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

**HELD IN WEST KINGTON BAPTIST CHAPEL ON 11th July 2019**

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

Members of the public: None

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| **AP** |  | **ACTION** | |
| 1. | **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Bush**.** |  | |
| 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 Parish Council Meeting held on 13th June 2019.** Cllr O’Shea asked for the note “flooding to go on the agenda” in paragraph 12 to be removed; this was agreed**.** After the amendment was made,Cllr. Kerr proposed the minutes are approved, seconded by Cllr. Meier, all agreed. |  | |
| 5. | **Update on Actions from the June meeting not on the agenda.**  Item 8, Budget against expenditure: This will be included when the six monthly check of the accounts is done.  Item 10, white lines: None of the re-painting of white lines has been done yet. Agreed that Cllr Beare writes to Chris Clark of WC for a date when this will be done.  Item 12, missing sign to West Kington Church: the church warden has it in hand. | Clerk/Cllr. O’Shea  Cllr. Beare | |
| 6. | **Public Participation.** None |  | |
| 7. | **Planning Applications Received.**  **19/06358/FUL** Red Roof, Nettleton, SN147NT. This application came in the day before the meeting and it was agreed to discuss it, as several Cllrs will be away in August. After discussion Cllr. Kerr proposed no Objection, seconded by Cllr. Newman. All agreed. | Clerk | |
| 8. | **Planning Applications Determined.**  **19/04092/FUL** Post Office Stores Nettleton, Chippenham Wilts. SN14 7NT, Change of Use. Refused. |  | |
| 9. | **Finance Matters.** To approve payment of £60.00 to West Kington Chapel for hire of the meeting room. Cllr. Kerr proposed approval, seconded Cllr. Meier, all approved. |  | |
| 10. | **Business Plan**. Cllr. Kerr presented the amended Business Plan taking account of comments made at the previous meeting. Cllr Minney proposed approval, seconded Cllr Newman, all agreed. |  | |
| 11. | **Highways.**  **Beckett House, WC Highways Section 116 application**, to stop up highway rights to a piece of land adjacent to the road which forms part of the garden to this property. The WC request is for the PC to either consent or not consent to this change. Cllr Kerr said that we do not know how this anomaly has arisen and that this piece of land does not appear to be of any use to highways and also does not connect to a right of way, such as a footpath. Cllr. Wright said it has been fenced in for years. Cllr. Kerr proposed we consent to it, seconded Cllr Beare, all agreed. Cllr Kerr signed agreement, clerk will return it to WC.  **Naming of Tolldown road.** A **r**esident has submitted a request to WC for this road to be named. This request was made previously; however new information has been found, namely that an electronic map shows it as Fosse Way which is clearly both wrong and misleading. It was agreed we would wait until we hear from WC.  **CATG Meeting**  Cllr Kerr reported on the meeting, which was attended by himself and Cllr, Minney and Tina James from Nettleton also attended.  Fosse Way, Deadman’s Hill, issue 6789: Cllr Kerr presented the recent Metro count data which shows some very dangerously high speeds approaching the location. The committee agreed that the suggestion from Martin Rose, highways officer, of SLOW markings on the road plus transverse lines across the road will be investigated. Martin Rose said that WC will not consider either rumble strips or more signs, but he noted that there is a sign lost in the hedge to the North of the location. Cllr Kerr said that this issue has now been classed as priority 1, which is good news.  Safety of school children at Burton triangle, issue 6846: The committee accepted that this is an issue which needs to be addressed. The action is now on WC officer, Martin Rose, to come up with proposals and costs for signs and improved road markings. The request for the 30mph signs to be moved further South will require an application to Magistrates Court which costs £3000 or more. Therefore this will be held until it can be combined with others to share the cost. Cllr. Kerr said that the Burton triangle issue is listed as priority 2; he will press for it to go to priority 1 at the next meeting.  **Trees on NPC land.** Cllr Beare asked if everyone had the two key documents – his recommendations and the e-mail from Kate Tate, WC officer, all confirmed they had. Cllr. Beare’s recommendations were discussed:   1. That we accept the quote of £160 to remove the ivy from the trees – agreed. 2. To ask SSE to prune the branches near the cables – agreed. Cllr Beare to write to SSE. 3. To ask a tree surgeon to examine the trees annually. It was agreed to revise this to “as and when required” and that annual inspection by Cllr Beare should be adequate. 4. Remove dead wood – agreed. 5. Investigate rerouting of footpath: Cllr Kerr said that it would be expensive to re-route the footpath. After discussion, it was agreed that we will not proceed with re-routing. 6. Cotswold Wardens to repair the steps on the footpath near the road - agreed. 7. The roped off area and notices to remain until the ivy has been removed. 8. Cllr. Beare will contact Barry Sennick accepting his quote for clearing the ivy and the Clerk will write to the other two contractors.   **Snow plan for approval**. Regarding 4WD vehicles / drivers to assist residents in emergency, Cllr Beare asked Cllr. Futrell and O’Shea if they could ask 4WD owners in West Kington if they will help. Cllr. Beare will contact those in Nettleton & Burton. Cllr Kerr proposed we approve the Snow Plan, seconded by Cllr. Newman, all agreed.  **Grit Bins**. Cllr. Beare said that there is enough spare grit and Cllr. Newman confirmed we have enough bags of sand. It was agreed that Cllr. Beare will ask WC to top up all the grit bins in the parish.  **Burton Brook**, Cllr. Wright is concerned about the vegetation growing in the Brook along Tolldown Road which could result in flooding of The Street in Burton. Options were discussed including writing to the EA, or asking WC, as part land owner, to clear their side and the other side to be cleared by other landowner. Cllr Kerr suggested that he obtains advice from Danny Everett of WC. This was discussed and all agreed.  **Gypsy Cross Roads:** Cllr. Beare is still pressing through Tormarton PC to get the speed limit reduced.  **Dilapidated Shed in Nettleton Shrub.** Cllr Beare said that councils had the power to serve a Community Protection Notice under Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 on landowner. Cllr Newman suggested we write to enforcement officer to start process. Cllr Beare will draft letter for clerk to send to WC. All agreed.  **The Street, Burton** Cllr Newman asked what is planned for this road. Cllr. Kerr is writing to Diane Ware for information on the work WC will be doing. | Clerk  Cllr Kerr  Cllr.Beare and Clerk  Cllrs Futrell & O’Shea  Cllr. Beare  Cllr Kerr  Cllr Beare & Clerk  Cllr Kerr |
| 12. | **Vice Chairman.**  Cllr Newman asked about the suggestion that the role is rotated yearly. Cllr Kerr said it was a suggestion so others can have a chance of undertaking the role, as there will be a need for new chairman and vice chairman in due course. Cllr Meier said this will give people experience in the role. Cllrs. discussed the idea and agreed not to take it any further. If Cllrs wish to be considered for either role they can be nominated at the next AGM. Although there is nothing in Standing Orders for having nominations before the meeting, we can propose an expression of interest the month prior to the AGM. Add to April agenda asking for names of Cllrs interested in taking on the roles. | Clerk |
| 13. | **Reports on meetings & Events.**  Cllr Kerr went to the recent Parish Forum at which there was discussion about the Chippenham Area Board complaint that the Forum was effectively taking over part of the Area Board role. The Forum’s answer is that their meetings are very different as they are informal meetings without public attendance. The Area Board are planning a joint meeting with the Parish Forum. |  |
| 14. | **AOB**  Cllr. Minney reported a call she had from a parishioner concerned about the hedge on the North side of Toll Down Road which needs trimming back. Cllr. Beare will contact WC and Cllr. Minney will speak to WC Cllr. Thompson.  Cllr Futrell reported that the footpath by the brook in West Kington, is very overgrown. Cllr Kerr noted that the land owners are responsible for keeping it clear, but Cotswold Wardens will attend to it.  Cllr Beare will be send dates of any highway meetings arranged with WC to all Cllrs.  Cllr Kerr will circulate the latest Boundary Review notice. | Cllrs Beare & Minney  Cllr Kerr  Cllr Beare  Cllr Kerr |
| 15. | **Date of Next Meeting.**  August meeting**:** it was proposed to cancel it unless urgent items come up. All agreed.  **Next meeting**: **12th September 7.30 West Kington Chapel.** Cllr Beare gave his apologies |  |

Meeting closed 9.00 pm.