

NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 5 JUNE 2017 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

Present: Mr G Sparks, Mr F Meadows and Dr J Butterley. Also present were Mr J Frost Parish Footpaths Liaison Officer, Mr Roger Habgood (Borough Councillor) and 3 members of the public.

Apologies were received from Mr Mervyn Hooper and Mrs Amanda Harcombe.

17/065 There were no Declarations of Interest.

17/066 The Minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

17/067 There were no Matters Arising.

17/068 Community Public Access Defibrillator

- (i) The Clerk reported on progress with the Grant Funding Application to The Big Lottery Fund. The Community Heartbeat Trust which is a charity, will guide and support the Council through the process. The Trust has recommended the possibility of applying for three Defibrillators to cover the Parish and the Council members requested that the Clerk ascertain the ongoing costs to the Council for maintenance.

17/069 Police Report.

- (i) The Clerk had received a report from PCSO Sharon Baker which she read out. There had been 19 calls within our beat area mostly concerning the theft of scrap items from Poole recycling Centre. Reports of rural crime had again been noted chiefly concerning commercial rather than residential premises.

17/070 Rights of Way.

- (i) Mr Joe Frost, Parish Paths Liaison Officer gave his monthly report. He said that 7 Villagers had joined him for the annual footpath inspection. He noted that gates and styles were found to be in good order and that paths were generally good especially where they had been strimmed by Ben Tingay. Several paths that had been ploughed recently had been promptly reinstated and thanks were due to all concerned.
- (ii) The Clerk had received a request from Mr Ben Tingay for help with the strimming and bush cutting on the Parish footpaths. This is undertaken in a voluntary capacity. The Volunteer and Trails Officer for TDBC, Tracy Sutton, has offered to train a Volunteer to use the necessary equipment with the Council members agreeing to contribute half of the cost of the training. The Clerk will advertise for a Volunteer by placing notices on the Parish Notice Boards.
- (iii) Mr Roger Habgood (Borough Councillor) reported that he was keen to push for the Footpath WG14/1 Nynehead to Bradford on Tone to be re-opened. He was aware that both parishes had tried and was in touch with the Bridges Warden to try to move this forward.

17/071 Highways.

- (i) The Clerk had received correspondence from Somerset Highways Dept. The verge at the junction of the Luckham road with the Nynehead road had had some cutting back done but the majority of the unclassified roads would be cut back during the latter part of June and July. It was noted that road edge repairs had taken place along the Nynehead Road towards Oake.

17/072 Planning Matters.

- (i) The Clerk had received notification from the Forestry Commission SW England regarding tree management work at Hornshay Farm. Part referred to an area of laurel within the Conservation Area. This was for information only.
- (ii) The Council members considered planning application 26/17/0004 Erection of 1.8m high fence to rear of 16 Farthings Close, Nynehead (retention of works already undertaken). Objection as Council members wished to see a hedge to replace the hedgerow that was removed.
- (iii) Councillors heard concerns from residents regarding the alleged breach of planning conditions at Unit 7, Poole Industrial Estate. Members instructed the Clerk to contact the chief Planning Officer with the Council's concerns for a speedy investigation into this matter.
- (iv) The Clerk was instructed to contact the Planning Enforcement Officer concerning the replacement of windows at the Old School which is in Nynehead Conservation Area.

17/073 Parish Council Administration.

- (i) The Clerk reported receipt of the Precept £3300 and Council Tax Support Grant £69.00 for 2017/2018
- (ii) The Clerk reported the receipt of the Employers Liability Certificate from AON UK Ltd Insurance Company for 2017/18.
- (iii) The Council members considered whether to move the Council's Bank Accounts from Nat West to Lloyds Bank as the former was closing its premises in Wellington. After discussion it was decided to continue with Nat West for the present.
- (iv) The Clerk presented the Expenditure Figures for 2016/2017 for review against the Budgeted figures. These were accepted by the members.
- (v) After discussion, the Council members agreed to alter the day of the monthly Parish Council meeting from the first Monday to the third Monday in the month. This will commence from January 2018. This will alleviate the clash with other Parish Council's meetings and also avoid Bank Holidays.
- (vi) The Risk Management Document was reviewed and the Clerk will make the necessary alterations.

17/074 Receipts and Payments

- (i) The Council authorised and instructed the issue of cheques for:
 - (a) The Clerk's Salary for 2017 (£187.42) and Expenses (£15.00) Total £ 202.42 Cheque No.000737 Prop. By Mr F Meadows and Sec by Dr J Butterley.
 - (b) Nynehead Memorial Hall-Hall Hire. £39.00 Cheque No.000738 Prop by Mr F Meadows and Sec by Dr J Butterley.

17/075 Correspondence.

For information only (* received by email, ^ received by post).

- (i) Somerset Performing Arts Library Flyer* How to hire articles for local singing, drama and performing arts etc. contact www.somerset.gov.uk/pal

17/076 There were no Items Requested for the next Agenda (3 July 2017)