



NRS&NMHPC

Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish Council

Three villages, one community

No. 232

Tuesday 22nd May 2018
Village Hall, Newton Regis

Present: Cllr. D. Waithman (DW) (Chairman)
Cllr. G. Hunt (GH) (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. S. Wilson (SW)
Cllr. D. Cox (DC)
Cllr. M. Ruston (MR)
Cllr. R. Thirlby (RT)
Mrs N. Allton (Clerk) (NA)

4 x Parishioner

The meeting commenced at 7:35pm

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| 1. Apologies for Absence: None
Not Present: , County Cllr. D Parsons (DP), Borough Cllr. D. Humphries (DH), Borough Cllr. P. Davey (PD), Police | |
| 2. Police Items – None. It is appreciated that the police have to attend in their own time. The police do run a drop-in session from time to time in the Village Hall Carpark. | |
| 3. Open Forum- <i>Parishioners of Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish are invited to address the council on any relevant matter for a maximum of three minutes per person.</i> – Covered during the Annual Parish Meeting. | |
| 4. Declarations of interest – None | |
| 5. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting – 10th April 2018 – signed. | |
| 6. Matters Arising:- | |
| i) Playground – this has been re-opened. | |
| ii) Bouncy Castles – the Parish Council has received requests from field hirers to use bouncy castles. These are always refused, since the Parish Council could become liable if an accident occurred. | |
| iii) Christmas Tree Lights- DW has contacted Rev. Banks. No response as yet. SW and GH to check the lights and take down as required. DC to contact Rev. Banks about the date change for the switch on. | DW, SW,
GH, DC |
| iv) Duckpond railings - SW to speak to Thorpe agent about the duck pond railings before the Open Gardens in June. | SW |
| v) Grass around village gateways – Councillors to keep grass cut around the bottom of the signs. | All |
| vi) Newton Regis Flower Tubs – DC will purchase some plants. GH to ask Derek if he would like to look after the tub. Thanks to Alan Webb for looking after 2 tubs. DC to get plants for Lime Grove, duck pond and Village Hall tubs. | DC, GH |
| vii) Grass verges in Seckington – DW to ask Jane Pritchard if Church Lane verges can be trimmed. DW to find out when Church Lane will be re-surfaced. | DW |
| viii) Litter bin at duck pond – DC to contact Mark Kennell about replacement. | DC |
| 7. Planning matters: proposed development sites, recent decisions. | |
| a) Applications: | |
| i) PAP/20108/0200 – Queen's Head pub – works to trees in conservation area. – unanimously supported. | |
| ii) PAP/2018/0314 – Newton Farm, Main Rd – erection of 1 dwelling. – unanimously objected to. This site has twice had an appeal rejected. The same restrictions still apply, as the site is outside of the village boundary. | |
| b) Determined: | |
| i) PAP/2017/0261 – Listed building consent for refurbishment at Newton House, Newton Regis | |
| c) Amendments/Re-consultation/Appeals: None | |

DRAFT ONLY – NOT YET APPROVED

8. Financial matters: bank balances, cheques for signature, cheques raised since last meeting & expected bills.

○ General Account	£390.12
○ Playing Field Account	£207.74
○ Deposit Account	£6,182.87
○ Reserve Account	£5,505.72
	£12,286.45
❖ <u>Cheques for Signature:</u>	
○ 22.5.18 JMG Amenity Ltd – Weed spraying	£504.00
○ 22.5.18 BHIB Ltd – Parish Council Annual Insurance	£911.43
○ 22.5.18 Newton Regis Village Hall – Room Hire	£24.00
○ 22.5.18 N Allton – Stamps and envelopes	£8.46
○ 22.5.18 Anita Allsopp – Internal Audit	£120.00
○ 22.5.18 North Warwickshire Area Committee – Annual Subs	£10.00
○ 22.5.18 M Draper – Mower Petrol & Field Maintenance May18	£137.90
❖ <u>Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:</u>	
○ 2.5.18 NWBC – Litter Bin Charges 18/19	£158.81
○ 30.4.18 31.3.18 Clerk's Salary April 18	£176.78
❖ <u>Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting</u>	
○ Interest May	£0.43
○ NWBC – Precept	£5,050.00

9. Parish Council Annual Insurance - This is no longer offered by Aon. BHIB Ltd have taken over their business. Last year's premium was £1027.89. This year it is £911.43 to renew. All agreed. Cover is equal to previous policy.

10. Clerk's Annual Payrise – All agreed to raise Clerk's wage to £10.301 per hour plus an additional 1%. Clerk is contracted for 4 hours per week. Mandate signed to vary standing order.

11. GDPR – Privacy Notices placed on website and notice boards. Steps taken to secure all data and comply with GDPR.

i) Councillor Privacy Notices – Clerk issued individual notices to councillors, detailing their responsibilities to protect parishioners data. All agreed and signed.

12. Playing Field

i) Jet washing playground matting – all agreed DW should purchase a jet washer for use by the Parish Council to clean the play area. **DW**

ii) Play Equipment – a number of options were discussed. The cheapest option of a single toddler swing being £2,777 it was agreed that new equipment was currently outside the Parish Council's budget.

iii) Roller – this has been damaged by vandals. The gear mechanism needs to be inspected.

iv) Tractor – A brake light that is permanently on and needs repairing.

13. No Man's Heath Defibrillator – this has now been mounted on the wall. Awaiting electrician to connect the supply to heat the box. The Parish Council will take responsibility for the maintenance of this defibrillator. Clerk has agreed with Shuttington Parish Council that residents will be advised when training is available at the Samuel Barlow at Alvecote. Clerk to check status of Newton Regis defibrillator batteries. **Clerk**

14. Dog Fouling in Newton Regis – GH has distributed leaflets to all residents in Newton Regis. It is still continuing on some pathways and on the track alongside the Village Hall. GH to investigate the legality of the use of CCTV within the village to identify those that allow their dogs to foul the pavements. **GH**

15. Feed back from Clerk – Conduct/Standards training at NWBC. This was a useful session and helped to clarify when a Councillor may have an interest in an agenda item. Clerk to book GH and RT onto next induction sessions. **Clerk**

16. Correspondence

- ❖ NW BC – Notice of submission of a Development Plan Document
- ❖ Craig Tracey MP – Neighbourhood Planning
- ❖ Craig Tracey MP – Consultation dealing with unauthorised development and encampments

17. Business, which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered as a matter of urgency under section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

i) Fire Service - DW reported that call outs to fires have been reduced and Fire Officers are being used for other community work, such as transporting patients home from hospitals. They are also available to inspect premises for fire safety and provide advice on alarms.

ii) Utility Switching - There is an information poster on the noticeboards with advice on switching electricity and gas suppliers to save money.

iii) Simon Colclough – Thanks to Simon for raising money towards a flag pole outside the church.

18. Confirmation Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 3rd July 2018 at 7.30pm at No Man's Heath Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 21:38.

Chairman
Cllr D Waithman

Date