

Minutes of the Meeting of Nicholforest Parish Council
7.00 pm on Monday 8th January 2018 at Nicholforest Village Hall

Attendees

Cllr J Sisson (Chair), Cllr C Dunn, Cllr K. Robinson, Cllr D. Hammond, Cllr D. Carlyle, Clerk Mrs Norma Wright

Apologies for Absence

Cllr K Ireland, Cllr E. Smith, County Cllr Val Tarbitt, Cllr G Noble, Cllr D. Shepherd

Declarations of Interest & Requests for Dispensations

None made

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting on 12th September 2018, were agreed and signed as true

Report on the activities of the Parish Council

4.a Road repairs: Several complaints have been received over the bumpiness at the Crossroads on the B6318 and the Road to the Church and Hall after resurfacing and raised the middle of the road.

The verges on Station road after the diversions have been left with raised and damaged they need returning to former level to prevent puddles and ice.

Planning Matters

5.a PLANNING ref 2017/0882 - Exercise yard ad Kershopton : Cllr J. Sisson rang residents who were not concerned as it is a non-commercial venture, the Planning are happy with the drainage and there are no big lights either.

Correspondence

6.a Letter from Netherby Hall estates regarding the phone box at the Pentonbridge Inn, they have noted the suggestions from the meeting and will keep them in mind for the future.

6.b The letter from the Crime Commissioner on adding a charge to the 18-19 year's Council Tax was discussed and all agreed not to support it as we had no Bobby's on the beat and it wouldn't help rural area's like ours and that income was limited enough without this increase in costs.

The Clerk filled the survey form in to this effect.

Financial Matters

7.1 The Clerk's timesheet and costs of £240 was agreed to be paid by the Council to Norma Wright but deferred until next quarter.

7.2 The Precept for 2018-19 was discussed and left the same as last year at £6000, the forms filled in and signed to this effect.

- 7.3 Website – ongoing costs – Annual hosting charge of £95 and monthly £10 charges for website maintenance agreed for 4D Web design.
- 7.4 Other payments agreed: Cemetery maintenance grant agreed £1000 and Repairs to the Church yard grant £1000 also
- 7.5 Cllr D Shepherd has issued a £200 grant towards the cost of a Remembrance Garden.

Village Matters

- 8.1 An accident on the B6318 going down to the Lins where a car crashed off the side of the road raised a renewal of the request for Barriers to be erected to stop this happening again and an improved drainage of the area too.
- 8.2 The road near Thorny lands Farm is being affected by flooding and several complaints have been made.
- 8.3 Broadband update; - Catlowdy now has Fibre enabled but Kershopefoot are no further on due to delays in fitting and the complexity of existing services and the new cabinets will need to be funded by residents, Cllr D Hammond was to contact Cllr V Tarbitt to get info regarding any support to pay for upgrades, this also goes for other residents in the rest of Penton outside Catlowdy as the Fibre is not available to them either.
- 8.4 Bus Shelter; - Simon Harrison is happy for a bus shelter to be erected at Station Rd end, a traditional wooden one would be in keeping with the area.

Date of Next Meeting

Suggested date of the next meeting to take place on Monday 14th March 2018 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.