

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NETTLETON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN WEST KINGTON BAPTIST CHAPEL ON THURSDAY 11th January 2018**

PRESENT: Cllrs Kerr, Beare, Bush, Flint, Minney, Newman, Wright.
Members of public. Ruth Parker and Ian Harford.

AP		ACTION
1.	Apologies for Absence. Cllrs Scott, Futrell and Shanahan absent; and Cllr Beare apologised as he has to leave early.	
2.	Declarations of Councillor’s personal or prejudicial interest in any Agenda item. Cllr. Newman declared a possible interest in the Summer End planning application because his wife owns an adjacent property.	
3.	Chairman’s Announcements. Cllr Kerr commented that at the last meeting and at some previous ones people have interrupted and / or spoken over each other and that this is not acceptable. In the future he will endeavour to stop it if it happens again.	
4.	Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14 th December 2017. Proposed by Cllr. Kerr to approve the minutes seconded Cllr Flint. Vote was 5 in favour and 2 abstaining as they were not present at the December meeting. Approved and signed.	
5.	<p>Actions Update.</p> <p>5. a. Stones on verge at Burton. Some of the stones are still in place especially the big one on the bend. This is ongoing, there will be an update next month.</p> <p>b. Planning. Appeal for Westfield farm agricultural workers dwelling has not been announced yet, Cllr Kerr and Clerk will keep eye out for it.</p> <p>7. Action on how WC enforce planning restrictions. This is ongoing. Clerk to contact WC.</p> <p>8c. Request for a grant for broken window. Clerk has written to St Mary’s Church Nettleton and Burton explaining that the PC is unable to help.</p> <p>9a. Cllr. Beare has passed on Chris Bennett’s details to Paul Bollen</p> <p>9b. Overhanging trees on Toll Down Road, Cllr. Wright has given the clerk the exact location, they are just past the bend to Westfield, she will write to Badminton estate about the overhanging trees</p> <p>9d. Grit bins: Cllr Beare and Newman have drilled small holes in bins, so water flows away. This is the solution accepted by WC highways.</p> <p>Cllr Kerr action re undergrowth, etc.,. Blocking the Brook is ongoing.</p>	<p>Cllr Beare</p> <p>Cllr. Kerr and Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Kerr</p>
6.	Public Participation. Ruth Parker from Park Blue and Ian Harford attended to discuss the Summers End planning application – see below.	
7.	Planning Applications.	
	17/10352/LBC Reinstatement of the wooden roof structure to an existing disused building, plus reinstatement of roof covering with clay double roman roof tiles. Latimer Manor, West Kington. Cllr. Kerr proposed they Support this application, Seconded by Cllr. Flint. All approved.	

17/11899/FUL Summers End, Hillside, Burton. Change of use from C2 Residential to C3 to Residential Care Home.

Ruth Parker gave an overview of their plans for Summers End and answered Cllrs questions. She said the tenancy states the home has to go back to C2 use once she leaves. Cllr Newman felt this should have a strong condition to make sure this happens. His concern is that this may not happen, then anyone could take over the home. Ruth said she is very selective to the type of problems the children have before agreeing to take them. Most have low self-confidence, they will need to be driven everywhere and if they walk into the village will be accompanied by an adult. The house has 6 bedrooms. The application is for up to 4 children and she is thinking of reducing it to three, so this will limit the number of children she can take.

Mr Harford, who lives in the house next door, spoke in favour of the application. He feels we should support people trying to help children.

After listening to Ruth Parker and Mr Harford and taking into account the concerns of many residents expressed in online objections to the application, Cllr Kerr proposed No Objection subject to a number of recommendations and proposed conditions. Seconded by Cllr Beare, all in favour.

The recommendations and conditions are requested to address certain issues that concern the Parish Council and also local residents, as follows:

1. Safety of children: The road on which the property is sited is well known as dangerous for pedestrians. The road is narrow with no footways and relatively poor visibility and although in a 40mph limit, a recent analysis of traffic speeds by the Community Speed Watch team showed 7% of vehicles exceeding 46mph. Therefore recommendations are as follows:
 - a. The road side of the property is secured with a fence and the access track is gated; to be completed prior to occupation by children.
 - b. A footpath is provided from the property to The Street, Burton via the adjacent field to allow safe walking into Burton.
2. Use of the property: Cllrs have met with the applicant who described the proposed operational arrangements, as set out in the Blue Park Homes Statement of Purpose and Function, dated December 2017, and in particular the high level of supervision that will be provided. It appears to Cllrs that these proposed arrangements are appropriate and show a responsible attitude. However, there is a concern that permission for C2 use would allow a change of provider and also would allow use for other forms of care facility. Therefore conditions are proposed as follows:
 - a. Any permission is limited to use as a children's home.
 - b. Any permission is limited to children of school age and under and no more than 4 children in residence.

17/11593/FUL & 17/11968/LBC Erection of natural stone wall to front of property and demolition of two existing stone walls within the residential curtilage at The Tithe, Westfield Farm, Nettleton.

Cllr Kerr noted that the height of the proposed wall is 1.6m; this compares with the height of the existing wall at the frontage onto the road of 0.9m. Cllr. Flint proposed Objection on grounds that the height of wall is too high, seconded by Cllr. Bush. Vote: 6 for, 1 against.

	Planning Applications Determined. None.	
8.	<p>Finance.</p> <p>a) Options for use of Funds from Reserves including CIL funds. The list was discussed and updated as attached to the minutes.</p> <p>b) Police Commissioner has written stating the need to increase their precept. Cllr Kerr proposed that they do not comment on it. All agreed.</p> <p>c) CCB. Cllr Kerr has applied to sit on the board, there are two candidates. Cllr. Flint asked for support to chairman in this position. Seconded by Cllr Bush. All approved. Cllr Kerr abstained.</p> <p>d) Cllr Kerr gave clerk the wayleave payment cheque from SSE for the amount of £14.72 to be paid into the bank.</p>	Clerk
9.	<p>Proposal to Refresh the Resolution to support churches in the future.</p> <p>Cllr. Kerr thinks there is nothing to discuss as WALC have advised that the PC does not have the legal power to support the church. Cllr Newman explained there is talk of clarifying the law, as it is not clear whether councils can give funding for maintenance to buildings. He thinks that the PC should make our own resolution to support the churches if and when possible.</p> <p>Discussion: agreed to take off agenda as the advice from WALC is that we cannot legally give grants to churches for maintenance to their buildings.</p> <p>Action: The clerk will check with WALC if the PC could contribute towards the cost of the toilet for the church as this is a small wooden building to be erected in the churchyard and would enable the church meeting space to be used for PC meetings. (This item is on the list discussed under 8a above)</p>	Clerk
10.	<p>Highways</p> <p>All issues are ongoing. Crash barrier work in Burton started 3 Jan. Cllr Minney and Wright said it is excellent to have it reinstated. Thanks was given to Cllr. Beare for his work on getting highway issues resolved.</p> <p>There is now have a spare ditch grille if any councillors knows of location where it could be of benefit.</p> <p>No other issues raised.</p>	.
11	<p>Buckingham Palace Garden Party. Discussion to nominate a past chairman to enter the draw to attend the Garden Party this summer.</p> <p>WALC has written asking for nominations for the BPGP, we can put forward up to 3 names of past chairmen. Cllr Kerr suggested if we want to put someone forward it should be Peter Broadhurst as a past chairman. Proposed by Cllr Kerr to put his name forward seconded by Cllr. Flint all agreed. Cllr. Kerr will ask him if he would like to have his name put into the draw.</p>	Cllr. Kerr.
10	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>None</p>	
11.	<p>Date and time of next meeting 8th February 7.30pm at West Kington Baptist Chapel</p>	

Meeting closed: 9.10 pm