Minutes of Nether Wallop Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Monday 10 September 2018 in the Village Hall

- **4214 Attendance:** Cllrs Addison, Cotterell, Mrs James, James and HCC Cllr Gibson, the Footpaths Officer and the Parish Clerk. There were two members of the public.
- **4215 Election of Chairman of the Meeting:** Cllr Mrs James was proposed by Cllr Cotterell and seconded by Cllr Addison with all in favour.
- **4216** Apologies: Cllrs Carpenter, Souter and TVBC Cllr Boulton.
- **4217 Declaration of councillors' pecuniary interests:** All councillors had no changes to declare.
- **4218 Planning applications:** Cllr Mrs James reported on the following:
 - a) 18/02019/LBWN Removal of granary, Farley Farm, Farley Street, no objection. Cllr Mrs James reported that this was viable in 2004 and is a listed building. However it was destroyed in a storm later on and left to decay and is now not in a fit state to repair. A letter has been received from a member of the public who was disappointed that it had been allowed to fall into such disrepair, this comment was endorsed by the council.
 - b) 18//02072/FULLN Loft conversion, including provision of master bedroom bay and dormer window, and porch alteration with new back door, Ashridge, Church Hill, no comments from neighbours had been received, no objection.
 - c) 18/02179/TREEN Re-pollard overhanging Pussy Willow to previous pruning points, Down Cottage, High Street, no comment.
 - d) 18/02214/FULLN Change of use from agricultural land to residential garden land, laying of hard surfaces (concrete pad, paths and patio) and installation of container used for domestic heating purposes for the storage of oil (retrospective), Green Gables Farm, Knockwood Lane, no comment. This is retrospective planning.
- **4219 Points from the floor:** none.
- **4220 Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of 9 July 2018 were approved by the council and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

4221 Councillors Reports:

- a) Neighbourhood Watch: Mrs Foster as NHW co-ordinator reported that there have been some incidents of theft in the village. However, she has had problems receiving the Hampshire Alerts from the police.
- b) Finance: The RFO has looked at the budget, with the precept of £13,000 in place the council would make a slight surplus of £1,000. Football income was not yet in. The village hall was almost self funding and to date had only made a slight loss of £238. She further reported on the attached financial statement for last month and requested approval of the payments proposed by Cllr Mrs James and seconded by Cllr Addison with all in favour. The book keeper explained that the two payments for electricity at the pavilion were up to December 2017 and then again in January June 2018 and were collected within two weeks of each other. As these were both estimated a reading is now being taken. Cllr James suggested that the bills could be plotted and would show a highlighted peak. The bank reconciliation showed a balance of £19,421 and was signed off by Cllr Mrs James.
- **d) Highways:** The Footpaths Officer reported on the clearing of the large drains by the contractor along Farley Street near the Nursing Home. He has tasked the Lengthman with clearing the drains along Wisdom Lane/Stockbridge turn off. Cllr James reported that the ditch along Bent Street and the culvert where Bent Street hits Farley Street could also be a problem.
- e) Playing Fields: Cllr Souter was in touch with the company who wish to erect a mobile telephone mast. Cllr Cotterell reported that quotes on the updating of play equipment are awaited (Action: Cllr Carpenter). Football teams wishing to use the playing fields have yet to successfully contact the councillor in charge.
- **Village Green:** Cllr Addison reported that the Green looked lovely and that a successful rounders match was held there at the weekend. The wooden bridge has not yet been done.

- **Village Hall:** Cllr Mrs James reported that following the clearing of ivy by parishioners the committee wished to render the adjoining wall. Cllr James reported that Mr Blandford would talk to the neighbours and quotes were being sought. Cllr Mrs James would follow this up (done).
- 4224 Wallops Parish Hall including discussing right of way claim leading to a resolution:

 Cllr Mrs James reported that the WPH management committee set up by Over Wallop and Nether Wallop Parish Councils to manage the running of the hall have requested that each council consider a resolution concerning a right of way claim way through the car park.

 Cllr Cotterell proposed 'that NWPC agrees to the action taken by the Chairman of OWPC and the WPH management committee in regard to receiving solicitors advice on the right of way claim on the land belonging to the WPH and wishes to instruct the solicitor to proceed as he has advised. The joint WPH management committee should continue to manage the affairs of the hall.' This was seconded by Cllr James with all in favour.
- 4225 Matters raised by councillors: Cllr Addison reported that the date for the Neighbourhood Planning meeting is changed to Wednesday 19 September. Cllr Cotterell thanked the Footpaths Officer for tasking the lengthman to clear the bus shelter at Jacks Bush. Once this was done he would look at posting appropriate advertisements. He noted the new tarmac at the Broughton crossroads which had no markings. HCC Cllr Gibson would mention this to Hants Highways.
- 4226 Points from the floor: HCC Cllr Gibson reported that the proposed cuts in expenditure does not place HCC in a good situation. He was very grateful to Nether Wallop for its kind gesture in providing refreshments at the recent Cycle Festival. Feedback from participants was that it was wonderful and a key positive for all. He wished to write a piece for the parish magazine and was given the address by Cllr Addison. Finally HCC Cllr Gibson wished to sponsor something in the village by way of a thank you. This would be an agenda item at the next meeting (Action: Parish Clerk). The Footpaths Officer reported that a contractor would be in the village rights of way within four weeks, a month later than predicted. He had had some correspondence with the developer at Farley Farm who has now cut back vegetation to the ground along the footpath.
- **4227 Date of next meeting:** The next monthly meeting will be held on Monday 8 October 2018 in the village hall at 7.30pm. The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.13 pm.