

NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 2 November 2015 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

Present: Mr G Sparks, Mr F Meadows, Dr J Butterley. Also present were Mr J Frost Parish Footpaths Liaison Officer, PCSO Sharon Cridlin and two members of the public.

Apologies were received from Mr Mervyn Hooper, Mrs Amanda Harcombe, Mr Roger Habgood (District Councillor and Mr J Hunt (County Councillor). Mr Gary Sparks chaired the meeting in Mr Hooper's absence.

15/112 Declaration of Interest.

There was one Declaration of personal interest from Mr Gary Sparks in respect of item 5. (The Nynehead Jubilee Playing Field) by virtue of membership of the Playing Field Committee. Dispensation was given so that a Quorum would remain.

15/113 The minutes of the meetings on 5 October were approved and signed as a correct record.

15/114 There were no Matters arising.

15/115 Nynehead Jubilee Playing Field

- (i) The Parish Council members executed the Deed of Surrender and Transfer Deed TP1 in respect of sale of land to Mr and Mrs A Eglin. The Council members also executed Transfer Deed TP1 in respect of sale of land to Mr and Mrs M J Besseling.

15/116 Vision and Priorities

- (i) The members discussed the presentation from TDBC listing Ward and District issues and the TDB Council's purpose and vision which had been supplied by Councillor Roger Habgood. The members were in agreement with all issues raised and instructed the Clerk to contact Mr Habgood to ask that he informs the Members of any wider consultation and the chance to participate in discussion.

15/117 Listening, Learning, Changing. Somerset County Council Public Engagement Exercise.

- (i) Somerset County Council have been seeking the public view about the Council's priorities and other key issues and gave Parish Councils the opportunity to give their feedback by submitting them in an on line survey. Members took some time to discuss their views to the questions posed and instructed the Clerk to submit them via the survey. The information gathered will be fed into decision-making as the County Council sets its budget for 2016/17.

15/118 Police Report

- (i) PCSO Sharon Cridlin was in attendance and gave the latest police report for October. She reported that there had been 22 calls to the police this month including a road related incident in Nynehead. The area had been relatively crime free. The Rural Crime team were to hold a free Tack and Saddle marking event on 28 November at Petfarm Supplies at Poole Trading Estate.

15/119 Rights of Way

- (i) Mr Joe Frost, Parish Footpath Liaison Officer, presented his monthly report. He stated that he was disappointed to find that garden rubbish still remains to be tipped over the hedge next to the footpath to the Jubilee Playing Fields and again this had

been thrown back onto the footpath. The Clerk will contact the Editor of the Village News Sheet to ask for a note to be placed reminding Parishioners that this is not acceptable. He also noted that one of the No Fouling signs had been removed and that he felt the signs had little impact. He reported that Mr Tingay had been busy strimming back paths especially at Long Copse which was much appreciated by the Council.

- (ii) 15/092 (ii) Bradford on Tone to Nynehead Footpath WG 14/1. The Clerk had received an email from Rachel Pearce (Rights of Way Warden- Bridges) in response to questions raised by Council Members. She stated that it was not an option to reopen the footpath as far as the dangerous bridge as they wish to prevent the public from taking any unnecessary risk crossing the unsafe structure. The Members instructed the Clerk to contact her again raising the question of arranging a meeting with all parties involved to try to resolve the problems.
- (iii) It had been noted that several of the fields around the Parish have recently been ploughed and the footpaths have not been reinstated. Mr Frost will contact Sally Vickery (Rights of way Warden) to find out which Land Owners are responsible and to ask if she might remind them of their obligations.
- (iv) 15/092(iii) Honorarium Payment to Ben Tingay. Mr Tingay has chosen a gift from Screwfix and will inform the Council of the cost. All members approved.

15/120 Highways.

- (i) Matters raise with Mr Quick concerning flushing the Gullies at the Railway Bridge on the Nynehead Road had yet to be answered.
- (ii) The Clerk had been in contact with Wellington Town Council Clerk, Mr Greg Dyke, who informed her that the Developers at Cades Farm had now made their contribution towards the cost of providing Bus Shelters on the main road and that Wellington Town Council were also making a contribution. TDBC are now getting quotes for the shelters and they should soon be in place.
- (iii) It was noted that Luckham Bridge had been hit by a vehicle again and that some of the parapet was loose. The Clerk is to contact Mr Quick in the Highways department and inform him of this and also that the white lining at Wharf Cottage has started to disintegrate.

15/121 There were no Planning Matters.

15/122 Parish Council Administration.

- (i) Members resolved to give the Clerk Authority to give instructions relating to the operation of the Parish Council Bank Accounts. A new Bank Mandate was signed with this change.
- (ii) The Bank Reconciliation at 30th September 2015 was agreed and signed.
- (iii) The Half Year Expenditure Report for 1st April-30th September 2015 was agreed.
- (iv) Mr Frank Meadows and Dr Jan Butterley would carry out the internal half- year audit of the council's accounts.
- (v) A financial report would be brought to the next meeting as a basis for the council's budget and precept for 2016/17.
- (vi) The Clerk reported that she had received notification from the Pensions Regulator concerning the Work Place Pensions staging date which is 01 October 2016. She informed the council that she had given contact details as required.
- (vii) It was noted by members the sad passing of Mr C Bishop who had been the Borough Councillor for many years and had been of great help and service to Nynehead Parish Council. All members agreed that he would be greatly missed.

15/123 Receipts and Payments.

- (i) The Council Authorised and instructed the issue of cheques for:

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(a) Clerks Salary (£155.38) and expenses (£79.80) Total £235.18 (cheque no 000700) prop. Mr Meadows, sec. Dr Butterley.

15/124 Correspondence Response Requested/Invited.

- (i) Creative Innovation Centre CIC Taunton drive community engagement programmes through a range of different mediums. They are a non-profit making organisation and request a letter of support from the Council in a bid for Lottery Funding to build a pictorial history of the Taunton Deane Area. The Members instructed the Clerk to reply with a letter of support in their bid for Lottery Funding but stating that they would not be able to give any financial support to the project themselves.

15/125 Correspondence

For information only.

To note receipt of the correspondence listed below and tabled at the meeting (* by email)

- (i) Princes Trust Enterprise Course*
- (ii) Somerset Waste Partnership monthly News Brief*
- (iii) Somerset Libraries. Mobile Library Dates*
- (iv) Somerset County Council. New single phone number for all enquiries is 0300 123 2224 and replaces the old 0845 number*

15/126 Items requested by members for the next Agenda 7 December 2015

Dr J Butterley requested that we discuss the Vital Village Plan, which was prepared in 2004, at the next meeting. The Clerk believed that it may have been reviewed several years ago. The chairman had been approached by Oake Parish Council who are currently drawing a plan up with a view to joining them at a meeting with consultants if we decided to renew our plan. The Clerk will consult the Oake Parish Council Clerk to find out exactly the type of plan they are consulting about.

Signed:

Chairman

Date