



NRS&NMHPC

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

Three villages, one community

No. 253

Tuesday 4 May 2021
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Present:

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

Mrs Bramble, Mr Snelson (PS)

The meeting commenced at 7:24pm

1. Virtual Meeting Protocol

Participants were advised of the Virtual Meeting Protocol.

Action

2. Apologies for Absence:, Borough Cllr. M. Humphries (MH)

Not Present: County Cllr. D. Parsons (DP), Police.

3. Police Items - DC to enquire whether hi-vis waistcoats needed to have Community Speedwatch printed on the back. Speed Awareness training is scheduled for 5/7/21 for two people to participate. Clerk to contact PCC Clerk for funding for a speed gun. Simon Ackroyd is the police contact.

4. 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.*

PS met with Mercia Park regarding landscaping. The current building is 16m high and the building under construction will be 22m high. After 25 years the current landscaping will still reveal half of the building. Highways were asked if they would plant screening on the verge. They confirmed that they will not plant any trees unless IM maintain them. IM would not commit to this. The landowner on the other side of the fence will not allow trees to be planted there.

5. Declarations of interest – None

6. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meetings – 2 March 2021 – agreed and will be signed at the first opportunity.

7. Matters Arising:-

i) Damage to Pavement in Townsend Close - Coned off before Christmas. DW contacted Highways. who DW replied that the cones and tape did not have anything to do with them.- Ongoing

ii) Proposed Code of Conduct - WALC advise to wait until Principal Authority have adopted the Code. - Ongoing.

iii) Railings at Old Post Office - no yet painted. GH and DC will paint.

iv) Clerk to apply to Mercia Fund to replace the defibrillator.

v) Cricket Nets - Ongoing.

vi) RT doesn't have suitable material to fill carpark potholes. Explore alternative options.

vii) Duckpond - RT to rod drain. Grid replacement - ongoing. RT has a field that can be used in August to dump the silt once the duckpond has been emptied.

viii) Duck House - GH and SW to arrange for duck house to be installed asap due to heron sighting.

ix) Salt Street - DH reported that police are monitoring 4x4 traffic. Residents are urged to report vehicles not displaying a legal number plate. The Leicestershire section is a restricted by-way that needs enforcing.

GH /DC
Clerk

GH /SW

8. Planning matters: proposed development sites, recent decisions.

a) Applications:

i) **PAP/2021/0163** - Manor Farm - Approval of reserved matters. - Object - lack of privacy and proximity to listed building.

ii) **PAP/2021/0179** - Manor Farm - listed consent and modifications to garden, wall, garage. - no objections.

b) **Determined:** None

c) **Amendments/Re-consultation/Appeals:** None

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

○ General Account	£289.71
○ Playing Field Account	£322.87
○ Deposit Account	£8,448.15
○ Reserve Account	£6,012.60

Total

£15,073.33

Allocated to projects £1,915.00

<u>Cheques for Signature after the meeting:</u>		
4.5.21	C. Vincent - goal parts (#516)	£25.20
4.5.21	A. Allsop - Internal Audit (#1188)	£120.00
4.5.21	N. Allton - Zoom subs, stamps, stationary (#1189)	£49.29
<u>Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:</u>		
26.3.21	WALC - Annual Subscription (#1183)	£236.00
26.3.21	Midlands Electrical Specialists Ltd - Re-site defibrillator cabinet (#1184)	£394.52
26.3.21	JMG Amenity Ltd - Moss treatment to cricket pitch (#510)	£450.00
26.3.21	Thorpe Estate - Field Rent (#511)	£300.00
26.3.21	M Draper - Mole spray and petrol (#512)	£15.58
31.3.21	N Allton - Salaries March 21(SO)	£189.63
13.4.21	E.ON - Unmetered Supply (#1185)	£54.81
13.4.21	Appleby Magna Cricket Club - Mower (#513)	£200.00
28.4.21	Hi-Lite Electrical Ltd - Supply and install lantern (#1186)	£300.00
28.4.21	P Hopkins - Re-painting telephone box (#1187)	£350.00
28.4.21	Premier Play Solutions Ltd - Play Equipment (#514)	£5,202.00
30.4.21	N Allton - Salaries April 21(SO)	£189.63
<u>Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting</u>		
31.3.21	HMRC - VAT	£164.51
10.4.21	Newton Regis Tennis Club - Playing Field Rent	£60.00
10.4.21	Newton Regis Village Hall - Playing Field Rent	£60.00
23.4.21	NWBC - Precept	£5,450.00
30.4.21	Thistle Bowling Club - Playing Field Rent	£60.00
	Interest - March and April 21	£0.27

i) BHIB Insurance Renewal

All agreed to renew with BHIB.

10. Playing Field

- i) Clerk to contact NWBC to enquire about a standard Council black bin and the cost of emptying it. Clerk
- ii) Residents have complained about the crow scarers between Newton Gorse and the M42. SW to enquire with Mr Daw the farmer to find out if scarers are seasonal. SW

11. May Tree

Arborcare have inspected the may tree in front of the church and recommend removing half of the tree to prolong it's life due to sections becoming rotten. A decision has to be taken whether to undertake works or remove the tree and plant a replacement. It was planted by Mrs Ing in the 1930s and is an important feature of the village of Newton Regis.

DW to place an article in the Village Voice to ask for comments. Clerk to post on Facebook. DW / Clerk

GH noted that a tree was removed from St. Mary's Grove two years ago. Contact Mike Newnham at Highways to enquire if a replacement will be planted. GH

12. Bus Shelter

Bottom edge is rotten. DC has organised a quote for repair and replace timbers. Approx. £530.

13. Planters

The planters outside the Village Hall look to be in bad repair. If replaced, Mrs Oxford will take over the planting. DW
DW to look at planters.

14. Litter Pick

Many thanks to the residents that are regularly litter picking around the area. Clerk to thank residents on Facebook. DC to arrange a new date for litter pick and liaise with MK for pickup. Clerk
DC

15. Mercia Park

Funding - GH has contacted the Tennis Club to advise them that they can apply for funding towards nets and fencing. DW also contacted the Bowls Club. Clerk to apply for funding for a replacement defibrillator. An extension to the storage shed is needed. Repairs to the pond wall are needed. PS said that no £10k grants are likely to be agreed.

16. Correspondence

None

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.

None

18. Confirmation Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 29 June 2021 at 7.30pm. Venue to be advised.

The meeting closed at 20.45

Chairman
Cllr D Waithman
Date