



# NRS&NMHPC

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

*Three villages, one community*

## No. 262

Tuesday 2 August 2022  
All Saints Church, Seckington

**Present:** Cllr. D. Waithman (DW) (Chair)  
Cllr. G. Hunt (GH) (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr. D. Cox (DC)  
Cllr. S. Wilson (SW)  
Cllr. R. Thirby (RT)  
Cllr. M. Ruston (MR)  
Mrs N. Allton (Clerk) (NA)

Public: 5 x residents

The meeting commenced at 7:30pm

1. **Apologies for Absence:** County Cllr. D Humphries (DH), County Cllr. M. Humphries (MH)

**Not Present:** Police.

2. **Police Items** - Sgt. Skelsey - wouldn't be able to pass on details of traveller movements to the parish council.

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.**

- a) Mr Arnold reported intermittent flooding on the corner of the No Man's Heath to Austrey lane. The ditch has been cleaned, but water can't get under the road. Mr Arnold has reported to WCC. On list but not yet done. **DW** will contact Mike Newham. **DW**
- b) Mr Walsh - thanked the PC for helping facilitate the payment from Cameron Homes to fund News and Views. 250 magazines across the 3 villages. 1 Sept and 1 December. Have put in article asking for responses about facilities residents would like to see at the playing field and any other suitable locations. Speeding - this is a problem in all 3 villages. Lount has new road markings on the entrance to the village. Mr Arnold requested that PC look at the style of these markings and pursue the installation of something similar at the entrances to Newton Regis. DW also suggested Mr Walsh contacts Highways as a resident. Parish Council will look at the markings at Lount and will also contact MH for suggestions/funding. **GH**
- c) Mr Powell has requested NWBC send a road sweeper through Church Lane, Seckington, something that had not happened. Mr Powell contacted NWBC about the smell from the drains again with no response but Mike Newham from County Highways attended and did not find a problem. Mr Powell is unhappy with the resolution. Gulley emptying - PC to check who is the appropriate Authority to approach. **DW** **Clerk** **DW**

4. **Declarations of interest** – None

5. **Minutes of the last Parish Council Meetings – 21 June 2022** – agreed and signed.

6. **Matters Arising:-**

- i) **Lay-by** - nothing new to add.
- ii) **Defibrillator at No Man's Heath Village Hall** - Clerk contacting Tamworth Have A Heart charity to ask them to take on responsibility of the defib. **Clerk**

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

- a) **Applications: None**
- b) **Determined: PAP/2021/0664 - Newton Lodge, Kings Lane** - outline planning for 3 dwellings - granted
- c) **Amendments/Re-consultation/Appeals: PAP/2019/0374 - Old Hall Farm, Orangerie** - withdrawn.

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

○ <b>General Account</b>	<b>£247.59</b>
○ <b>Playing Field Account</b>	<b>£288.07</b>
○ <b>Deposit Account</b>	<b>£6,273.22</b>
○ <b>Reserve Account</b>	<b>£6,013.35</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£12,822.23</b>

Allocated to:

Duckpond project      £2,045.00

<b><u>Cheques for Signature after the meeting:</u></b>		
2.8.22	Seckington Church - Room Hire (#1243)	£25.00
2.8.22	Sure-Track Europe Ltd - Annual monitoring fee (#552)	£144.00
2.8.22	Smith of Derby Ltd - Final clock repairs	£3,620.40
<b><u>Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:</u></b>		
30.6.22	N Allton - Salaries June 22(SO)	£192.95
12.7.22	N Power Commercial Gas - Unmetered supply (#1240)	£74.85
24.7.22	Source for Business - Playing Field Water (#1241)	£365.55
27.7.22	Sign Cast - Plaque for may tree (#1242)	£282.00
31.7.22	N Allton - Salaries July 22 (SO)	£192.95
<b><u>Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting</u></b>		
29.6.22	Donation to clock fund - A. Walsh	£50.00
29.6.22	Donation to duck pond fund - C. Griffiths	£130.00
24.7.22	NR Tennis Club - playing field water	£2.45
27.7.22	NR Village Hall - playing field water	£104.76
20.6.22	Interest - July	£0.14

**9. Village Issues**

**a) Newton Regis**

- i) DC reported that the footpath from Kings Lane to Hames Lane is covered in dog mess. All agreed that a reminder sign sign is needed. DW will look for the Seckington Lane sign, if not will get a new warning sign printed and install near the problem area.
- ii) At bottom of Hames Lane, highways have cut half of it where it is a green lane, but footpaths have not cut their part. **DW** to report to County Footpaths. **DW**
- iii) Damaged post near duckpond has been damaged again. Cameron Homes have agreed to help with costs of improving the fenced area. **DW** will ask Highways to repair the post if the Cameron option is unsuccessful. **DW**
- iv) DW has found a contact at Bowls Club and the Tennis club.

**b) Seckington** - nothing current to report. **GH**

**DW**

**c) No Man's Heath** - Salt St. - no progress. GH to find out where large concrete blocks can be sourced from. DW to find a contact at HS2.

**10. Playing Field**

- a) Electrical problems with the tractor. Still able to use, but will leave repairs until winter season.
- b) Playground inspection forms - please hand to DW. **DW**

**11. Playing Field Security**

After talking to the head of the Junior Cricket Club, who is also a Police Inspector, advises that he has found that the most effective way to deter travellers from entering a carpark is to install a height barrier but to be aware that no solution is 100% proof. **DW** to find prices. **DW**

**12. Speed Aware**

DC reported that PC Simon Ackroyd has said that the site outside no. 10 Main Road can be used but that by the duckpond can't. DW checked on Google Earth and the opposite appeared to be the case. DC to contact PC Ackroyd to come back and confirm the correct site to use. **DC**

**13. Duckpond** - Cameron Homes Health and Safety policy and insurance would not allow them to complete work off their site, so they will not be able to use their equipment to clean out the duckpond. GH has contacted their marketing manager to find out how much money they will actually donate to the costs. GH awaiting price from Headsquare for the cleaning work. There are 3 stages. - remove the fish, then the water, then clean out the bottom. Need to find a place to keep the fish tanks for over a week. Work will go ahead this year. **GH**

**14. Correspondence**  
None.

**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** - 20 September 2022 at Newton Regis Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 21:00

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