

NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 21 AUGUST 2023 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

The meeting started at 20.15 and concluded at 21.20

Present	Dr J Butterley - Mrs A Harcombe – Mrs R Ball Risk - Mr J Frost (Parish Footpaths Liaison Officer) – Mr G Wren (District Councillor) attended the first part of the meeting PC Rachel Lang and PCSO Vicky Henderson also attended the first part of the meeting. Christine Brewer (Locality Manager Taunton Deane) , Frank Meadows and Sarah Burt attended.	
23/094	Apologies	Mr J Toye, Mr M Vest
23/095	Declarations of Interest	There were no Declarations of Interest or Dispensations.
23/096	Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of the meeting held 17 July 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record.
23/097	Actions from the previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The LCN Minutes for the meeting on 6th July have been circulated to Members (ii) Rosemary Lea has granted an extension for the Newsletter submission to 22nd August. (iii) The Clerk spoke to Rebecca Hunt (Admin Assistant) for Wellington Town Council regarding the Lidl junction. She did not know of anyone flagging it for concern to Wellington Town Council. She and Wellington Clerk, Dave Farrow will be having a meeting with Active Travel about that junction and will further our concerns to Somerset Council after that meeting. (iv) An Email was sent to Robin Darby thanking him for his continued help with the dangerous trees on the margin of the Hollow. (v) PC Lang and PCSO Henderson will be holding a meeting in Nynehead Memorial Hall on Tuesday 22nd August at 6pm for an informative discussion to help the community, explain that there is a lot of work going on in the background and to ask for help from the community.
23/098	Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Planning Application 43/23/0056 Outline application with all matters reserved, except for access, for a mixed use development of up to 220 dwellings, employment land, a car park and internal spine road to facilitate a rail halt/station, public open space, drainage & associated infrastructure on land north of Taunton Road, Longforth Park, Wellington. Members agreed to investigate further the road safety implications of the current junction between the proposed development and the Nynehead Road as this is the same junction that is used to enter and exit Lidl and have been in discussion with Simon Fox (planning officer for Somerset Council) and another planning expert.
23/099	Village Agent	<p>Christine Brewer spoke about her team of Village Agents in Somerset. Village Agents are funded by a charity – The Community Council for Somerset (CCS). There are 60 Village and Community Agents and each agent is assigned to a GP surgery. Anyone can refer someone to a Village Agent provided the person is over 18 and gives their consent, unlike Community Agents who can only take referrals from a social worker.</p> <p>Village agents help direct people to social activities, assist with Blue Badge and Bus Pass applications and can help with some benefits such as attendance allowance and carers allowance. Families on limited means and people in crisis can get grants for a cooker or washing machine and help with furniture. The Besom in Taunton is a Christian organisation that provides a bridge between those who want to give and those in need in the Taunton and Wellington area. https://www.tauntonbesom.org.uk/</p> <p>Village agents run over 30 weekly Talking Cafes all over Somerset where you can drop in to meet and chat with your local agent. In Wellington it is held at St. John’s Church every Tuesday 10am -12noon. For more information please visit https://somersetagents.org/talking-cafes</p>
23/100	Parish Council Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) TRO speed limit – speed monitoring and awareness. Members agreed to wait until all work is completed (see Highways below) (ii) Flood marker update – Cllr Gwil Wren will be meeting with a representative from the Rivers Authority to discuss flooding on the Nynehead Road. (iii) Lidl junction update - The Parish Council is asking residents to report any ‘near misses’ at the Lidl junction with Nynehead Road to simon.fox@somerset.gov.uk and to copy in Alex

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		<p>Skidmore of the Highways department (alex.skidmore@somerset.gov.uk). Also see comments below from Kate Brown.</p> <p>(iv) Nynehead Natters Grant Application – former Clerk to NPC Judy Jones has very kindly offered to help with securing a grant to enable the continuation of Nynehead Natters into 2024. Members fully support a grant application to enable the continuation of Nynehead Natters.</p> <p>(v) Nynehead.org – 123Reg. Members approved moving the domain name from Joomla to 123Reg. This will result in some downtime for Nynehead.org.</p>
23/101	Police Report	<p>(i) There were 8 calls into 101 and 999 for Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone, Langford Budville for the month of July. – 1 Criminal damage, – 3 Malicious communications, – 1 Crime related incident, – 1 Public order – 2 Assault The Malicious Communications and Public Order where part of one incident. The two Assaults happened in the same incident. There were no calls to police for ASB in Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone, Langford Budville in July.</p>
23/102	Rights of Way	<p>(ii) Kissing Gate where WG14/4 joins WG8/6 – a reply from Glyn Edwards 14th August – <i>it's been tasked to a contractor to replace</i></p> <p>(iii) Report from Joe Frost, Footpath Liaison Officer – <i>Many thanks again to Steve Wadham for all his fantastic trimming work with his new machine. Thanks also to Ben Tingay who will strim behind the Old School and the path leading to Wharf Cottage. The proposed date for The Annual Footpath Walk is Sunday 24th September. Meet at the Memorial Hall 2pm. All welcome. The Clerk will write to Mr Ling to ask for re-establishment of the Footpath WG8/12 (Playing Field to Luckham Stream) where several walkers report difficulty getting through due to overgrowth.</i></p>
23/103	Highways	<p>From Kate Brown (Traffic Engineer) Somerset Council</p> <p><i>I raised this concern regarding Lidl with our planning development team and I believe they are looking at this. I have forwarded this email to them again today and asked that they make contact with you directly. I have also asked the team manager to reply regarding the new application.</i></p> <p><i>Just a quick update re the changes to the speed limit. All signs have now been installed but we are awaiting the lining to be done. We also put in some extra roundels on the road near Nynehead Court as one of the repeater signs was not very visible. I am hoping the lining will be done shortly. Once works are complete we will seal the TRO and update the Parish and the police, I believe there is a bedding in period before enforcement is carried out. Once works are claimed for by our contractor we can then issue an invoice for the costs.</i></p>
23/104	Receipts and Payments	<p>(i) The Council authorised and instructed payment for:</p> <p>(a) The Clerk's Salary for July £251.02 and Expenses (£20.00) Total £271.02 Prop by Dr J Butterly and Sec Mrs A Harcombe .</p> <p>(b) The Clerk's Salary for August £251.02 and Expenses (£20.00) Total £271.02 Prop by Mrs R Ball Risk and Sec Mrs A Harcombe</p> <p>(c) M. S. King (Nynehead Natters 8/09/2023) £45.00 prop y Mrs R Ball Risk and Sec Mrs A Harcombe</p>
23/105	Correspondence	<p><u>For information only</u></p> <p>(i) bit.ly/LearnForLove</p> <p>(ii) phishing-newsletter.pdf</p> <p>(iii) http://www.myess.co.uk/</p>
23/106	Items requested for next agenda	<p>Items Requested for the next Agenda (16th October 2023):</p> <p>(i) The Old School Building</p> <p>(ii) Mrs R Ball Risk leave of absence</p> <p>(iii) Flood markers update</p> <p>(iv) Update from Police Meeting 22nd August</p> <p>(v) Update on Lidl road junction.</p>