

NETLEY MARSH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Netley Marsh Community Hall, on 17 January 2024

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

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

162. **Welcome**

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

163. Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Babey and Cllr Cook.

164. **Declaration of Interests** – none.

165. **Public Participation**, none.

166. **Approval of minutes of 13 December 2023**

The minutes having been circulated were agreed and were signed by the Chairman.

167. **Planning**

Planning and appeal decisions from NFNPA and NFDC were noted.

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

01532	Birchlands, Whitemoor Lane, Winsor, Southampton, SO40 2HD	Single-storey rear extension; extension and conversion of attached garage to ancillary floorspace; new detached garage; changes to windows; demolition of existing conservatory; extension of existing rooftop solar panel array	3. Permission
01514	Langshaw, Loperwood Lane, Calmore, Southampton, SO40 2RR	Render and cladding to dwelling and garage	3. Permission
01641PATC	Upper Hanger Farm, Totton Western Bypass, Totton, Southampton, SO40 8AF	Application under part 16 of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order in respect of a 25 metre lattice sharable mast, 6 no. antennas, 2no. dishes, 5no. operator cabinets, 1no. electrical meter cabinet and ancillary development thereto (removal of 15 metre monopole mast and associated compound)	1. Support Officers decision, permission . The Council were concerned that the structure should be coloured to blend in with the local environment as far as possible and feel some conditions should be imposed on the permission to ensure this.
01467	Patra, Bourne Road, Woodlands, Southampton, SO40 7G	Single-storey extension; porch; demolition of existing conservatory and porch	3. Permission
01640	Woodhayes, Bartley Road, Woodlands, Southampton, SO40 7GN	Replacement dwelling; outbuilding; demolition existing dwelling Amendments	3. Permission

Clerk to send comments to NFNPA/NFDC

167.ii Planned Solar Farm it was noted that there will be a presentation at the February meeting.

168. County, National Park & District Matters

168.i Cllr Penman apologised for late arrival and reported on **HCC** matters. Major future budget cuts are required to balance the budget, sensible reserves have enabled this to be planned for. Street lights will be turned off overnight, 1 – 4am. Roads, Cllr Penman hopes to have a date for the Ringwood Road crossing inspection by 19 January. Potholes, it is important these are reported on the HCC website and the reference number passed to the local HCC Councillor. Cllr Penman has various mobility items available, it was agreed to mention this in Outlook. Cllr Penman may be able to get sandbags delivered to the Parish, these could be stored in the hall car park. Agreed the Parish Council thanked Cllr Penman for these offers.

168.ii **NFNPA** no report.

168.iii Cllr Reilly advised the meeting that **NFDC** is offering free advice to entrepreneurs and those starting self employment. Garden waste bins are now being delivered.

168.iv. **High speed Broadband** reports were received that there are problems in the Woodlands Road (Ashurst end) regarding the fibreoptic system recently installed in the road. There appear to be problems connecting the system to properties. This is a matter of concern, HCC should be aware.

Clerk to contact HCC

169. Matters Arising

169.i **Ringwood Road** and pedestrian crossing. The crossing awaits HCC approval in principle. Cllr Penman may know a date for the inspection at the end of the week. The Council has submitted all paperwork required to NFDC in relation to the grant for this. A member of the public expressed concern regarding the future of the woodmill site and the potential for more lorries using the A336. An email from HCC mentioning the weight limit was noted and it was agreed to make a formal complaint to HCC regarding the refusal of a weight limit. The Clerk reported that the litter bin by the Church is not always being emptied by NFDC. She will monitor the situation.

Clerk to make a formal complaint to HCC.

Clerk to liaise with Groundsman re. litter bin emptying.

169.ii **Speedwatch**, training will be arranged.

169.iii **Woodlands Road dog waste bin**, Cllr Penman will follow this up with the Dog Warden.

169.iv **CIL application** –the decision to allocate £1329.44 - the CIL money received in October 2023 - to to incidental expenses associated with the installation of a crossing on Ringwood Road, Netley Marsh with any surplus allocated to refurbishment/replacement of the Multiplay equipment at the Community Hall play area was ratified.

170. Members Report

170.i **Woodlands Community Hall** including Solar, WIFI and CCTV options; Cllr Johnstone reported that wifi would be installed soon and that the whole scheme is progressing well. An application for grant assistance will be sent to the Council soon. The solar scheme exporting 9.46kw (8.68kw actual) has received DNO approval. The Hall Committee feel that the CCTV installation will be primarily of benefit to the Parish Council.

170.ii **Land Registry** enquiry re ownership of the Community Hall building suggests the Parish Council own the hall building as well as the land, but it is not entirely clear and the solicitors have been asked to look at this and report.

170.iii **Re. 170.ii** to consider necessity of building changes permission, awaiting the grant application and clarification on ownership from the solicitors.

170.iv **Grant application**; awaited.

170.v **Land Registry** complaint the **Clerk is preparing this.**

170.vi **Gate** –lighting and locking system, it is understood this will be part of the Hall proposals.

- 170.vii **Play area, gym**, wet pour update. The interim inspection will take place by the end of January. In terms of the wet pour the Clerk was asked to negotiate with VitaPlay with a budget of £2000.00 with a view to a decision being finalised at the February meeting.

Clerk to liaise with VitaPlay

- 170.viii **Recreation Ground**, moles, benches, fencing, signage. Moles an invoice had been received and paid with the January payments. Signage is ongoing. The Clerk will liaise with the groundsman regarding benches and noticeboards.

Clerk to liaise with Groundsman

- 170.ix **Noticeboards**, noting to report.
170.x **Outlook** – articles for Spring 2024. Ditches in general and Riparian responsibilities in particular to be included. Requests for those willing to help in emergency situations, with regard to equipment owned and insurance cover. Mobility items available from Cllr Penman. The Clerk is liaising with TLC over timing of the spring edition.

Clerk to prepare article and confirm copy date.

- 170.xi **Conservation Review** Cllr Haysom and Cllr Johnstone will meet to sort some details and a further meeting is arranged for 7 February.
170.xii Councillors **Solar Farm visit**, this had been very interesting. The site is very discreet,, though pylons to enable export to the grid are now installed. Biodiversity was an important part of the scheme with local groups monitoring butterfly and insect populations and sheep grazing to keep the grass down.
170.xiii **NFALC EGM** and proposals for the future a meeting is to be held on 18 January.
170.xiv **Emergency Planning & Resilience Focus** Group 9th January. Cllr Haysom reported. Parish Councils are expected to have information on who can help when emergencies happen, eg. if trees come down, who locally has the necessary machinery, insurance and willingness to help. Where can sandbags be accessed? It was agreed Cllr Haysom and the Assistant Clerk will work on this and prepare an article for Outlook.

Cllr Haysom and Assitant Clerk to liaise Assistant Clerk to contact BHIB

171. **Footpaths and Bridleways** including footpath 2 and 5. Nothing to report.
172. **172.i Lengthsman Review** outstanding tasks/invoice. Work has been completed. The invoice received, authorized for Wellow PC to pay from the Lengthsman account. The invoice for the car park weed killing will be forwarded to the RFO.
172.ii **Flooding** had been a problem in various parts of the parish but the Lengthsman had not been able to help in specific cases. It was agreed to highlight the problem of ditch/culvert clearance in Outlook. Also to write to all properties with odd numbers between the property previously known as Spot in the Wood and Lanesbridge – so properties on the west side of the road, requesting confirmation that their ditches and culverts are clear or asking for confirmation that the work will be carried out as soon as possible and in any case by the end of February. A similar letter to be sent to Tatchbury Hospital. Any failure to carry out the work will be referred to the Ordinary Watercourses department at HCC. Cllr Babey had asked the Chairman about the Flood Committee, flooding issues are now considered by the whole council.

Clerk to send letters to properties in Woodlands Road including the property at the corner of Woodlands Road by the cattle grid with the new green fence where ditches have been filled in.

Clerk to send letter to Tatchbury Hospital

173. **Groundsman** work is all in hand.
174. **Southern Water** local sewage issues, contact. Cllr Tipp will be asked about this at the next meeting.
175. **HCC Property Flood Resilience** – properties at risk. This will be considered with the emergency planning and the article for Outlook.

Cllr Haysome and the Assistant Clerk to work on this

176. **Climate Science report** Cllr Johnstone will circulate this.

177. **Clerks Report**

Precept application submitted by email and on paper. **Email Account** completed. It was agreed the Assistant Clerk could delete her old personal nmmpc email account.

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

HCC	Mineral & waste plan consultation	Noted
HCC	Future services consultation	Councillors were recommended to read and respond to this important consultation

179. **Financial matters**

179.i **Expenditure** the following were agreed.

Detail	Details	Net	VAT	Gross
	Online Jan			-
TLC Inv 2321-I 3rdquarter 3rd payment	Online Jan	15.00		15.00
Marcus Burt Groundsman	Online Jan	270.00		270.00
H Lawrence	Online Jan	414.75		414.75
R Cooper	Online Jan	292.10		292.10
Forest Pest Control	Online Jan	90.00		90.00
	Total uncleared above			1,081.85

179.ii Bank Reconciliation Current Account had been checked and agreed, balance £2,953.24, Savings Ac balance £42,324.79.

179.iii Risk assessments The Clerk will update these prior to audit.

Clerk to update risk assessments

180. **Parish Matters**

176.i **Annual Parish Meeting** – speaker, suggestions are needed and decision must be made at the February meeting. The usual invitations will be sent out.

177. **Councillors' items** Cllr Haysom reported that the spot in the Wood has changed its name.

177. **Confidential**, No matters were taken.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

Clerk to the Council to: All Members of the Council

Next meeting Wednesday 21 February 2024 at 7.45 pm Woodlands Community Hall

Signed:

date: 21 February 2024