



NRS&NMHPC

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

Three villages, one community

No. 233

Tuesday 3rd July 2018
Village Hall, No Man's Heath

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. Thirby (RT)
Mrs N. Allton (Clerk) (NA)

2 x Parishioner

The meeting commenced at 7:30pm

Action

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Borough Cllr. D. Humphries (DH)
Not Present:, County Cllr. D Parsons (DP), Borough Cllr. P. Davey (PD), Police
2. **Police Items – None.**
3. **Open Forum- *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) Bus service – It's very unlikely that the bus service through No Man's Heath will be improved in the near future.
 - ii) Toddler swing at Newton Regis playground – not financially viable.
 - iii) Speed bumps through Newton Regis – these were considered before, but it was decided to install the village gateways as they were more environmentally friendly. WCC are not installing any further flashing speed aware signs.
4. **Declarations of interest – None**
5. **Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting – 22nd May 2018 – signed.**
6. **Matters Arising:-**
 - i) **Christmas Tree Lights** - Switch on confirmed for 9 December 2018. Lights need to be checked and re-positioned.
 - ii) **Bouncy Castles** – not allowed on the playing field for good reason, as shown by the tragic death of another child last week.
 - iii) **Duckpond railings** – replacement railings are being made.
 - iv) **Church Lane, Seckington** – verges will be trimmed. Re-surfacing is in the WCC 5 year plan.
 - v) **Litter Bins** – Mark Kennell will be checking and replacing litter bins around the borough as needed.
 - vi) **Jet Washer** – has been purchased and the matting cleaned.
 - vii) **Roller** – Still requires repair.
 - viii) **Tractor brake light** – Removed but still requires repair.
7. **Planning matters: proposed development sites, recent decisions.**
 - a) **Applications:**
 - i) **None.**
 - b) **Determined:**
 - i) **PAP/2018/0142** – Newton Grange, extension and garage – granted.
 - ii) **PAP/2018/144** – Kings Gambit, dormer extension – granted.
 - iii) **PAP/2018/200** – Queens Head, works to trees in conservation area – granted.
 - c) **Amendments/Re-consultation/Appeals: None**
8. **Financial matters: bank balances, cheques for signature, cheques raised since last meeting & expected bills.**

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| ○ General Account | £377.62 |
| ○ Playing Field Account | £465.83 |
| ○ Deposit Account | £5,682.87 |

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| ○ Reserve Account | | £5,505.72 |
| | £12,032.10 | |
| ❖ <u>Cheques for Signature:</u> | | |
| ○ 3.7.18 A Passey – Playground Maintenance | | £150.00 |
| ○ 3.7.18 Cllr. D. Waithman – Pressure Washer & Petrol | | £246.42 |
| ○ 3.7.18 M. Draper – Field Maintenance Jun&Jul & Mower petrol | | £265.99 |
| ○ 3.7.18 Cllr. D. Waithman – strimmer line | | £5.50 |
| ○ 3.7.18 Sure-Track Europe Ltd – ongoing costs | | £144.00 |
| ○ 3.7.18 N Allton – Printer Ink and Paper | | £19.00 |
| ○ 3.7.18 NMH Village Hall – Room Hire | | £15.00 |
| ○ 3.7.18 Cllr. D Cox – plants for tubs | | £15.61 |
| ❖ <u>Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:</u> | | |
| ○ 31.5.18 N Allton – Clerk’s Salary May 18 | | £176.78 |
| ○ 7.6.18 WALC – Training for RT & GH | | £60.00 |
| ○ 8.6.18 Hillview Garden Stores – Flower tub compost | | £45.00 |
| ○ 30.6.18 N Allton – Clerk’s Salary June 18 | | £181.05 |
| ❖ <u>Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting</u> | | |
| ○ 30.5.18 Playing Field Rent – NR Tennis Club | | £60.00 |
| ○ 30.5.18 Playing Field Rent – NR Village Hall | | £60.00 |
| ○ 30.5.18 Playing Field Rent – Thistle Bowls Club | | £60.00 |
| ○ 30.5.18 Playing Field Rent & Maintenance– NR Junior Cricket Club | | £370.00 |
| ○ 30.5.18 Playing Field Rent & Maintenance – Tamworth Cricket Club | | £520.00 |

i) Internal Auditor – all agreed that the Parish Council would continue to use Anita Allsopp as internal auditor as she does a thorough audit in line with new guidelines.

ii) Insurance – Policy details updated with BHIB.

9. Purchase of corn for the ducks – the ducks have left the pond due to SW no longer having access to corn. RT to supply corn to attract them back.

10. Playing Field

i) Playground Inspections – new insurance company requires regular inspections. DW issued new sheets for completion.

ii) Voucher for Adie – all agreed a £50 meal voucher was appropriate as Adie has mowed the cricket field at no charge.

11. Smartwater – this is sold to residents by the Neighbourhood Watch Team. DW awaiting a response to his enquiry whether the Parish Council can buy some from the NHW. **DW**

12. Beeline – voluntary service that takes people to hospital and doctors appointments. Looking for funding. DW to look into what the service can offer our parish. **DW**

13. Dog Warden – this has post has been disbanded. Streetscape at NWBC have taken over responsibility for signs and picking up strays.

14. Defibrillator NMH – this has been installed and activated. Training taking place on 5 July. To access the cabinet in an emergency, call 999 for the code.

15. Lay-by B5493 – following the last meeting on 22/5/18 where Ms Mutch informed the council that WCC were definitely closing the lay-by, WCC received objections to the closure. WCC have now cancelled the work to close the lay-by. DW to contact the Parish Champion at WCC to find out why there was no liaison between the County Council and the Parish Council on the issue and no consultation before cancelling the closure. **DW**

16. Correspondence

❖ **Ron Smith & Co. – GDPR Advice**

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) Information Commissioners Office – Clerk to check if the Parish Council needs to re-register before current registration is due for renewal. **Clerk**

ii) M42 J11 industrial development – Mr Snelson (resident), a former traffic engineer has provided comments to the Parish Council regarding this development. He suggests that the projected number of job opportunities of 3,000 appears highly inflated for a primarily distribution site. If they are hoping to employ 3,000 how will they travel to the site as there is no public transport? Where will they park? Will public transport links be enhanced? He also spoke of where car journeys are likely to come from and to, and the proposed access. No Man’s Heath is likely to be affected by traffic coming from Tamworth and other areas to the south of the development. There will be increases in air and noise pollution. The development company are holding public presentations next week. No application has been made yet. The Parish Council will object when it is.

iii) DW to make contact with Cllr. Steve Leary at Measham and liaise with them regarding the above development. **DW**

DRAFT ONLY – NOT YET AGREED

18. Confirmation Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 7th August 2018 at 7.30pm at Seckington Church.

The meeting closed at 20:58.

Chairman
Cllr D Waithman

Date