

## NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

The meeting started at 19.30 and concluded at 21.10

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| <b>Present</b> | Dr J Butterley - Mr J Toye - Mrs A Harcombe - Mr M Vest - Mr G Wren (Somerset Councillor) attended the first part of the meeting. |  |
| 25/190         | Apologies   | Cllr Dave Mansell, PCSO Henderson, Mrs Rachael Ball Risk, Mr Joe Frost   |
| 25/191         | Declarations of Interest  | There were no Dispensations. Mr J Toye declared his interest in Nynehead Memorial Hall as acting Caretaker.  |
| 25/192         | Approval of Minutes   | The Minutes of the meeting held 17th February were approved and signed as a correct record.  |
| 25/193         | Actions from the previous meeting   | (i) A new invoice was obtained for Ian Rutherford's SIDs training<br>(ii) The response from PCSO Henderson re nuisance parking in Blackdown View was noted.<br>(iii) The New Financial Regulations were published on website and the dates removed from the other policy buttons.  |
| 25/194         | Planning Matters  | <p>Planning Applications</p> <p><b>26/25/0001-</b> (Change of use of the Old School building to a dwelling) NPC responded that it supports the new design as it preserves the original character of the building and is therefore in keeping with the Conservation Area. Plus requesting a dark skies lighting clause.</p> <p><b>26/25/0002</b> - the access to the new dwelling to be relocated from the existing shared entrance to providing a new private entrance located 110m along Luckham Bridge Road. No comment</p> <p>Members also discussed 3 recent planning applications <b>43/24/0092</b>, <b>43/24/0105</b> and <b>43/25/0012/VSC</b> all relating to the Longforth Park development and agreed that no comment was needed for any of them.</p>  |
| 25/195         | Parish Council Administration   | <p>(i) Scribe Payments and Receipts -noted</p> <p>(ii) NPC <b>Code of Conduct</b> - adopted</p> <p>(iii) Adopt NPC <b>Standing Orders</b> -adopted</p> <p>(iv) Following the <b>Clerk's appraisal</b> in February Members agreed that the Clerk's salary will increase from the current rate of £13.05/hr to £13.26/hr from March as she moves from pay grade SCP 6 to SCP 7.</p> <p>(v) <b>MP's visit to Nynehead</b> – NPC is currently awaiting a date suggestion from the MP's Chief of Staff, Rhys Wallis.</p> <p>(vi) <b>Google analytics</b> for Feb-March shows the village website <a href="http://nynehead.org">nynehead.org</a> has received 690 views from 164 active users. The majority of views are for the home page (latest news), Memorial Hall and Newsletter.</p> <p>(vii) The <b>events calendar</b> on <a href="http://nynehead.org">nynehead.org</a> is now live, the calendar has its own tab 'What's On' and has Parish Council, Natters and Garden Club dates listed. Shortly Church and Club events will also be added. A few changes have been made to the navigation, the Church now sits within 'Community'. There will also be some changes to simplify the Memorial Hall information, create a</p> |

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|        |                                 | <p>Neighbourhood Watch alerts box and make it clearer where to report problems.</p> <p>(viii) Members approved that <b>Nynehead Now</b> should go live. This WhatsApp based service aims to be an electronic notice-board for the village. Residents can join by contacting Jeremy Toye (07801 824755 or email <a href="mailto:jtoyenyneheadcouncil@gmail.com">jtoyenyneheadcouncil@gmail.com</a>)</p>   |
| 25/196 | Police Report                   | <p>There was 1 police report for Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone, Langford Budville for the month of February. This call involved: 1 Criminal damage.</p> <p>There were 0 reports of ASB across the Wellington rural beat.</p>  |
| 25/197 | Rights of Way                   | <p>(i) Footpath report for March – <i>At long last the footpaths are drying up. Could I please remind all landowners to re-instate all footpaths across ploughed fields. I will soon be starting to clear finger posts and way markers of vegetation. Can I ask walkers to clear any that I may miss.</i> Mr Joe Frost, Footpath Liaison Officer</p>   |
| 25/198 | Highways                        | <p>(i) <b>SIDs application</b> – SC Traffic Officer Kate Brown confirmed receipt of the documentation for the SID’s application. She has progressed the Memorandum of Understanding to a colleague for signing. Two new posts will be installed by SC Highways provided grant funding for the SID is successful.</p> <p>(ii) <b>Flood signage</b> – Members discussed recent correspondence with SC Highways where adherence to Department of Transport standard signage was given as the reason for not endorsing the more informative flood signage proposed by members of the Parish Council. NPC will continue to work on improved flood signage including moving the depth markers to places visible to motorist before they enter any flood water.</p> |
| 25/199 | Receipts and Payments           | <p>(i) The Council authorised and instructed payment for:</p> <p>(a) The Clerk’s Salary(292.40) and Expenses (55.90) Total <b>£348.30</b></p> <p>(b) HMRC (Clerk’s Tax for February) <b>£73.00</b></p> <p>(c) Ms M S King (Nynehead Natters 28/3) <b>£26.97</b></p> <p>(d) Parish Online Subscription <b>£60</b></p>   |
| 25/200 | Correspondence                  | <p>(i) Members discussed a reply to Mr Justin Cole on his comments (by email) on road flooding at Hornshay. Members agreed with his views and aim to work with landowners to make improvements. NPC thanked Mr Cole for his email.</p> <p>(ii) Mrs Caroline Neary of Island Cottage – sent an email to to confirm that a planning application for the fence has been submitted.</p>  |
| 25/201 | Items requested for next agenda | <p>Items Requested for the next Agenda (14<sup>th</sup> April 2025): Please note this meeting will be held in <b>Nynehead Club</b></p> <p>(i) Nynehead Emergency Plan</p>  |