

Minutes of Nether Wallop Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30 pm

on Monday 08 July 2019 in the Village Hall

- 4448 Attendance:** Cllrs Souter, Carpenter, Cotterell, and the Parish Clerk. There was 1 member of the public. HCC A Gibson and TVBC Cllr I Jeffrey were present for part of the meeting.
- 4449 Welcome and introduction:** Cllr Souter welcomed those present.
- 4450 Apologies:** Cllrs James & Addison.
- 4451 Declaration of councillors' pecuniary interests:** None.
- 4452** HCC Cllr A Gibson gave a short report. Roy Perry has stepped down as leader of Hampshire County Council and is replaced by Keith Mans. Residents in Palestine have been complaining about the aircraft noise at night from Middle Wallop. HCC have declared a Climate Emergency and pledged to become carbon neutral by 2030. Concerns were being raised regarding affordable housing and TVBC increasing the amount of houses versus Aster Living continuing to sell off houses. Pot holes were still a huge problem and it had been observed that some were identified for repair but work had not been carried out after months. Everyone should continue to report potholes on the website.
- 4453** Cllr Jeffrey had circulated the monthly newsletter MidTest Matters which is available on the website. It had useful information relating to free children's activities during the holidays.
- 4454** Cllr Gibson left the meeting at 8.00pm
- 4455 Planning applications:** The chairman reported on the following and the meeting resolved the following decisions:
- 19/01465/FULLN - Forget Me Not Cottage, School Lane** – unanimous objection on the grounds of over development, overlooking, noise and loss of light.
- 19/01411/TREEN - West Laithe, Five Bells Lane** - no comment
- 19/01309/LBWN - 2 Sunnyside Cottages, Five bells lane** – no objection
- Action:** Clerk to update TVBC website with comments.
- 4456 Points from the floor:** None.
- 4457** Cllr Jeffrey left the meeting at 8.15pm
- 4458 To approve the Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of 10 June 2019 were approved by the council. **Proposed:** Cllr Carpenter **Seconded:** Cllr Cotterell. **Resolved:** Unanimously to approve the minutes and the Chairman signed as a true and accurate record.
- 4459** To review the Action list from the prior month: The only actions still pending are completion of the remedial work to the Playground apparatus, NDP Steering Committee names to be circulated, and ordering of the Oak Notice board.

4460 To approve the Co-option of a Councillor in a vacancy left after election. **Proposed:** Cllr Souter
Seconded: Cllr Carpenter. **Resolved:** Unanimously to co-opt Mrs Sarah Whitaker to the Parish Council.
Cllr Whitaker duly signed the acceptance of office in the presence of the Proper Officer.

4461 To receive Financial reports. Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated the Bank reconciliation, the Budget report and a schedule of payments that had been set up for July 10th payment.

Moviola Ltd	May Film costs	£ 74.00
Moviola Ltd	June Film costs	£ 110.75
Anthony Whitaker	Booking Managing Fee	£ 210.00
Clerk	Salary + Allowance + Expenses	£ 541.50
R Osmond & Son	Marquee Storage	£ 648.00
Sparkles	Cleaning for June	£ 106.75
Total		£1,691.00

Proposed: Cllr Cotterell, **Seconded:** Cllr Carpenter, **Resolved:** Unanimously that the payments be made. The online payments would be authorised by 2 Councillors.

4462 The bank reconciliation was agreed Cllr Souter. The latest bill from SSE would be downloaded. **Action: Clerk.**

4463 A schedule of regular payments would be drawn up for the next meeting. The list would be considered for prior approval so that specific payments could be made in between council meetings. **Action: Clerk.**

4464 The budget report was noted and would be explained in greater detail at the September meeting.

4465 Highways: Cllr Cotterell reported on last Hampshire Road Safety meeting on 21st June. It had been heard that school crossing patrol vacancies were not being filled leaving children at risk throughout the County. Speeding was still a main issue in rural communities due to individuals not respecting 30mph limits. The police had introduced roadside Eyesight tests and had been reminding hayfever sufferers using anti-histamines to not drive as the medication causes drowsiness.

4466 Seatbelt usage had also been a focus for the Police. Hampshire Biker Down had run some workshops to educate the public on what to do if you come across a Motorcycle accident. It was noted that HCC had put out road signs to close part of Farley Street to perform routine maintenance, but this had not taken place and the signs were still on the road.

4467 There are still issues with drivers passing through Jacks Bush overtaking on double white lines.

4468 Playing Fields: A team had shown interest in using the Football pitch and booked some friendly games for July and August evenings.

4469 The site of the bonfire last year is now covered in weeds and thistles. The contractor responsible for mowing the recreation ground had expressed concern about metal and nails being present and would not cut the area.

4470 The contractor who had refurbished the playground equipment was progressing with the remedial work which it was hoped would be completed before the summer holidays began. **Action: Cllr Carpenter.**

- 4471** The bark had been ordered and the delivery would be made on Tuesday 9th July. Help would be needed to level out the bark. **Action: All Councillors.**
- 4472 Village Green:** The Village Green Working Group and requested a breakdown of costs. The Clerk would discuss with the secretary and prepare a report.
- 4473** The Parish Council noted with thanks how much hard work had been done by the volunteers of the Village Green team and how inviting the Green was looking. Many families enjoy the space and children particularly love being able to play in the Wallop Brook in the hot weather.
- 4474 Village Hall:** The toilet needed an urgent repair which had been arranged to be carried out the next day. Hall hirers were increasingly requesting the use of the garden at the back and it was felt that the maintenance of the garden should not be left to volunteers.
- 4475** The Outdoor noticeboard had not been ordered due to a query relating to the materials used. Another quotation had been received, but this was felt to be too expensive. The resolution from the previous month would be actioned.
- 4476** A quotation for an oak sign 34” wide by 5” high reading “NETHER WALLOP VILLAGE HALL” had been obtained from a local supplier. Consideration of the cost would be tabled for the next meeting.
- 4477 Wallops Parish Hall:** The Chairman reported on the meeting of the 18th June. It had been felt that a few fresh members of the WPH Committee had helped to resolve some of the issues. The Joint Committee had agreed to the proposed amended constitution, which had been sent to both Parish Councils to ratify at their next meetings. Over Wallop Parish Council had not agreed the constitution at their meeting on 4th July and Nether Wallop Councillors therefore considered it pointless to review and agreed to continue with the previously agreed existing constitution.
- 4478 Footpaths:** The Footpaths officer had distributed a report prior to the meeting and it was available on the website.
- 4479 Neighbourhood Development Plan:** In the absence of Cllr Addison it was reported that various working groups had begun meeting and were progressing. An update would be provided at the meeting in September.
- 4480 To note Correspondence received:** The Clerk had been contacted by a resident concerned that vehicles parking in the slip road outside Fifehead Manor were obstructing the view of the A343 for drivers emerging from the Fifehead Manor turning. TVBC Highways would be contacted. **Action: Clerk.**
- 4481 To approve and sign the Wallops Parish Hall Licence Agreement:** The Chairman summarised the agreement that had been approved at the 18th June WPH committee meeting. **Proposed:** Cllr Cotterell, **Seconded:** Cllr Carpenter, **Resolved:** Unanimously that the licence would be approved and Cllr Cotterell signed the licence in the presence of the Clerk.

- 4482 To decide on a proposal to employ someone to maintain the Village Hall garden: Proposed:** Cllr Souter, **Seconded:** Cllr Cotterell, **Resolved:** Unanimously that an advert be placed in the parish magazine and on the PC website.,. **Action:** Clerk.
- 4483 To decide on a response to the proposal to transfer the cost of the Lengthsman to Parish councils:** Councillors discussed the consultation that HCC have initiated but not advertised widely. Information had not been sent to Parish Councils for review but was open to the public to comment.. Cllr Cotterell would forward the link and it would be distributed via the Pump email. **Proposed:** Cllr Souter, **Seconded:** Cllr Cotterell, **Resolved:** To reject the proposal as it would increase the financial burden on Parish Councils and result in the precept being raised to cover the work. **Action:** All councillors to respond.
- 4484 To decide on a response to the letter before action received from Monopole.: Proposed:** Cllr Cotterell, **Seconded:** Cllr Souter, **Resolved:** Chairman and Clerk draft a letter of response continuing to reject the Telephone Mast proposal. **Action:** Clerk and Cllr Souter.
- 4485 Matters raised by Councillors:**
- 4486** Cllr Cotterell would no longer be attending the Road safety for Hampshire meetings.
- 4487** Cllr Souter advised that the Telephone contract with BT had expired. Different packages would be investigated. **Action:** Clerk and Chairman.
- 4488 Clerk's report:** The new accounting system had been installed and updated. The Clerk was happy to report that time was already being saved and the 1st quarter VAT return was ready for submission to HMRC.
- 4489 Points from the floor:** none.
- 4490** The next meeting will be held on Monday 9th September 2019 in the village hall at 7.30pm.
- 4491** The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.45pm.

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PRIOR TO BEING APPROVED AT THE NEXT PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**