

NETLEY MARSH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Netley Marsh Community Hall, on 21 June 2023

Present: Cllr Welbourn, (Chairman), Cllr Cook, Cllr Haysom, Cllr Johnstone and Cllr Merrill.

In attendance: Cllr Penman, Cllr Tipp, 4 members of the public, the Parish Clerk and the RFO/Clerks
Assistant:

48. **Welcome**

Cllr Welbourn welcomed Councillors and Members of the Public to the meeting

49. Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Shaw, Cllr Babey and Cllr Reilly,

50. **Declaration of Interests** – there were none

51. **Public Participation** a resident spoke about the Jubilee Orchard trees and the wild area. It was agreed the wild area will be moved as it is not appropriate around the new trees and impedes access to residents hedges. It was emphasised that all the trees will be properly managed in future.

52. **Approval of Monthly and Annual meeting minutes of 17 May 2023**

The minutes having been circulated were amended as follows

Monthly meeting minutes

Second para 39, delete 39. Additonal to read – 40. Tree works problems Woodlands Road / Priestlands Close.....

The Monthly meeting and Annual meeting minutes were then agreed and the monthly meeting minutes were signed by the Chairman.

53. **Planning**

Planning and appeal decisions from NFNPA and NFDC were noted.

The following decisions made by the planning sub-committee were ratified to be passed to NFNPA

Appl no	Address	Proposals	
00693	Stable Flat, Loperwood Lane, Calmore, Southampton, SO40 2RR	Addition of glazing to infill existing courtyard; car port; alterations to doors and windows; 7no. roof lights; cladding	1. Permission but accept officers decision. It was felt that the listed with the listed building
00694lb c	Stable Flat, Loperwood Lane, Calmore, Southampton, SO40 2RR	Addition of glazing to infill existing courtyard; car port; alterations to doors and windows; 7no. roof lights; cladding; internal alterations (Application for Listed Building Consent)	regulations, expert opinion was essential.
00654	Martins Farm, Shepherds Road, Bartley, Southampton, SO40 2LH	Renovation and conversion of barn LISTED BUILDING CONSENT	5. Accept officers decision
00539	Martins Farm, Shepherds Road, Bartley, Southampton, SO40 2LH	Installation of ground-mounted solar panels	5. Accept officers decision. There are concerns about the scale/size of the proposals, which appear to be more than would be required for one property. Other concerns included the visual impact on neighbouring properties. It was felt all of these should be considered.

00653	Martins Farm, Shepherds Road, Bartley, Southampton, SO40 2LH	Renovation and conversion of barn	5. Accept Officers decision.
00631	Lynden, Alpine Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7AN	Single storey extension; porch; new doors to garage; alterations to windows	3. Permission, no issues were raised.
00676	4 Woodside Cottages, Ringwood Road, Bartley, Southampton, SO40 7LA	Single storey extension; porch; alterations to doors & windows; cladding & render	3. Permission as no neighbouring property concerns received.
00656	410 Woodlands Road, Woodlands, Southampton, SO40 7GA	Outbuilding	3. Permission, the nearness of the proposals to the front boundary was noted.

Clerk to send comments to NFNPA

54. County, National Park & District Matters

54.i Cllr Penman reported on HCC matters. A meeting with Nick Adams-King will take place shortly, the Clerk will be informed. It is planned to walk the Ringwood Road area, also the Tatchbury Lane junction, with consideration of a controlled crossing of the A336. Potholes and long depressed areas caused by HGV movements will be pointed out. It is hoped Mr Adams King will also attend the July parish council meeting.

Proposals for the changes to the A326 were noted: Dualling from M27 to existing dualled section, this was welcomed as it will potentially reduce HGV movements on the A336. Traffic Lights at the junction of the A336/A326 are a cause of concern in terms of queuing traffic and delays to journey times. Having the southbound left hand land approaching the Morrisons roundabout being left turn only was welcomed.

Clerk to advise Cllrs and other interested parties when date of meeting known.

54.ii NFNPA no report, awaiting outcome of election of Parish Representative to North East Quadrant.

54.iii Cllr Tipp advised the meeting that he is now in the cabinet responsible for Economy and Planning and also represents NFDC on the NFNPA Board as do Cllr Penman and Cllr Reilly. Rural Fund Grants will shortly become available for infrastructure projects, Capital expenditure on a matching funds basis, not revenue spending. Cllr grants are also available.

55. Matters Arising

55.i **Ringwood Road** update including pedestrian crossing see 54.i above. Cllr Cooks initial proposals for a crossing were noted. It was agreed the Clerk should contact the local groups listed as well as regular users of the Community Hall, the WI and the White Horse Pub asking for support for the project. Information will also be included on the large noticeboards.

Clerk to contact interested parties and pursue

55.ii Update on **SID** Cllr Johnstone had contacted the PCSO and the Clerk had contacted NFDC, reply awaited following staff leave.

55.iii **Tatchbury Lane** flooding update and water discharge on to highway, this will be considered at the meeting with Nick Adams-King. It is weather dependent and ongoing.

55.iv **First New Forest** the Clerk had made contact and will follow this up. **NF CAB**, it is difficult to see how the Parish Council can have any input other than providing a grant.

Clerk to follow up First New Forest contact.

55.v **Bartley Village Hall**, clarification of role of NMPC rep. The Clerk will ask Cllr Babey to provide a report if she is unable to attend the July meeting.

Clerk to contact Cllr Babey

55.vi To confirm receipt of all completed **register of Interest and Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms** – confirmed.

55.vii To consider the question of financial support for **WIFI at the Community Hall** it was considered that this would be a valuable addition to the facilities at the Hall and the Parish Council would be willing to offer some support for such a facility financially. It was agreed the Clerk will contact the Hall Chairman and ask for it to be an item on their next agenda and ask the Committee to get quotes for the relevant installation and ongoing contracts.. Cllr Johnstone will speak about this when he attends the Hall Committee meeting in July,

Clerk to contact Hall Chairman

56. Members Report

56.i Woodlands Community Hall – the next meeting is in July. It was noted with concern that a regular booking at the hall on a Wednesday morning appears to have a dog attending. It is not known with this is an Assistance Dog or an Emotional Support Dog. There is concern about dog mess on the area adjacent to the hall. Dogs are not allowed on the recreation ground nor in any part of the play area – including any of the area covered with wet pour. Cllr Johnstone asked about support for solar panels for the Hall, this will be an item on the next agenda.

Clerk to liaise with Hall Committee and Booking Secretary on this issue.

56.ii **Community Hall, Lease update**, it was agreed the delay on this is unacceptable. Agreed Clerk to contact with the hall committee and solicitor. Resolution of the problem will be an item on the next agenda.

Clerk to contact Hall Chairman

56.iii Play area, zip wire, gym including annual inspection report. The main item is the issue of the wet pour shrinkage and lifting creating a trip hazard. The Clerk will get quotes for remedial work and will also go through the list with the Groundsman.

Clerk to get quotes and liaise with Groundsman.

56.iv **Recreation ground** and update on review of the fencing, Clerk, Groundsman and some Councillors to walk the boundaries and report on the state of the fences. With regard to the wild area in the recreation ground, while the Council is not averse to having such an area, it is not currently in the right place and this needs consideration, particularly in view of tick problems. The grass contractor to be advised that the area around the orchard must be included in his cutting programme. It is to be made clear to both the grass contractor and the Pre-School that requests from the Pre-School must come to the Parish Council. The contractor needs to be reminded that his instructions must come from the Council. Any other instructions must be referred to the Clerk.

Clerk to contact the grass Contractor and the Pre-School and set up walking the field boundaries.

56.v To consider the **Play Area Annual Inspection** report, noted and see 56.iii above.

56.vi Update on work to extend the pathway this is now completed. The sloping end into the play area needs some attention as the material is loose and spreading. The Chairman will have a look at this.

56.vii **Outlook** – Summer 2023 – this has had to be reprinted and is now with the Clerk ready for distribution. Noted.

56.viii Update on **conservation review**. This is ongoing with Councillors fitting in tasks with other commitments. Information may be included in the website. Mapping and photographs are the main priority as a start, followed up by a request to NFNPA for feedback. A Whats App group was suggested to progress the work on this, Clerk was asked to investigate any rules relating to Councils using Whats App facilities.

Clerk to research rules relating to Whats App.

56.ix **Consultative Panel** meeting held on 1st June. Cllr Cook reported. There are concerns about agricultural funding as this is leading to a reduction of the number of ccattle on the forest leading to changes in grazing patterns. The Waterside traffic proposals were considered as were Article 4 campsites. Public spaces regulations come in on 1 July. There is concern about the lack of attendance from representatives of HCC and NFDC.

57. **Waterside Transport** Event and survey, many Councillors had attended, noted.

58. **Groundsman work/duties & training.** Playground inspection training is needed, up to £400.00 was agreed so that this can be arranged as soon as possible, with the proviso that if he leaves within 12 months then the fees must be reimbursed by him.. There is a long list of outstanding work which has been passed to the Groundsman. He has allocated Wednesdays as his day to attend Netley Marsh.

Clerk to get further quotes for Play Area regular inspection training, liaise with the Groundsman and make the necessary arrangements.

59. **Flooding problems update Woodlands Road / Priestlands Close**, it is understood HCC have programmed this in for September, subject to weather. A resident reported that the residents of the old Police House have clearing their ditch in hand. Noted.

60. **Footpaths and Bridleways** - Footpath 2 is still blocked, Clerk to report this to HCC. Footpath 5 is overgrown, Clerk to report this to HCC. Footpath 12 work has been agreed to move the fence back therefore reopening the footpath. Noted.

Clerk to contact HCC re. Footpaths 2 and 5.

61. **Lengthsman- Quote for Annual car park Weed killing treatment** verbal quote of £50.00 had been received which it was agreed to accept. Clerk to liaise with Lengthsman requesting the work be done during the school holidays. The Lengthsman will also keep an eye on progress at the Priestlands Close site.

Clerk to contact Lengthsman

62. **Clerks Report** noted with the addition that the Carnival is due to take place on 24 June.

63. **Correspondence** a list of correspondence had been circulated. Matters requiring attention were

NFDC	Planning consultation	circulated and noted.
A resident	re orchard and wild area	see 51 above

64. **Financial matters**

Expenditure

Detail	Details	Net	VAT	Gross
H Lawrence coronation medals	Online May with salary cleared	248.00		248.00
TLC Inv 219 1st quarter 3rd payment + Outlook inv2272	Online June	247.06		247.06
Gardeners South Inv No 3193	Online June	387.60	77.52	465.12
Tina Vine	Online June	50.00		50.00
Future Arb (tree work) Inv SI-759	Online June	2,100.00	420.00	2,520.00
Play Inspection Inv 61210	Online June	125.00	25.00	150.00

H Lawrence + 40p owing on medals	Online June	324.54	1.50	326.04
R Cooper	Online June	372.41	11.67	384.08
HMRC PAYE	Online June	383.20		383.20
	Total uncleared above			4,773.50

64.i June payments as listed were approved.

64.ii The **Internal Auditor letter** had been considered at the previous meeting

64.iii The Vice Chair confirmed he had checked the **Bank Reconciliation** which was correct.

65. Parish Matters

65.i **Bourne Road verges** Cllr Babey will be asked to provide a report if she is unable to attend the July meeting.

Clerk to contact Cllr Babey

65.ii Councillors items

65.ii.i The question of the 2 metre high blue fencing recently erected towards the Ashurst end of Woodlands Road was raised. It is understood this had been reviewed by NFNPA and the workmen told to cease, however, the work was continuing. The ditch had also been filled in. Agreed to report to NFNPA Planning Department and the HCC Ordinary Watercourses Department.

Clerk to contact NFNPA Planning Department and HCC Watercourses Department

65.ii.ii The question of the bungalow which has replaced a proposed garage apparently built by a resident in Alpine Road, on land belonging to a nearby property in Woodlands Road was raised. It was agreed to ask the Planning Authority to look into this.

Clerk to contact NFNPA Planning Department.

65.ii.iii Cllr Merrill gave apologies for the next meeting.

66. Confidential – No members of the public were in attendance at this point. **NFNPA North East Quadrant Ballot** As a candidate Cllr Johnson left the meeting at this point. A ballot was held a candidate was chosen and the Clerk instructed to send in the completed ballot paper.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.27pm.

Clerk to the Council to: All Members of the Council

Next meeting Wednesday 19 July 2023 at 7.45 pm Woodlands Community Hall

Signed:

date: 19 July 2023