



# NRS&NMHPC

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

*Three villages, one community*

## No. 246

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
Village Hall, No Man's Heath

**Present:**

Cllr. D. Waithman	(DW) (Chair)
Cllr. G. Hunt	(GH) (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. S. Wilson	(SW)
Cllr. D. Cox	(DC)
Cllr. M. Ruston	(MR)
Borough Cllr. D. Humphries	(DH)
Borough Cllr. M. Humphries	(MH)
Mrs N. Allton (Clerk)	(NA)
4 x Parishioner	

### The meeting commenced at 7:28pm

**1. Apologies for Absence:** Borough Cllr. M. Humphries, Cllr. R. Thirlby, Police **Action**  
**Not Present:** County Cllr. D. Parsons

**2. Police Items – None.** Clerk to find out contact details for new Beat Officer. **Clerk**

**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) Mrs Greatorex of Newton House Farm – has noticed flooding seems worse than in the previous 4 years. A pipe was laid in the ditch and Highways have rodded the drains, but still flooding. Will look into having a drainage survey undertaken.

ii) Hames Lane – the damaged tarmac has been repaired and flooding appears to have improved. There is still some standing water on Hames Lane. DW to contact Highways. **DW**

iii) Mrs. Porter requested permission to site a bench in the children's playground. Granted to install at the toddler end of the play area. Parish Council to take responsibility for maintenance.

iv) Mr. Horobin reported that no date has been set for a meeting about Open Gardens – ongoing.

v) Mr. Walsh asked whether there was any progress on the Community Speed Check – ongoing with DC. **DC**

vi) Mr. Leete of the Old Post Office requested permission to maintain the railings outside his property. GH to liaise with him. **GH**

vii) Mr. Walsh has suggested that a group of representatives from around Newton Regis meet 3 times a year. GH to add an article to News and Views.

**4. Declarations of interest – None**

**5. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meetings – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – signed.**

#### **6. Matters Arising:-**

i) Table Tennis – ongoing. DC to check for funding at Community Fund and ECB. **DC**

ii) Mrs O'Connors email provided to the councillors for submitting Village Voice articles.

iii) Playing Field – Many thanks to the Hepple family for the donation and installation of a memorial bench.

iv) No contact to date from Appleby Magna Cricket Club regarding use of the training facilities.

v) Strimmer purchase – currently out of stock but on order. **DW**

vi) Community Speed Check – DC to follow up with PCSO Fretter and 8-10 volunteers. **DC**

vii) MR to report back after J11 Development Liaison meeting on Thursday. **MR**

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

##### **a) Applications:**

i) P<sup>AP</sup>/2019/0632 – The Hillfield, Ashby Rd, Seckington – Alteration to vehicular access. – no objections.

ii) P<sup>AP</sup>/2019/0619 – Newton Farm – Erection of one dwelling. – Objection.

iii) P<sup>AP</sup>/2020/0001 – Warren Farm – Change of Use from container store to bungalow. – Objection.

##### **b) Determined:**

i) P<sup>AP</sup>/2018/0473 – Newton House – granted.

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

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

<b>expected bills.</b>		
○	<b>General Account</b>	<b>£284.09</b>
○	<b>Playing Field Account</b>	<b>£326.00</b>
○	<b>Deposit Account</b>	<b>£4,186.79</b>
○	<b>Reserve Account</b>	<b>£5,010.55</b>
		<b>£9,807.43</b>
❖	<b><u>Cheques for Signature:</u></b>	
○	14.1.20 Cllr. D.Waithman - Weedkiller, (#484)	£5.00
○	14.1.20 M. Draper – Weed n feed, mower blade (#485)	£45.35
○	14.1.20 A. Passey – Playground maintenance (#486)	£245.00
○	14.1.20 NMH Village Hall – Room Hire (#1145)	£15.00
○	14.1.20 SLCC – Annual Membership (#1146)	£78.00
○	14.1.20 ALCC – Annual Membership (#1147)	£40.00
○	14.1.20 N. Allton – Defibrillator pads for NMHVH & stamps (#1148)	£68.26
○	14.1.20 Queen’s Head Newton Regis – 2 x vouchers (#1149)	£100.00
❖	<b><u>Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:</u></b>	
○	30.11.19 N Allton – Clerk’s Salary November 19 (S.O.)	£185.12
○	31.12.19 N Allton – Clerk’s Salary December 19 (S.O.)	£185.12
❖	<b><u>Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting</u></b>	
○	9.1.20 Interest Dec+Jan	£0.74
○	13.12.19 Warwickshire County Council – Councillor’s Grant	£1,500.00

### 9. Playing Field

- i) Playground is waterlogged. Matting needs cleaning once dry. All
- ii) The old playground equipment needs re-painting. DH to enquire which paint is best for painting the equipment. DH
- iii) Water Bill – the estimated bill was £193, but an accurate bill for £100 has been re-issued.
- iv) The playing field is water logged.
- v) ANJRCC – still waiting to hear what they want to do with their equipment at the field.

### 10. Carpark at Newton Regis Village Hall

- i) Standing water on the carpark following heavy rains. Needs improvement to the drainage. Money may be available from Thorpe once the Manor Farm development is completed.
- ii) Many thanks to Mark Baker and son for re-filling the potholes. Current stock of stone has been used up. More to be ordered as required.
- iii) SW to contact James Daw to find if the track can be levelled in order to drive the roller down from the top of the playing field. SW

### 11. Christmas / New Year Events

- i) **Christmas Light Switch-On** – This was a low-key event last year. DC would like to organise a switch-on this year and will try to get the Primary school children on board, once the new Headteacher is in post. DC to enquire if the Church can be used as a base for mulled wine etc. Date proposed – 6 December 2020. DC  
It was noted that the residential Christmas lights around Newton Regis looked very good this year.
- ii) **Goose walk** – the event wasn’t as widely advertised as in previous years, but turn out was still good. A contingency plan is needed for heating the soup for next year’s walk. GH to liaise with Queen’s Head Pub regarding starting and finishing the walk at their carpark. GH

### 12. Newton Regis

- i) **Proposed Bulb Planting** – Mr. Walsh purchased bulbs from the Garden Store sale. He sold the unwanted ones at a car boot sale and the remainder of the cost was funded by donations from the residents. Half of Newton Regis has been planted with 13,000 bulbs.
- ii) **Dog Fouling** – there have been a number of recent incidents. Please report to any councillors if you see anyone not picking up their dog mess. DC to ask Mark Kennell to re-spray dog fouling stencils on the pavements. DC

### 13. Litter

- i) **Litter Picking Dates** – 1 February, 13 June, 17 October.
- ii) **Litter around lanes including No Man’s Heath** - DH to check what criteria is needed to trigger a litter pick by NWBC. DC to also contact Mark Kennell. DH/ DC

### 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.

- i) Playing field – quote for moss spraying £260. All agreed.
- ii) DC was approached as to whether a Jack and Margaret Rutherford memorial bench would be welcome. All agreed in principal. Location to be agreed.
- iii) J11 Liaison Group – meeting on Thursday
- iv) Book training for DC and DW.
- v) No Man’s Heath Village Hall improvements have made a huge difference to the hall. The Village Hall committee have met to move forward with bookings and events. VH Committee to ensure that Cllr. Ruston is made aware of meeting dates and invited to attend. Clerk to contact Anne Campbell.
- vi) VE Day Celebrations – carried over to next meeting.

**16. Confirmation Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 3 March 2020 at Newton Regis Village Hall.**

The meeting closed at 21.40

Chairman	.....
Cllr D Waithman	.....
Date	.....