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

**HELD Via Zoom on Thursday 14th May 2020**

**PRESENT:-** Cllrs Kerr, Minney, Beare, Wright, Bush, O’Shea, Futrell and Meier

Members of the Public: Kathryn Smith, David Staincliffe, Amanda Reid, Jo Davies, Glnyis Morris and partner.

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| **AP** |  | **ACTION** |
| 1. | **Apologies for Absence**. Cllr. Newman |  |
| 2. | **Declarations of Councillor’s personal or prejudicial interest in any Agenda item.**  Cllr. Minney declared an interest in item 7, 20/02490/OUT |  |
| 3. | **Chairman’s Announcements.** Cllr Kerr welcomed everyone to the parish councils first Zoom meeting. |  |
| 4. | **Approval of the Minutes** of the Parish Council meeting via email on April 9th 2020. Cllr. Kerr proposed they approve the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Bush. All agreed. Cllr Kerr will sign them and send them to the clerk to file. |  |
| 5. | **Update on actions from the previous meeting where not the subject of a specific agenda items.** No actions from previous meeting. |  |
| 6. | **Public Participation**. 6 residents from Burton, all wished to speak about the planning application for 9 houses. |  |
| 7. | **Planning Applications Received.**  **20/02490/OUT** for 9 houses on land south of 1-2 Nettleton Rd, Burton.  Cllr. Kerr explained that this is an Outline application and therefore it is about the principle of 9 houses of the mix proposed in the location shown and matters such as detail layout are not relevant to consideration of the application. He had contacted the agent, Willis & Co., to clarify clause 31 of their covering letter that Wiltshire Council have identified an outstanding need for affordable housing in this location. They said that this referred to the Nettleton Parish Housing Needs Survey of 2018 and also Chippenham Area data held by WC.  All residents present then spoke against the application covering the issues they had raised in their written objections which are on the WC website.  The Parish Council then discussed the application. All councillors eligible to vote were opposed to it and the following summarises their objections:-   * The need for 9 houses (5 affordable houses and 4 large market houses) has not been demonstrated. The Parish housing survey in 2018 showed a need for 2 small affordable homes and also indicated residents would support some small starter homes. * The proposal would extend the Burton village boundary and cannot be considered as infill. * There is a lack of facilities in the village such as primary school, doctors GP practice, shop and no daily bus service. * Nettleton Road is a narrow single track road with poor visibility and is considered hazardous by local residents for the volume of traffic now using it. * There are 16 written objections from residents on WC website.   Cllr. Kerr proposed Objection, seconded by Cllr. Beare, 7 agreed (with 1 abstention). Cllr. Beare asked for it to be called in if the officer is minded to approve it.  **20/03022/FUL.** Erection of a farm building at Kington Down Farm, West Kington.  Cllr. Bush said the building is needed and will benefit the farm. Cllr. Kerr proposed No Objection, seconded by Cllr. Bush. All cllrs agreed. |  |
| 8. | **Planning Applications Determined. 20/00224/FUL Plough Cottage.** Approved with conditions. Cllrs. are still concerned that this application did not show the room layout that now exists in the outbuilding and wish to write to the officer. To be considered by e-mail. | All Cllrs |
| 9. | **Finance.**  a) Approval of Year End accounts. Cllr. Kerr read out the Accounting Statements which were agreed by all. Also, he explained the reasons why the year-end balance had increased, namely no grants paid to churches and NPC contributions to WC highways costs have not yet been invoiced. Cllr. Kerr proposed Approval. All councillors approved it. Clerk will take the forms to the internal auditor.  b) Cllr. Kerr proposed approval for the payment of £280.55 for the annual subscription to WALC. All agreed.  c) Cllr. Kerr proposed approval for the payment of £40 for the annual registration to ICO for GDPR.  Cllrs Kerr & Minney to pay these bills on behalf of NPC, as agreed previously. | Clerk  Cllrs Kerr & Minney |
| 10. | **Highways.** Cllr. Beare reported that WC are continuing to repair pot holes in the parish. There is nothing else to report |  |
| 11 | **Reports on meetings & Events.** All external meetings cancelled/postponed |  |
| 12 | **AOB.** Cllr. Beare said that residents had received an email from St Mary’s Church in Burton saying they are struggling for funds. It was agreed to discuss awarding all churches a grounds maintenance grant next month.  Cllr. Bush reported that the police have moved the travellers on from West Kington. Cllr Futrell suggested putting the new Police Constable’s details onto the web site. All agreed.  Cllr. O’Shea noted the insurance renewal details have been received. Cllr Kerr proposed that, as it is due by 1st June, it should be considered by e-mail. He will e-mail Cllrs.  Cllr. Minney reported that dog poo is being put into the dog bin in the playground in Burton. Cllr. Beare suggested doing a survey to see if new bins were required. To be discussed next month.  Cllr. Kerr asked if Cllrs wanted a Zoom meeting next month. Cllrs. Beare and Minney felt the PC should have a meeting even if it only lasts for 30 minutes. This was agreed. | Clerk  Cllr Kerr |
| 13 | **Date of next meeting.** June 11th via Zoom at 7.00pm. Residents should e-mail the Clerk - clerk@nettleton-pc.gov.uk - with a copy to the Chairman - [daviddkerr@hotmail.com](mailto:daviddkerr@hotmail.com) - regarding any issues that they wish the parish council to respond to or be aware of. |  |