

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF NEWTON & NOSS PARISH COUNCIL

Held on 10 July 2014

PRESENT Cllr. Cooper Mr. Tubb Mr. Stitson Mr. Carter Miss Cove
Mrs. Ansell Mr. Taylor
ALSO 1 Parishioner Mrs. McDonough
PRESENT (Clerk)

OPEN FORUM

Police matters- P.C. Charlotte Mathers and PCSO Andy Potter attended.

Newton Ferrers and Noss Mayo Parish Council Police Report June 2014

Newton Ferrers; No reported crime

Noss Mayo

1st criminal damage. A car's windscreen wiper had been damaged. It was to be dealt with by way of restorative justice. CR/077873/14.

1st criminal damage. A porch window of a house had been damaged. It was to be dealt with by way of restorative justice. CR/077874/14.

Bridgend Wall-a parishioner enquired into the location of the large granite blocks which had originally been used to underpin the wall to stop erosion. A suggestion was also made that the replacement railings, which were not wrought iron, should be painted. The Chairman advised that she had left a message for Mr. Nick Colton, Devon County Council Highways Department to contact her.

167/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –there were apologies for absence from the Vice Chairman, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Hussell and Mrs. Evans

168/14 MINUTES –the Minutes of the 12 June Meeting were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

169/14 INTERESTS TO BE DECLARED - members were invited to declare interests in the items for discussion during the course of the Meeting. None were declared.

170/14 DISPENSATION REQUESTS- there were none.

171/14 PROPOSAL TO VARY THE AGENDA- RESOLVED; items relating to consideration of quotes for tree felling at Broken Way and arrangements for contract renewal of the Parish Council photocopier/printer should be considered in Committee. (*Vote; Unanimous.*)

172/14 COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILS

172.1 Highways/Transport

i) Puslinch- the Clerk would follow up the request for information regarding any plans to resurface the road from Puslinch Bridge to A379.

ii) Butts Park- the Clerk would report the poor condition of the road surface on the stretch of road by the houses between Parsonage Road-Newton Down Farm. It was thought the road surface was deteriorating leading to gravel blocking up the drains on the right hand side.

iii) Highway Safety Awareness Training- was not thought necessary at the present time.

iv) Parking permits- the Clerk would ask for an update into the use of parking permits by building contractors to park in restricted parking zones.

172.2 Devon County Council Residential Care Services review- there was no comment.

172.3 Devon County Council Day Services Review- there was no comment.

172.4 District Councillor's Report- Cllr. Cooper had no report.

172.5 SHDC Asset Transfer/Parish Asset Land Registration- there had been no update.

172.6 Village Housing Initiative-the Parish Council had been copied in on a letter from SHDC Senior Housing Strategy and Enabling Officer to the landowner enquiring into the present position and whether there was anything she could do to help move things forward. The Parish Council had also been copied in on a letter from Mr. George Buckland and Mr. Peter Brown (Chair Newton & Noss Environment Group) to Mr. Alan Robinson, SHDC Executive Director, dated 26 June, regarding suggested changes to the layout of the affordable housing proposal and to achieving the objectives of South Hams Policy DP4: Sustainable Construction.

172.7 Ivybridge & District Association of Local Councils- it was agreed to ask the Vice Chairman if he would be available to attend the meeting Wednesday 24 September.

172.8 SHDC Public Conveniences- there had been no update from SHDC regarding the proposals for winter closures.

172.9 SHDC TAP funding- it was agreed Members would consider potential proposals for 2014/2015 tap funding projects over the summer break.

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173/14. PLANNING

Planning applications received including

173.1 Rowden Court, Stoke Road 37/1533/14/LB-Listed Building consent for roof repairs. Affected a public footpath or right of way. Application affected a Listed Building. DECISION: No objection provided the Conservation Officer was satisfied with the proposed plans. *(Vote; Unanimous)*

173.2 SHDC Development Management Committee Meeting 9 July 2014- Mrs. Ansell had attended. Two applications from the Parish had been due to be considered- Windlesham, 40 Yealm Road 37/1271/14/F and Monticello, Court Road 37/0890/14/VAR. Mrs. Ansell and the Chairman had attended a visit to 38 Yealm Road on Tuesday 8 July with Cllr. Robert Steer from the SHDC Development Management Committee. It was noted work had commenced in respect of the Windlesham planning proposal prior to planning permission being granted and that the main drain to "Rosemount" had been left exposed and tied with string. Whilst there, the party were advised by a neighbour that the planning application in respect of Windlesham, had been withdrawn. Monticello was considered by the SHDC Planning Committee. Mrs. Ansell reported that the Committee felt that planning permission had already been granted for the balcony, which had caused concern for the neighbours on the east, but that there was no reason that it should not be enlarged to the west.

173.3 Neighbourhood Planning- Miss Cove advised that leaflets had been delivered to properties at Collaton asking for volunteers to help with the Neighbourhood Plan. Some had also been circulated in Newton Ferrers.

174/14 ADMINISTRATION

174.1 Risk assessment- Mr. Carter advised that the risk assessments in respect of Big Slip and Kilpatrick's would be completed in September.

174.2 Sports Pavilion- Mr. Tubb and Mr. Stitson had completed the risk assessment/ health and safety matters review. The electrical inspection was pending. Mr. Larry Finch was due to be undertaking improvements funded by the County Council Locality Budget. The Chairman advised that she may have funding from her District Councillor's Locality Budget to fund further improvements.

174.3 Emergency Plan- Mrs. Ansell and the Chairman had attended the Parish Council self-help emergency plan event 1 July organised by SHDC. It was agreed Mrs. Ansell and Mr. Carter would update the Emergency Plan and the Clerk would ask SHDC to supply a copy of the template referred to at the meeting.

175/14. CONSULTATION/CORRESPONDENCE

175.1 Draft Sustainable Communities Act Proposal-The Right for Parish and Town Councils to Sell Electricity. - Proposed Government Action -that the government gives Parish and Town Councils (Local Councils) the right to sell electricity either by legislating to this effect itself or by giving support and, if necessary, adequate Parliamentary time for a Private Members Bill that gives Local Councils this right. It was agreed that the Parish Council would enquire into supporting the proposal.

175.2 LIGHTS OUT- 4 August event commemorating the start of World War I was noted. Enquiries would be made into whether the event was to be included in the Parish Magazine for August. The Clerk would put up notices on the Parish Council notice boards.

175/14 AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS-Cheque payments were authorised and signed in accordance with the schedule prepared by the Clerk, checked by the Mr. Stitson and listed in Minute 176/14. A letter of thanks was read out to the Council from Mrs. Emma Parker, the President of the Newton & Noss WI, thanking the Council for their financial support for the extension and refurbishment of the WI Hall.

Mr. Larry Finch had submitted an invoice for maintaining Noss Voss/Pope's Quay which included VAT. RESOLVED; to authorise payment of invoices from Mr Larry Finch for maintain Pope's Quay/Noss Voss at the rate of £50 per month plus VAT. *(Vote; Unanimous)*

The Clerk was asked to enquire with Newton & Noss Environment Group into whether their recent workshops at Newton Ferrers Primary School had been well supported.

176/14 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Santander Current Account	Total balance at 1.7.14	£62258.95
The balance includes: Hedge Cutting Bond		£3000
Locality Budget funding for Sports Pavilion improvements		£937.92
Monies held on completion of Newton & Noss Play Park Improvement Project		£36.02
Monies held in respect of the maintenance of the Revington Memorial Seat		£500

The following cheques were authorised totalling: **£10554.75**

Chq No	PAYEE		AMOUNT
1827	Newton & Noss Village Hall	Hire- NNPC Meeting 10 July 2014	£20.00
1828	Newton & Noss Village Hall	Hire- NNPC Meeting 24 July 2014	£20.00
1829	S. McDonough	Net salary-June	£1,184.08

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1830	HM Revenue & Customs	Clerks monthly Tax & National Insurance	£293.73
1831	Newton and Noss WI Community Hall	Grant from fund to meet contingencies	£8,626.00
1832	P. Burrige	Maintenance; Broken Way/St. Peter's path	£104.94
1833	DALC	New Councillor Training	£30.00
1834	M. Hingston	Cleaning; Newton Voss & steps June 2014	£124.00
1835	L. Finch	Noss Voss/Pope's Quay cleaning April & June	£120.00
1836	D. Goodchild	Grass cutting; The Green 12 & 26 June 2014	£32.00
		Total	£10,554.75
SO	Spectrum Housing Group	Rent; Bishops Court consulting room	£338.55
	*Section 137 Local Government Act 1972 payments:£0 Total to date;£207.00		

177/14. MEETINGS ATTENDED:

177.1 Harbour Authority- Mr. Carter advised that receipts were up from the previous year.

177.2 Halls- Mrs. Ansell advised that there would be a Newton & Noss Village Hall Committee Meeting on 17 July

178/14. MAINTENANCE

178.1 Parish Asset Inspection- a progress review would be undertaken in September.

178.2 TAP fund- Wembury Parish Council was awaiting a list of work from Brixton and Yealmpton.

178.3 Other areas for consideration;

i) Revington seat- refurbishment of the bench on the Leas Path would be added to the list of work arising from the Parish Asset Inspection.

ii) Leas Path- the entire length of the path needed strimming.

iii) Noss Voss- had been reported as being slippery. Mr. Stitson would speak with Mr. Finch.

iv) Noss Voss footpath steps from Passage Road- a member suggested that the vegetation and trees in the land adjacent were leading to the wall by the steps to deteriorate. The land was unregistered and attempts made to establish ownership of the land had been unsuccessful. Any work on trees in a Conservation Area would require permission from SHDC. It was agreed to have a site inspection and review the matter in September.

v) Overgrown hedges- a parishioner had raised concern about overgrown hedges on Revelstoke Road. An article would be included in August Parish Magazine.

vi) Riverside House- the owners had been keeping the Council advised of developments with their drain problem. Kier (taken over from May Gurney) had sent two men to look at their drains. They agreed with Clear Flo's conclusion that the house had not been connected to the new drain on the foreshore and was therefore still linked to the old (now capped off) sewer. On Monday 14 July they would be sending another surveying team to look and assess and would then advise how they intended to proceed.

In Committee

178.4Trees- Broken Way. Three invitations to tender had been sent out. One tender had been received. RESOLVED; to accept the quotation of Devon & Cornwall Arborists to fell and dispose of a Sycamore tree at Broken Way in the sum of £1350. (Vote; Unanimous)

179/14. PRINTER/COPIER- the lease contract with Ricoh for the Parish Council copier/printer came to an end at the end of July. The current quarterly rental rate was £123.67. Quotes had been obtained from two firms for a new three year/five year lease or to buy a printer/copier outright. RESOLVED; to authorise the Clerk to enter into a new three year lease contract with Ricoh for a printer/photocopier for the Parish Council at the rental rate of £111.45 plus VAT per quarter plus copy charges at the rate of 0.44p(Mono) and 3.20p(colour) plus VAT. (Vote; Unanimous)

The Meeting closed at 8.30pm

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