



NRS&NMHPC

Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish Council

Three villages, one community

No. 247

Tuesday 3rd March 2020
Village Hall, Newton Regis

Present: Cllr. D. Waithman (DW) (Chair)
Cllr. G. Hunt (GH) (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. S. Wilson (SW)
Cllr. R. Thirlby (RT)
Cllr. M. Ruston (MR)
County Cllr. D. Parsons (DP)
Mrs N. Allton (Clerk) (NA)
9 x Parishioner

The meeting commenced at 7:32pm

1. Apologies for Absence: Borough Cllr. D. Humphries, Borough Cllr. M. Humphries, Cllr. D. Cox, Police **Action**
Not Present: None

2. Police Items – None. Beat Officer is PC Andrew Timmins.

3. Open Forum- Parishioners of Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish are invited to address the council on any relevant matter for a maximum of three minutes per person.

Covered in item 16.

- i) DP met with the Police Commissioner. Police are hoping to have an overnight presence in Atherstone soon. DP enquired about sending the speed check van to our area as it has been a long time since one was in the area. Clerk to contact Commissioner to request the van. DP apologised for irregular attendance at PC meetings, but Borough meetings clash. **Clerk**
- ii) Mr Horobin has established that a misaligned waste pipe in the ditch has contributed to flooding on Kings Lane. Who is responsible for repairs? DP to meet with Mr Horobin to look at site. **Clerk/DP**
- iii) James Daw has extended an invitation to the Open Gardens committee and Parish Council to visit his farm.
- iv) Mrs Radbourne asked if the Parish Council had objected to PAP/2020/0020. DW answered that we had. Clerk provided contact details to Mrs Radbourne for Borough Cllr. D Humphries to enquire whether decision will be delegated or go to the Planning Board.
- v) Thorpe Land Agent Mr Brierley is looking at alternate sites around the village that would help Borough Council meet it's 5 year requirement for development land.
- vi) Mr Walsh asked whether there was a regular sports team using the playing field. DW reported that Tamworth Cricket Club played on the field each week during the season. Mr Walsh asked whether a putting green or other facility could be installed at the playing field. The playing field has a No Golf by-law.
- vii) Mr Walsh asked if bollards could be installed on the verge outside the primary school to alleviate parking problems. DW explained that it is County Highways responsibility and that the PC has requested a solution on several occasions but nothing has come of it. DP to meet with Mr Walsh to look at the parking problems. **DP**
- viii) An enquiry was made whether the Appleby Magna Cricket Club Juniors could use the cricket nets. They belong to ANJRCC. Still awaiting decision from ANRJCC regarding equipment disposal. **Clerk/DW**
- ix) Mrs Porter to contact the Clerk about purchasing a bench for the children's play area. **Clerk**
- x) An accident occurred on Austrey Lane, NMH due to the mud on the road. Parishioner can contact James Daw (Farmer) via Thorpe Estate office.

4. Declarations of interest – None

5. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meetings – 14th January 2020 – signed.

6. Matters Arising:-

- i) Strimmer - still out of stock - ongoing. **DW**
- ii) Community Speed Aware - Briefing held on 3 March 2020. **DW/All**
- iii) Playground equipment - Hammerite was recommended to paint the equipment when the weather is drier. **DW/All**
- iv) Quotation received to improve drainage across the play area - on hold.
- v) Levelling of track alongside the Village Hall - on hold.
- vi) Church Wall - partially collapsed. Church insurance company to assess.

7. Planning matters: proposed development sites, recent decisions.

a) Applications:

- i) PAP/2020/0010 - Del Close, No Man's Heath - Two storey extension and electric gate - no objection
- ii) PAP/2020/0012 - 2 St. Marys Grove, Newton Regis - Side extension and dormer roof - no objection
- iii) PAP/2020/0020 - Land NW of Newton Regis Village Hall - Nine dwellings - objection
- iv) PAP/2020/0021 - Kings Gambit, St. Marys Grove - Vehicle access, driveway, fence - no objection
- v) PAP/2020/0057 - The Old Rectory, Ashby Road, No Man's Heath - Erection of storage building - no objection
- vi) PAP/2020/0074 - The Cottage, Ash Lane, NMH - Double garage - no objection

b) Determined:

- i) PAP/2019/0533 - Granted - Change of use, barn to dwelling, Austrey Lane, NMH
- ii) PAP/2019/0632 - Granted - Alterations to vehicular access, The Hillfield, Seckington
- iii) PAP/2019/0598 - Granted - Extension, Clifton Road, NMH
- iv) PAP/2019/0597 - Granted - Extension over garage, Clifton Road, NMH
- v) PAP/2019/0560 - Granted - Extension and garage, Duncroft, NMH

c) Amendments/Re-consultation/Appeals: None.

8. Financial matters: bank balances, cheques for signature, cheques raised since last meeting & expected bills.

o	General Account	£207.85
o	Playing Field Account	£326.00
o	Deposit Account	£5,836.79
o	Reserve Account	£6,010.55
		£12,155.81

❖ **Cheques for Signature:**

•	3.3.20 Newton Regis Village Hall - Room Hire 3.3.20 (#1150)	£26.00
•	3.3.20 WALC - Training for Cllr Cox and Cllr. Waithman (#1152)	£30.00
•	3.3.20 Gareth Johnson Contracting - Hedge cutting (#488)	£240.00

❖ **Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:**

•	27.1.20 South Staffs Water Business (#487)	£100.73
•	31.1.20 N Allton – Clerk's Salary Jan 20 (SO)	£185.12
•	29.2.20 N Allton – Clerk's Salary Feb 20 (SO)	£185.12

❖ **Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting**

•	24.1.20 VAT Repayment - HMRC	£3,023.22
•	1.2.20 Newton Regis Tennis Club - Water	£5.60
•	1.2.20 Newton Regis Village Hall - Water	£78.35
•	1.2.20 Thistle Bowls Club - Water	£11.18
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9. Playing Field

- i) Work has started on rolling the field but the roller was soon bogged down until the grass dries out.
- ii) Standing water on play area. Safety matting with need jet washing once dry.

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10. J11 Liaison Meeting

MR attended the meeting in January. The next meeting is planned for March. Pipe laying has begun on the Ashby Road and A444.

11. Online Training

- i) DW attended training - an updated code of conduct and enforcement procedures will come into force later this year.
- ii) Online training is available via the WALC website. Councillors and Clerk to register interest as needed.

12. Speed gun safety briefing

The briefing took place on 3 March 2020.

13. VE Day Celebrations

The Parish Council is not organising any events, but GH to liaise with the Queen's Head pub.

GH

14. Correspondence – None that hasn't been dealt with by email.

15. Business, which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered as a matter of urgency under section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

None.

16. Confirmation Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 21 April 2020 at No Man's Heath Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 20.40

Chairman
 Cllr D Waithman
 Date