

NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2016 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

Present: Mr M Hooper, Mr G Sparks, Mr F Meadows and Dr J Butterley. Also present was Mr J Frost Parish Footpaths Liaison Officer.

Apologies were received from Mr Roger Habgood (Borough Councillor).

16/100 There were no Declarations of Interest.

16/101 The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record.

16/102 There were no Matters Arising.

16/103 Police Report

- (i) A written report had been received. PCSO Sharon Cridlin informed the Council of her change of name to Sharon Baker after her recent marriage. She informed the Council that August and September had been relatively quiet with a suspicious incident in Nynehead reported when two males entered farmland selling Tarmac and an incident of anti-social behaviour in Nynehead when a group of males were seen racing Quad Bikes on private land and were aggressive in nature. PCSO Baker reminded residents that now autumn is here, to be mindful of changing road conditions especially with excess water and ice.

16/104 Rights of Way

- (i) A monthly report was received from Mr Joe Frost (Parish Footpaths Liaison Officer). He stated that many fields had been ploughed around the Parish and footpaths had been re-instated quickly. He thanked the farmers involved. He remarked on the fact that Permissive Paths in Nynehead had been closed until further notice by the local farmer whose land they are on. This was due mainly to continual disregard by some Dog Owners who have not cleaned up after their animals.
- (ii) The Clerk had received a report from Rachel Pearce (TDBC Bridges Warden) stating that no further progress has been made on Footpath WG14/1 Bradford on Tone to Nynehead. The Bridge specification has been agreed with the Structures Team but it has yet to be designed.
- (iii) Mr Meadows reported that a number of well-respected residents are extremely upset by the closure of the Permissive Paths on Mr & Mrs Darby's land and whilst they understand the action taken, wish it published through the Parish Council and the Local Press that the extreme measure taken by the Darby's has been caused by non-residents of the village. There has been total disregard of the notices requesting them to dispose of their Dog Waste bags instead of which they have been leaving them all over the footpaths and fields. It seems that enjoyment of the villagers has been spoilt by outsiders.

16/105 Highways

- (i) The Clerk had contacted the Highways Depart. Regarding the speeding issue reported by a resident at the last meeting but had not received a reply to date. The Clerk had also contacted the Road Closure Team as we have not been receiving Road Closure Notices and it appears they had not updated the records with the new Clerk's details. This has now been rectified.

16/106 Planning Matters

- (i) 26/16/0016/CR Notification of prior approval for proposed change of use of an agricultural building to flexible retail use at the Weigh Bridge Office and Store, Heywood Farm, Chipley Road, Nynehead. Withdrawn.
- (ii) The Members considered 26/16/0018/CQ Prior Approval for a proposed change of use from agricultural building to 2 No. dwelling houses (Class C3) at Heywood Farm, Nynehead (resubmission of 26/16/0008/CQ). No further comments.
- (iii) The Clerk reported on Planning Training Session with TDBC on 19th October 2016 which had been cancelled and rescheduled for 29th November 2016 and would deal with Heritage Issues.
- (iv) The Clerk had received notification from the Planning Enforcement Officer regarding E/0128/26/16 alleged non-compliance in relation to the access at Hornshay Farm Barns. This had been inspected and the entry complies with the planning permission granted. She had also received notification E/0152/26/16 alleged unauthorised running of business from residence at Hillside, East Nynehead. This had been investigated and this is proved not to be the case. Both cases have been closed.
- (v) The Clerk reported a reply she had received from Mr Timothy Burton (Chief Planning Officer TDBC) to a letter she had sent on behalf of the Council Members concerning the handling of a recent planning application.

16/107 Parish Council Administration

- (i) The half yearly Expenditure report for 1 April 2016- 30 September 2016 was agreed.
- (ii) The Bank Reconciliation at September 30th 2016 was agreed and signed.
- (iii) The Clerk reported that the Mobile Library service to Nynehead would cease at the end of December 2016 as it was not being used and because Wellington Library is less than 3 miles away. An arrangement for any house-bound resident to receive books can be put in place. Members pointed out that we now have the Book Exchange in the Telephone Kiosk for residents to make use of.
- (iv) The Clerk reported that she had received notice of Referendum Principles for the Local Government Finance Settlement 2017/2018. She reported that the proposal is for these principles to be extended to all councils and that the members are urged to respond to the consultation forthwith. As extending these principles to all local councils will be detrimental, the members instructed the Clerk to write on their behalf to their Member of Parliament expressing their concerns.
- (v) The Clerk reported that Nynehead Parish Council has now completed a declaration of compliance with the Pensions Regulator under the Pensions Act 2008. The Council has declared that it had no member of staff for automatic enrolment into a pension scheme on the staging date of 1 October 2016.

16/108 Receipts and Payments

- (i) The Council authorised and instructed the issue of cheques for:
 - (a) Clerk's Salary for September (£178.40) and expenses (£94.05) Total £272.45 (cheque No. 000723) prop. Mr Meadows. Sec Mr Sparks
 - (b) All Saints Church PCC-TDBC Burial Ground Grant £630.00 (Cheque No. 000724) Prop Mr Meadows. Sec Dr Butterley
 - (c) Nynehead Jubilee Playing Field Committee-TDBC Grant £362.00 (Cheque No. 000725) Prop Mr Meadows. Sec Dr Butterley
- (ii) To Note Receipts
 - (a) TDBC- Maintenance Grants £992.00

16/109 Correspondence

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

- (i) SWP September 2016 Monthly Briefing* www.somersetwaste.gov.uk
Daisy BLacklock Communications Officer SCC Become a foster carer
www.fosteradoption.somerset.gov.uk

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