

NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 15th July 2024 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

The meeting started at 19.30 and concluded at 21.40

Present	Dr J Butterley - Mrs A Harcombe – Mr M Vest– Mr J Toye - Mr J Frost (Parish Footpaths Liaison Officer) – Mr G Wren (Somerset Councillor) attended the first part of the meeting. Mr Frank Meadows was present throughout, Steph and John Stamp attended the first part of the meeting.	
24/106	Apologies	Mrs R Ball Risk (Maternity Leave), Cllr Dave Mansell, PCSO Henderson
24/107	Declarations of Interest	There were no Declarations of Interest or Dispensations.
24/108	Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of the meeting held 17 th June were approved and signed as a correct record.
24/109	Somerset Rivers Authority	Discussion of local flooding issues with Dr B Deering (Community Engagement Officer, Somerset Rivers Authority). Dr Deering firstly explained that the Somerset Rivers Authority was set up following the severe 2013/14 floods, it is funded through a Council Tax precept and is a partnership between Somerset Council, the Environment Agency, Wessex Water, the Flood and Coastal Forum, the Drainage Boards, FWAG and Natural England. This year the SRA is broadening its schemes and will now take proposals from Parish and Town Councils. The SRA will give support and advice to reduce and prevent flooding working collaboratively with its partners. It was suggested that NPC consider an Emergency Plan/ Flood warden with possible grant funding from Somerset Prepared. Thankfully, Nynehead residents have so far not been subjected to flooding of any homes so NPC will be focusing on help with mapping flow pathways of the water at times of flood, to better understand the causes of the flooding and then ask for help to reduce the depth and frequency of flooding. Dr Deering also asked to empower individuals to reduce water run off by using water butts (emptied ahead of heavy rainfall), rain gardens and the necessity to keep rainwater out of the sewage system.
24/110	Actions from the previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) All AGAR documents were uploaded onto Nynehead.org website to meet the statutory exercise of public rights time frame. (ii) The Clerk contacted Mr Tim Sylvester Jones (Treasurer of all saints Church Nynehead) – who confirmed that the All Saints Church Burial Ground does not receive any money from the War Graves Commission (iii) All Memorial Hall and Jubilee Playing Field documents have been copied, digitised and returned to Somerset Council for safe keeping in the Records Office but accessible through Legal Services. (iv) Nynehead.org – Following discussions with the website maker, Mrs Rachael Ball Risk and Dr Jan Butterley and because Nynehead.org is a community website, not just for Parish Council matters, it was agreed that a gov.uk domain would not be appropriate. (v) Nynehead Court was contacted asking about instances when staff were unable to get to work due to flooded roads.
24/111	Planning Matters	(i) Planning Application 26/24/0005 and 26/24/0006 – response - Nynehead Parish Council continues to Support this development as it is beneficial to Nynehead residents by increasing local employment and close care places. The proposed layout amendments appear minor and separating the new build and existing wall seems to be a practical measure to protect the integrity of the north wall.

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		<p>(ii) 26/24/0007 Proposal: Variation of Condition No's 01 and 04 of application 26/23/0002 in order to allow the external yard areas to be used for storage and/or for vehicle parking in association with the approved use at Units 5, 6 and 7 Poole Industrial Estate, East Nynehead Road, Wellington.</p> <p>(iii) 26/24/0008/CR Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a proposed change of use of an agricultural building to Class B8 use at Grange Farm, Luckham Bridge Road, Nynehead</p>
24/112	Parish Council Administration	<p>(i) Scribe Payments and Receipts- noted</p> <p>(ii) 3 month bank reconciliation - noted</p> <p>(iii) Members decided against setting up a flooding sub-committee</p> <p>(iv) Members agreed to send a letter to the newly elected MP, Rachel Gilmore to inform her of the flooding of roads into Nynehead, ask her for support with measures to mitigate the flooding and for her help and guidance.</p>
24/113	Police Report	<p>(i) There was 3 police reports for Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone, Langford Budville for the month of June. These involved: 1 Crime related incident- Scam attempt, 1 Dog bite 1 Criminal damage and 1 Public order. There were no reports of antisocial behaviour.</p>
24/114	Rights of Way	<p>(i) Footpath liaison officer Mr J Frost reported there have been no problems.</p>
24/115	Highways	<p>Recent correspondence with Kate Brown (Somerset Highways Traffic Engineer) has confirmed that the vehicle speeds on East Nynehead Road outside Poole Cottages average below 30mph, the speeds are captured by mobile phones and sat nav devices so they are constantly updated. A 30mph limit is normally considered where there are at least 30 houses along the road so the Poole Cottages area wouldn't fall under this category.</p> <p>Regarding Speed Indicative Devices (SIDs), Kate Brown will look at the average speeds in the 20mph area to identify the most suitable locations. Members of the Parish Council will then need to choose the most suitable model of SID, gain approval from Somerset Council for the device before applying to the Road Safety Fund for a grant to cover the cost. Currently applications to the Road Safety Fund are closed.</p>
24/116	Receipts and Payments	<p>The Council authorised and instructed payment for:</p> <p>(a) The Clerk's Salary (£222.26) and Expenses (£97.95) Total £320.21</p> <p>(b) HMRC Clerk's PAYE £55.60</p> <p>(c) Ms M.S King Nynehead Natters 21/06 + 05/07 £93.83</p> <p>(d) Mr J Toye reimburse for Carly Press scanning/printing Hall and Playing Field documents £60</p>
24/117	Correspondence	<p><u>For information only</u></p>
24/118	Items requested for next agenda	<p>Items Requested for the next Agenda (19th August 2024):</p> <p>(i) NPC would like to collate data and relevant information regarding potential solutions to the flooding of roads around Nynehead. Residents are invited to send items to the clerk by email (nyneheadclerk@gmail.com) or to attend the first part of the meeting.</p>