

NETLEY MARSH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Netley Marsh Community Hall, on 18 June 2025

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

In attendance: Cllr Reilly, one member 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 Haysom, Cllr Penman and Cllr Tipp and reasons given accepted.

50. **Public Participation** – The resident present raised the issue of flooding in the area of Ringwood Road/Tatchbury Lane. The recent storm led to flooding again. It would appear the culverts are blocked again. Water now goes into the ditches at the back of the properties along the south side of Ringwood Road and these ditches are inadequate for the volume of water. Driveways were also flooded again. The problem appears to be with the properties above right down to Priestlands Close. Water is backing up. Does this contribute to the problems in Priestlands Close. However, it was noted that the culvert near the car wash has had larger pipes installed. It was agreed the Clerk will contact HCC Highways again.

Clerk to contact HCC Highways

51. **Declaration of Interests** there were none.

52. **Approval of minutes of 21 May 2025**

The minutes of the main and confidential meetings having been circulated were agreed subject to the following amendment – minute number 09, line 11 Footpaths, in the third column delete Cllr Cook, insert Cllr Smith.

The minutes were then signed by the Chairman.

53. **Planning**

Planning and appeal decisions from NFNPA and NFDC were noted.

The following decisions were for forwarding by the Clerk to NFNPA/NFDC as necessary.

Appl no	Address	Proposals	Comment
25/00507FU LL	Silverdale, Priestlands Close, Woodlands, Southampton, SO40 7GD	Front porch replacement & extension; conservatory extension & roof replacement; 2no. roof lights; window & door alterations; cladding; render	I. Permission providing the proposals meet the 30% rule, then accept officers decision.
25/00210FU LL	Border Cottage, The Crescent, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7AQ	Outbuilding extension and alteration	I. Permission with the following provisos, but accept officers decision. Recommended a condition be imposed stating the proposals may not be used for habitable accommodation, also the planning department to check the proposals meet DP37.

Clerk to send comments to NFNPA/NFDC and request extension re appl 00659

54. **County, National Park & District Matters**

Cllr Reilly advised the meeting that the roll out of the first stage of the new refuse collection service had gone well. CIL grant applications are now open with an additional CIL Strategic fund also being

available. New regulations are being introduced regarding making planning committees smaller and members being better trained. This to be an item on the next agenda.

Cllr Welbourn mentioned the issue of lack of delivery of rubbish sacks in the Loperwood area, Cllr Reilly will follow this up.

55. **Matters Arising**

Ringwood Road: see minute 50 above.

56. **Members Report**

56.i Community Hall – Cllr Johnstone had advised the committee of the CIL application process, noted.

56.ii Outlook magazine – Summer issue complete, delivered and invoiced. No comments had been received about the issue of making the magazine mainly digital. Cllr Johnstone will report on Royal Mail delivery costs. A final decision on the issue will be on the next agenda.

56.iii Conservation Area Review Working Group - Cllr Cook has a meeting with NFNPA 23 June. Cllr Merrill has withdrawn from the working group, noted.

57. **Footpaths and Bridleways** no matters to report. It was noted that HCC had not requested our priority list for 2025, agreed Clerk to contact them about this.

Clerk to contact HCC Rights of Way

58. **Bartley Village Hall** It was agreed the Clerk would send an introductory message to the hall committee introducing Cllr Johnstone as the NMPC liaison, copy Cllr Johnstone into the correspondence.

Clerk to contact the Bartley Hall Committee.

59. **Lengthsman** car park weed-killing during the school summer holiday confirmed. It is hoped that residents will report on grips near their properties following the article in Outlook. The Lengthsman will then be asked to clear grips as necessary.

60. **Groundsman**

60.i Work to do and update on work already agreed. Much wood treatment work has been done, but some remains. Mr Burt has met the new appointee and will hand over keys by the end of June.

60 ii Following the interview, it was recommended that Andy Tyler be appointed as the Groundsman, with a three month probationary period, agreed. He is available for the Playground Inspection Training on 26 June at Fawley and this has been booked, invoice awaited. It was agreed he will be asked to reimburse the Council for the training fee should he leave the Council within 12 months of his appointment which will start on 1 July. He will be asked to submit an invoice for the hours spent with Mr Burt and for the Play Inspection training and then monthly - £200/retainer and £20/hour for additional work. Materials at cost with receipts. Mileage for the Play inspection training will be paid at the usual rate.

Clerk to confirm arrangements with new Groundsman

Clerk to thank previous Groundsman

61. **CIL** Following discussion it was agreed to put in an expression of interest to the CIL Strategic Fund re. a crossing on the A336. **RFO to liaise with Cllr Cook and contact NFDC**

62. **Clerks Report**

62.i **Meeting day:** The Hall Secretary had asked if the Council could move its meetings to a Thursday due to another booking enquiry. Following discussion it was felt the meetings had been advertised, other representatives attend on a regular basis to report to the Council and meetings were arranged to fit in with other meetings these representatives were committed to. As far as is known the Parish Council has always met on the 3rd Wednesday except for December and residents are aware of this. The Council did not feel able to agree to the request.

Clerk to advise the Hall Secretary.

62.ii The RFO reported she had been advised to have occupational glasses and requested assistance with the cost, agreed to give £100.00

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

Resident	Footpath under A326	Clerk to contact HCC Rights of Way.
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64. **Financial matters**

64.i **Expenditure**

Detail	Details	Net	VAT	Gross
Gardeners South Inv 4067 30 April	Online	427.00	85.40	512.40
TLC web maint inv 2669 Outlook Inv2667	Online	375.00		375.00
Marcus Burt	Online	515.75		515.75
Clear Insurance	Online	744.52		744.52
Comm Heartbeat Trust defib parts inv 26435	Online	16.95	3.39	20.34
Julie Twining	Online	899.86		930.01
Ros Cooper	Online	510.46		510.46
Lloyds Bank monthly fee	Auto payment on Lloyds ac	4.25		4.25
Woodlands Pre-School donation re APM	Online	50.00		50.00
HMRC - paye-JT £588.20+NI 253.77	Online	1,629.53		1,629.53
paye RC £668.8 NI £118.76				
The Gardeners South inv 4122		327.00	65.40	392.40
	Total uncleared above			5,684.66

64.ii The addition of a payment to Earth Anchors for the fixing materials for the benches was noted and agreed, it will be listed on the July payments list.

65. **Parish Matters**

65.i **No overnight Parking sign** – agreed to order the sign with green writing on white background. Screw fixing, sign to be outside the gate.

Clerk to order sign

65.ii Cllr Merrill raised the subject of the **new developments** in the north of the parish and suggest the Council should consider the implications of these for the Council. Cllr Cook will circulate some suggestions and this will be an item on future agendas.

65.iii Cllr Johnstone reported the possibility of a visit to a local **Speedwatch** scheme, an interested local resident will be included. Cllr Johnstone will circulate details.

65.iv Cllr Shaw gave apologies for the July meeting.

66. **Confidential** – No matters were taken.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

Clerk to the Council to: All Members of the Council

Next meeting Wednesday 16 July 2025 at 7.00 pm Woodlands Community Hall

Signed: date: 16 July 2025