**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NETTLETON PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD IN WEST KINGTON BAPTIST CHAPEL ON 14th March 2019**

PRESENT: Cllrs. Kerr, Futrell, Meier, Beare, O’Shea, Wright and Bush

Members of the public: Mr. Bennett.

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| 1. | **Apologies for Absence**: WC Cllr. Jane Scott, Cllr. Minney and Cllr. Newman |  |
| 2. | **Declaration of councillor’s personal or prejudicial interest in any agenda item**. None |  |
| 3. | **Chairman’s Announcements**. None. |  |
| 4. | **Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th November.** Proposed by Cllr. Kerr for approval, seconded by Cllr. Bush, all approved. Signed by chairman. |  |
| 5. | **Update on Actions from previous meeting where not on the agenda.**Website storage: Cllr Futrell apologised for not reviewing this yet, it was agreed to bring it up at a future meeting. Sunken drain Nettleton road: Cllr Wright has reported it to WC. Clerk to send thank you letter to Windells re snow clearing – action outstanding. Waste bin for Burton triangle: Cllr Minney to order a replacement waste bin. | ClerkCllr Minney |
| 6. | **Public Participation. None** |  |
| 7. | **Planning Applications Received. None.****Planning Applications Determined.** 18/1144/REM Reserved matters for construction of agricultural workers cottage. Approved with Conditions. |  |
| 9. | **Finance Matters.** Payment of £60 to West Kington Baptist Chapel for use of the meeting room. Proposed by Cllr. Kerr, seconded Cllr Meier, all approved.To confirm appointment of Karen Sayers as the internal auditor, at the same rate as last year of £72. Proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded Cllr Futrell, all approved. |  |
| 10. | **Gigaclear**Cllr Kerr met Stephen Harris, Community Engagement Manager (employed by Gigaclear), on Monday this week to understand what they are planning. He summarised the meeting as follows:1. Gigaclear have a contract with Wiltshire Council to install full fibre broadband (to the property boundary) in Wiltshire, initially in rural areas that currently have a poor service.  This is part of a government supported plan to eventually cover most of Southern England.
2. Nettleton & West Kington are included in this initial phase (as part of a North Wraxall area), currently due to start in March 2020 and expected to take 6-9 months to finish. Burton is not included, presumably on the basis that the service there is reasonable already.
3. Stephen showed the preliminary map of routing. It shows that they plan to include all properties in the area, including the remote ones that currently have no broadband.  The cable will be put in the verges where they exist or in the road.
4. Gigaclear will do a check by walking the route to validate it, and liaise with residents as appropriate, before installation starts.
5. Residents who wish to take up this new service can do so either through Gigaclear or through other providers.
6. Stephen has only been appointed recently.  He said that Gigaclear are aware of the problems that happened last year in other parishes, hence his appointment. The company is taking community engagement seriously and he would like to meet with residents before the work starts next year and

In answer to Cllrs questions, Cllr Kerr said that he understands that the difference between this and BT fibre broadband installed previously is that this is the next stage in the installation of high speed broadband. He understands that residents can stay with their current provider using the BT installed broadband.  |  |
| 11. | **Highways.**Fly tipping. Cllr Kerr showed signs stating “Site under Surveillance”. At the Chippenham Parish Forum, Wiltshire Council Cllr Greenman informed them that he has arranged with Wiltshire Council, to allow these signs to be put up at persistent fly tipping areas and a roving CCTV camera will be available. He asked for parishes to let him know where they would like the signs to be located. Cllr Kerr believes that the PC will have to put the signs up, he will confirm this. Cllr Beare offered to put them up with David Taylor. It was agreed where signs should go, as follows:* On Fosse way Eastwards from Nettleton Shrub to the brook crossing before The Gibb,
* On Tolldown Road from Edge Corner Lane Westwards to Gypsy cross roads.
* On Drifton Hill, West Kington, in the layby at the top of the hill.
* On Hillside Road, Burton, on the old road track by the M4.

CATG committee. Cllr Kerr said that the future of the CATG committee seems uncertain at present. The WC community engagement manager who organised these meetings has left and we have a new community engagement manager. However, Cllr Kerr has arranged a meeting with Martin Rose, highways officer, on 25th March in Burton to look at the Burton triangle safety issues, with Chris Bennett of BCA. Martin Rose said in an e-mail that Wiltshire Council have done all they can on this road. They will not install rumble strips and he does not think more signs will help. Cllrs to let Cllr Kerr know if you have any other suggestions that he can pass on to Martin Rose.Cllr Meier asked if we could get a copy of the parish footpath map for meetings as it is very useful. Cllr Kerr will see if he can get one. Action Cllr Kerr.Cllr Beare reported as follows on highways matters:Tree on triangle, Burton.Cllr Beare said the tree been inspected by Jane Cole, Trees Officer/Landscape Engineer for Wiltshire Council. It will be inspected in 12 months’ time to see if needs light pruning. As it is a Highway tree this will be done by WC.Trees on Deadmans Hill, Fosse Way**.** Cllr Beare said that the location was **i**nspected with Jane Cole but she is unable to offer any assistance on behalf of WC. All trees/hedges are the responsibility of landowners. She informed him there is enough height for lorries.Verge Planting in BurtonBCA and NPC met with David Arnup of Wiltshire Council. As regards planting of verge bank adjacent to the play area, he said WC will oppose the granting of licence to plant highway land in this area on Health and Safety grounds. He will consult with highway records to determine exact area of highway land. He stressed that any planted areas must be hand weeded. The use of chemicals is prohibited on H and S grounds. BCA indicated it is intending to plant up other areas in the village, in view of that WC have been asked to send plans of the highway land to both BCA and NPC. It is understood that BCA have referred matter to Baroness Scott and that a further site meeting is planned.Cllr Beare asked that Cllrs earlier agreement to the effect that verge by the play area should be restored to grass be minuted, together with the request to WC to consult with NPC should BCA have plans to carry out further planting. Cllr Kerr confirmed his memory that this had been agreed before. Cllr Kerr asked for re-confirmation of this. All Cllrs confirmed that this was agreed. Gypsy X RoadsCllr Beare met with Tormarton PC chair and SGC councillor to discuss the problem. All agreed that cypress trees on NW corner should be removed and hedge and branches overhanging highway should be cut back. SGC have confirmed further work will be carried out – details awaited.Potholes/Highway erosionThe Parish Steward has recently repaired a sizeable area of highway erosion in Nettleton. If Cllrs are aware of areas that need filling please report them to Cllr Beare. | Cllr KerrAll CllrsCllr KerrAll Cllrs |
| 12. | **Annual Parish Meeting.** To consider the arrangements for the meeting in St Mary’s Church Burton on 2nd May: Cllr Jane Scott is available on this date. Cllrs Meier and Kerr will see Marg Caie regarding the set up for the evening. There is now a sound system. Cllr Beare gives his apologies as he will be away. Final details to be agreed at next month’s meeting. Publicity: Agreed that the meeting will be publicised on village e-mail’s, in the Honeycomb and on the website.  | Cllrs Meier & KerrCllrs Kerr & Futrell |
| 13. | **Affordable Housing Survey Results.** Cllr Meier reported on the results of the survey. 299 delivered, 135 returned (46%), which WC say is excellent. The full report has been circulated to the councillors, and Cllr Kerr proposed the PC will formally agree the report to be signed off at April meeting. The report will then be available to parishioners. |  |
| 14 | **Reports on meetings and events.** Cllr Kerr attended theChippenham Parishforum meeting on February 20th. Items of particular interest to NPC were Fly-tipping, Gigaclear, CATG committee future– all reported in items above - and Neighbourhood Watch.There was a talk by the Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Association. It seems that many NHW groups have ceased to operate in the past 3 years or so, but there is now a move to encourage them to get going again. The Nettleton NHW is still in operation, run by Ian Luddington, although reports from the police are infrequent.  Chris Bennett said that Burton get updates from the police, with hints and tips. He will send a copy to Cllr Kerr so it can go on website.  |  |
| 15 | **AOB.** Cllr Kerr mentioned an email he had received from a filming company who are looking for a family for their programme “Living back in Time”. He will forward it to village e-mail list administrators. |  |
| 16 | **Date of next meeting** 11th April 2019 at West Kington Baptist Chapel at 7.30 pm. |  |

Meeting closed 8.50 pm.