cotterell and seconded by Cllr Carpenter with all in favour. Cllr Carpenter questioned the hire charge for the film night which was £40 + VAT and the Chairman replied it was part of the agreement. The TENS licences were discussed and it was agreed that an annual fee could be considered and would possibly form part of the review of the hall operation being carried out by Cllr Mrs James. If this option was taken up Cllr Souter pointed out it would require a committee. It was resolved by the council in accordance with its powers under Sections 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972 that it should incur the following expenditure (£30) for a prize for Test Valley School. The schedule of income received for the month as well as the figures making up the bank balance was also read. The bank reconciliation was signed off by Cllr Souter. He had been to see National Westminster Bank who were apologetic about its poor communication/delivery of bank statements over the last three months. However he intended to explore other banking opportunities. He further reported that the Clerk had posted notices and put on the website confirming that the end of year accounts were open to inspection for residents between 2 July – 10 August 2018.
  - d) **Highways:** There was nothing to report.
  - e) **Playing Fields:** Cllr Carpenter had a thorough read of the report by RoSPA. The wooden equipment needed refurbishment. He would contact HAGS which specialises in play equipment maintenance for a quote and then follow this up with quotes from two other firms. Cllr Cotterell suggested that the report also go on the website and any interested companies invited to tender and contact Cllr Carpenter (**Action: Parish Clerk**). The Wallop football team have cancelled due to a membership decline. However, there is interest for next year from other teams. Cllr Souter has contacted the mobile mast company but they have not got back to him as yet.
- 4209 Village Green:** Cllr Carpenter reported on a busy time with the Village Market coming up. Cllr Souter reported that he has got a team together to provide refreshments on the Green for 22 July Andover Cycle Ride.
- 4210 Village Hall:** Cllr Souter reported that the door at the back has shrunk again, possibly due to the hot weather. The recent movie night was well attended. The hall will open this coming Wednesday to screen the World Cup Football semi finals. After discussion this will be free of charge for all attendees with donations welcome. It has been advertised. He

proposed that a policy be adopted that when an event is for the benefit of the community it be free of charge with donations. This was seconded by Cllr Carpenter with all in favour. Cllr Carpenter enquired about the Village Hall AGM on 16 July. Cllr Souter said that this would be a meeting in public. This would be advertised on the website (**Action: Parish Clerk**).

- 4211 Matters raised by councillors:** The Footpaths Officer's recent Rights of Way report would be published on the website (**Action: Parish Clerk**). Cllr Cotterell had explored with TVBC whether planning would be required for advertisements in the Jacks Bush bus shelter. This could help local business. However he felt it was not the right environment at the moment and that it required attention as well as the verge which needed to be cleared. He asked whether in the light of the national news about Amesbury it would be helpful to liaise with other parishes. The Chairman replied that if the police have certain information they may not wish to divulge it and that any news dissemination would probably be adequately forwarded by the borough council. TVBC Cllr Boulton reiterated this and said that parishioners should be wary of fly tipping and to report any sightings to TVBC immediately. Cllr Souter said there is periodically correspondence received from other boroughs but it is usually of limited interest. Cllr Cotterell questioned the comparison of the electricity used in the old hall with that in the new hall. This is unknown but the old hall was inefficient and its heaters were expensive. Cllr Souter reported that the recent bill was estimated and higher than usual. Cllr Cotterell enquired whether the budget is looked at from time to time. Cllr Souter replied that figures are circulated each month with the financial report. Mrs Foster on behalf of GFC Ltd would send in a report every month.
- 4212 Points from the floor:** Mrs Foster enquired whether the Cubs should apply for permission if they wished to use it to collect bottles for a stall on the village green. Cllr Souter replied that if they wished to use electricity they should apply to Mr Blandford. TVBC Cllr Boulton reported that the present Mayor of the Test Valley, a former Leader of the Council for many years had received a MBE. He recommended that the council invite him to any suitable occasions to be held in the village.
- 4213 Date of next meeting:** The next monthly meeting will be held on Monday 10 September 2018 in the village hall at 7.30pm. There would be no August meeting. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50 pm.