

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

4260 Attendance: Cllrs Addison, Carpenter, Cotterell, Mrs James and James, TVBC Cllr Boulton and the Parish Clerk. There was one member of the public.

4261 Apologies: Cllr Souter, HCC Cllr Gibson and the Footpaths Officer.

4262 Declaration of councillors' pecuniary interests: none.

4263 Planning applications: Cllr Carpenter reported on the following:-

- a) 18/02965/TELN Telecommunications prior notification for installation of 10m monopole with Omni antenna, a dish at 6m and wrap around cabinet, Land behind Sports Field, Aylwards Way. The closing date for comments was 6 December, but even if permission is granted the council as landowners would also have to be in agreement.
- b) 18/03092/TREEN T1 Holly - Reduce by up to 4m, reduce two branches projecting over western boundary by up to 3m; T2 Apple – Remove, Greensleeves, Heathman Street, no comment.
- c) 18/03191/LBWN Erection of porch and removal of internal walls to provide a better link between the sitting room and kitchen, 2 Sunnyside Cottage, Five Bells Lane. This is a listed building and a smaller more in keeping application than the previous one, no objection.
- d) 18/03190/FULLN Erection of porch, 2 Sunnyside Cottage, Five Bells Lane, no objection.

4364 Points from the floor: none.

4265 Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of 12 November 2018 were amended to read 'supported' rather than 'promoted' in item 4256 and then approved by the council and signed by the Vice Chairman as a true and accurate record.

4266 Councillors Reports:

- a) **Neighbourhood Watch:** There was nothing to report.
- b) **Finance:** Cllr Carpenter reported that he had signed off the playground equipment refurbishment project which looks good. The RFO presented the budget for next year. Two versions had been circulated to councillors. Over £3,000 has been spent on the playground this year whereas as last year's project was the pavilion. The reserves have now been used. The RFO suggested a high level budget in order to set up a maintenance fund for the village amenities bearing in mind that grants are now few and far between. This would mean the precept would rise from £13,500 to £20,200. After discussion it was unanimously agreed to have a ring fenced fund to maintain the village amenities. Cllr Carpenter proposed a precept of £20,200, this was seconded by Cllr Addison with all in favour. The RFO confirmed that this would mean the amount per house will rise from £35 per year to £45 per year ie the precept to rise by 31%. The bank reconciliation was signed off by Cllr Mrs James. The RFO reported that there may be a small deficit at the end of the financial year. An exceptional payment had been made to refurbish the playground equipment. The RFO further reported on payments and receipts as per the attached and it was proposed that these be approved by Cllr Mrs James and seconded by Cllr James with all in favour.
- c) **Highways:** Cllr James said that a report had been received from HCC Cllr Gibson, this would be posted on the website (**Action: Parish Clerk**). A response was requested (**Action: Cllr James**). It was proposed that the Parish Council agreed with Cllr Gibson's position in his HCC report that the Salisbury Lane traffic calming scheme should include the changes to the Grateley road junction.
- d) **Playing Fields:** Cllr Carpenter reported that a good job had been done clearing up after the fireworks. He was delighted with the playground refurbishment. Bark for the playground has not been ordered yet due to the wet weather and parishioners would be warned that the level was lower than usual (**Action: Cllr Mrs James**). Cllr Addison has sent round a note to invite football teams to play and would follow this up later on.

- 4267 Village Green:** Cllr Carpenter reported that Carols on the Green was the next event. Cllr Mrs James proposed that a cheque for a similar amount as last year be raised to pay the Lockerley Silver Band on the night. This was seconded by Cllr Carpenter with all in agreement.
- 4268 Village Hall:** Fundraising is taking place to sponsor the rendering of the outside boundary wall. On 4 January a documentary will be shown on Spitfires. Cllr Mrs James suggested that the licence be advertised to the organiser as the bar could bring in additional funds.
- 4269 Wallops Parish Hall:** A letter agreed by both Over and Nether Wallop Parish Councils has been sent by solicitors regarding a licenced right of way. Cllr Cotterell has set up a trial hall booking system on the website.
- 4270 Neighbourhood Plan:** Cllr Addison reported that she has had a meeting with West Tytherley Parish Council concerning their Neighbourhood Plan. A steering group would be set up followed by a questionnaire which would be sent out to all parishioners. This would be compiled by a consultant and financed by grants. All the surrounding villages now have Neighbourhood Plans. A note would be put on the website (**Action: Cllr Addison**).
- 4271 Selection of new Parish Clerk:** Cllr Mrs James reported that the post had been advertised on the website as well as notices around the village. Unfortunately due to a problem with the HALC website an attempt to advertise it there failed but it had gone out on Cllr Mrs James' village pump. There was one applicant who had an excellent cv and all the right attributes and commercial experience. Mrs Foster has been appointed with effect from 1 April whilst working on unpaid basis for the month of March. The new Clerk will also be RFO and her salary will be slightly higher than the present Clerk due to the increased responsibility. A proposal that the council meet in camera at the end of the meeting in public was proposed by Cllr Cotterell and seconded by Cllr Addison with two in favour and one councillor abstainer. The resolution was passed.
- 4272 Matters raised by councillors:** The latest report by the Footpaths Officer would be placed on the website (**Action: Parish Clerk**). Cllr Cotterell proposed that £100 be spent on cleaning up the bus shelter at Jacks Bush. This was seconded by Cllr Addison and unanimously agreed. Cllr Addison proposed that turf containing wild flower seed be planted on the green (so not to interfere with grass cutting). She would research grants to fund this (**Action: Cllr Addison**). Cllr Cotterell reported a video showing a car overtaking on double white lines at speed along the A343. He had heard nothing from the police. Cllr Addison reported that TVBC had pledged £500 to the council to help with the playground equipment refurbishment. She would chase HCC for the £1,000 pledged (**Action: Cllr Addison**).
- 4273 Points from the floor:** Mr Tilling noticed the beam settlement in the hall and enquired whether work needed to be done. Cllr Carpenter replied that this was in hand and would be sorted out in a few months time. Mrs Foster enquired whether netting could be placed over some stiles which mothers found slippery when walking the footpaths to and from school (**Action: Footpaths Officer**). Mr Tilling thanked the council for all the work they do and particularly for keeping all the amenities going.
- 4274 Date of next meeting:** The Vice Chairman thanked all for attending. The next monthly Meeting will be held on Monday 14 January 2019 in the village hall at 7.30pm. The Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.31 pm.

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