



# Minutes of the Parish Council meeting

**Date** Tuesday 20th September 2016 **Commencing** 7pm **Venue** Clubroom

**Present Chairman** June James **Vice Chairman** Paul Gaskell

**Councillors** John Ashworth, Ann Blyth, Gareth Wilson

**Nately Scures Committee** Nick Walker; **Clerk** Susan Turner; **Guests** PC Reid, Paul Allison

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Richard Wilson, Monica Wardrop, Ward & County Councillors

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** NONE

## **3 PC REID'S REPORT**

### **3.1 Reported incidents in the Parish since last meeting**

- 23.08 Cow loose in Crown Lane
- 26.08 Dangerous driving A30 Nately Scures
- 02.09 Box in carriageway A30 Nately Scures
- 13.09 Car in bushes A30 Water End.

### **3.2 Reported crime in the Parish since last meeting**

#### Newnham

1 x possession of drugs; 1 x non-dwelling burglary

#### Nately Scures

1 x burglary dwelling (hotel room)  
3x domestic assault (one at hotel)  
1 x theft of car (hotel) 1 x theft of watch (hotel).

**3.3 A30 Motorcycle speed and noise** PC Reid advised contacting Herriard who also have issues with motorcycle speed and noise on the A339 (see 12.2 Motorcycles on Scures Hill).

**4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** of 19th July 2016, agreed and signed.

**5 PUBLIC SESSION** The Chairman welcomed guests to the meeting.

**5.1** Paul Allison of Water End Park explained that he was to lose a considerable part of his garden – that came with his property when purchased – due to the Park owner redefining the Park boundary. Mr Allison is being advised by NAPHR (National Association of Park Home Residents) a voluntary association giving advice to Residential Park Home Owners.

**5.2** Water End flood risk. Some recent-past discussion with Lord Malmesbury has been about trees and tree felling. Residents' major concern is flood risk, removing trees that take up moisture and the potential for debris to block the river culvert under the railway. Action: Paul Gaskell to monitor.

## **6 FINANCE**

### **6.1 Cheques** signed in between meetings

635	Roy Wood	Moles 21st June to 20th July 2016	£ 40.00
636	GVA Grimley Ltd	For Anthony Miller (pub viability)	£1,752.90
637	June James	Old House Green event - expenses	£ 40.50
638	Dale Ingram	Planning for Pubs Ltd (balance)	£690.50
639	Roy Wood	Moles 21st July to 20th Aug 2016	£ 40.00

### **6.2 Cheques** signed at the meeting

640	Clerk	Salary August & Sept 2016	£563.47
641	Clubroom	Donation 2016-17	£300.00
642	Poppy Appeal	Donation 2016-17	£20.00
643	BDO	External audit (2015/16)	£ 120.00

**6.3 External Audit** Notification from BDO of successful conclusion of External Audit for 2015/16 received on 14th September 2016.

**6.4 NALC's revised Model Finance Regulations 2016** Councillors agreed adoption.

## 7 PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 7.1 New applications

16/02772/LDPO (2nd August 2016) 6 Kingsbridge End, Old School Road, Newnham. Certificate of Lawfulness for Proposed Operation to change Hip roof to Gable for Loft Conversion using materials to match. *Parish Council has no objection*

16/02771/HSE (2nd August 2016) 6 Kingsbridge End, Old School Road, Newnham. Erection of lean-to side extension. *Parish Council has no objection.*

T/00262/16/TCA (8th July 2016) Fell one Holly and one Lime. The Pink House, Newnham Lane. *On inspection by the Parish tree warden, no Lime tree was evident at the site.*

16/02480/FUL (5th July 2016) Oakfield Farm Court, Scures Hill, Nately Scures. Erection of a detached house and garage (amended design to that approved under planning permission 13/01460/FUL). *Parish Council has no objection to this application nor the proposed extension to the residential curtilage. The amended design is considered an improvement.*

### 7.2 Applications pending

16/02187/FUL (16 June 2016) Nately Scures House, Scures Hill. Erection of 3 x four bed dwellings and garages including creation of new access onto the A30, and associated landscaping.

This is the first planning application for a new house registered with BDBC after the adoption of Local Plan. The Parish Council's agreed response was in line with Councillors' comments at 19th July meeting and included the Parish Planning Statement. The response confirmed – as for the second 'Land Adjoining Scures Hill House' application below – that Newnham Parish has no identified Local Housing Need. (Note: Highways require speed data re new access.)

16/01446/HSE and 16/01447/LBC (23rd May) Newnham Green Farm, Tylney Lane, Newnham. Erection of a two storey side extension and a two storey rear extension, following demolition of parts of existing building. *Awaiting results of bat surveys.*

16/01315/FUL (26th April 2016) The Old House At Home, Tylney Lane, Newnham. Change of Use A4 Public House to C3 Residential Dwellinghouse. *Agreed expiry date Friday 7th October.*

16/00097/OUT (13th January) Land Adjacent to Oakfield Farmhouse, Scures Hill. Outline planning application for three detached dwellings, including access. *The Parish Council noted that the statutory expiry date for this application was 9th March 2016; this would seem an unreasonable delay on the part of BDBC.*

### 7.3 Applications granted

T/00262/16/TCA (19th August, reg 8th July 2018) The Pink House, Newnham Lane. Fell one Holly and one Maple. *Parish Council had no objection.*

16/00742/FUL (12th August, reg 4th March) Highview Business Park, The Barracks. Demolition of existing buildings and erection of four x four-bedroomed dwellings and associated landscaping.

16/01206/FUL (20th July, reg 7th April) Land Adjoining Scures Hill, House Scures Hill, Nately Scures. Demolition of existing buildings and structures, and replacement with one detached two-storey dwelling with attached double garage together with pedestrian and vehicular access off existing shared access off Scures Hill.

The case officer's Report concluded:

*'...the proposal in this instance meets the aims of Policy SS6(e) however is in conflict with the 'local need' element of the policy and therefore cannot fully accord with it. The proposal is acceptable in respect of all other material considerations and no demonstrable harm would arise from the proposal. As such, the conflict with SS6(e) is outweighed by the benefits of the proposal and the development is recommended for approval.'*

## 8 HOOK PLANNING APPLICATIONS

16/02301/FUL Land off Hop Garden Road. Erection of a block of three stables to include a feed store and tack room and the change of use of the land to allow the keeping of horses.

This application by Flavia Estates who have an option on the land – and which also includes pedestrian access to join the existing footway – is causing concern in Hook as it is seen to be a means towards extending Flavia's access rights. However taken at face value it is beyond Newnham's remit to comment on this application.

## 9 HART LOCAL PLAN The Draft is scheduled to be published for consultation in October.

**10 OLD HOUSE AT HOME**

**11.0 Publicity** The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who contributed, helped, attended and faced the cameras on Saturday 6th August in order to highlight the plight of the Old House. We had a terrific turnout especially as we are right in the middle of the summer holiday season.

The *Basingstoke Gazette* of 11th August ran a full page with pictures – ‘Villagers unite to rescue pub’ which is what we’d hoped for. Importantly everyone seemed to have good fun in a common cause and a day that will be talked about and remembered.

The event was masterminded by artist ‘Bob & Roberta Smith’ (Patrick Brill) presenting for BBC 4, led by excellent musicians Les Zoings who style themselves as a ‘brass marching band unaffected by fame!’ and supported with thanks with beer and props from Andwell’s.

Our event seems a small (unique?) part of a groundswell across the country of groups, councils and individuals trying to protect their pubs.

Bob & Roberta’s BBC 4 ‘Protest’ documentary is scheduled to be screened in November.

**11.2 Business Plan** The latest draft of the Working Business Plan will be circulated for comment before submission to BDBC.

**11 LENGTHSMAN SCHEME** Jason Ebury started as Parish Lengthsman on 1st September.**12 TRAFFIC**

**12.1 A30 Petition** On 5th July County Cllr Rob Humby, Executive Member for Transport and the Environment, responded to the Residents’ petition of 5th April. His response essentially summarised the position as previously presented by Highways Officers to the Parish Council, mentioning the single-lane coning trial, the A & B road speed limit review, and the road surface inspections currently in place. He did say a ‘quiet surface’ would be considered if this section of the A30 was ‘prioritised for resurfacing’. Residents plan to respond as their concerns have not been fully addressed or not addressed at all.

**12.2 Motorcycles on Scures Hill** Reference Herriard – from the *Benefice Magazine August 2016 Edition for the parishes of Herriard with Winslade, Tunworth, Upton Grey and Weston Patrick*:

‘...Herriard Parish Council are very concerned re motor cycle traffic speed and noise on the A339 through Herriard village. It is a topic that arises every time the Parish Council meet. The situation has gone on for many years now, and is particularly bad on Sunday’s and Wednesday evenings. I know that a number of people have in the past contacted the 101 number to complain, but as little action appears to have been taken people complain amongst themselves and do not bother any more contacting the police.

Whilst we appreciate the efforts that have made on our behalf by Andy Reid, our local policeman, we would like to invite a Senior Police traffic officer to come to our next Parish Council meeting on the 5th of September so that he can explain to us what actions are planned to stop this public nuisance.’ Action Clerk to contact Herriard PC.

**12.3 Kingsbridge** Road safety at the Kingsbridge junction was raised as a concern by Mr Goddard from Kingsbridge End, due to speeding traffic.

Clerk’s email of 9th August

‘The Kingsbridge junction comes under Hook’s jurisdiction. Hook Parish Council has had a scheme lodged with Highways for a few years to change the priority at the triangle, so the ‘through road’ goes to Hook instead of Newnham. But there’s not been funding so far put towards it. But nothing I don’t think will happen with the junction until we know what’s happening to the proposed housing between Hook and Newnham. If that goes ahead all sorts of things may change!’

Email from Anne Atkins Hook Parish Clerk, 1st September 2016:

‘Thank you for copying me on your e-mail, which summarises the current situation... There are speed cameras on the road occasionally. You may recall e-mails in the past from disgruntled residents caught doing more than 30mph on the stretch from Hook to Old School Road. As you say, I doubt HCC will do anything until the West of Hook site has been decided on.’

Mr Buckland from St John’s Cottages has previously raised concerns regarding traffic from Hook speeding past the cottages. Mr Goddard’s concerns were regarding traffic from Newnham direction taking the junction too fast. Regarding the traffic calming in Newnham Road, the buildout currently positioned at the Clubroom was originally planned between Kingsbridge Copse and Old School Road, but moved due to residents’ objections. Action: Clerk to investigate a Speed Indicator Devise.’

- 13 NEWNHAM GREEN** Lengthsman Jason Ebury will clear the active length of ditch to the Crown Lane culvert. Partially clearing the pond by hand at end of November has also been discussed.
- 14 BARRACKS**
  - 14.1 Highview Business Park** Following approval of the housing application this plot is now for sale.
  - 14.2 Footpath** From the Old School Road footbridge, the footpath across the Common Land to the A30 is usually under water in wet weather. An application to the HCCCS (Countryside Access) Small Grants Scheme will be put together. Action: Paul Gaskell and Clerk.
- 15 FURTHER REPORTS** The Basing Ward by-election will take place on 6th October.
- 16 NEXT MEETING** Tuesday 22nd November, 7pm Clubroom.