

NETHER LANGWITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Village Hall
on Thursday 4 July 2019

Present : Cllr M Evans in the chair, Cllr D Ball, Cllr J Lennard, Cllr M Middleton, Cllr L Malkan, Cllr G Watmough, Cllr T Watmough, Cllr K Greaves (NCC) and Cllr K Dukes (BDC).
3 members of the public were also present.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr R Stockton.

2. Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Middleton declared an interest in Item 12.

Cllrs D Ball, J Lennard and G Watmough declared an interest in Item 18.3.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2019.

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 4 July 2019 were taken as read and accepted as a true record.

The Chair signed them accordingly.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

The following items were raised:

The fly-tipping on Cockshutt Lane has been reported to BDC.

Complaints have been made regarding the hanging baskets not being watered enough. The Clerk will get in touch with the contractor.

5. Correspondence

5.1 BDC – Community Infrastructure Levy - noted.

5.2 The Chair reported that he had received a letter of resignation from the Clerk which will take affect from 31 December. It was **resolved**

1. to thank the Clerk for his work for the community since 1996 and

2. to appoint a group consisting of Cllrs Ball, Malkan and T Watmough to discuss a replacement.

6. County Councillors Report

Cllr Greaves reported on: -

The resurfacing programme has fallen behind the timetable.

7. District Councillor's Report.

Cllr K Dukes reported on: -

There are several consultations due to become live – BDC Plan, Council Tax Reduction Scheme and Corporate Plan.

The new Country Park on the old Welbeck Tip site is making progress with a part on the south side planned to open in May 2020.

Work has started on the renovation of the Cotton Mill.

8. Accounts for Payment.

The Clerk reported that the following payments had been made or were due for payment by direct bank transfer or by cheque since the last meeting.

It was **resolved** to approve the payments.

Payee	Reason	Amount £
B Woodcock	Sal, phone, stamps	192.08
Cllr D Ball	Cleaning etc	11.51
Cllr J Lennard	Window Blinds	90.84
Mrs D Wakeling	Wages Jun 19	69.79
Mr R Busby	Wages Jul 19	110.32
NALC	Cllr Training	105.00
Opus Energy	Gas	8.33
Acer Grounds Maint	Grass cutting July	304.00
B Woodcock	Salary/phone July	181.64
Mrs D Wakeling	Wages Jul/Aug 19	90.31
Mr R Busby	Wages Jul/Aug 19	110.32
Waterplus	Water/sewerage	49.93
Opus Energy	Gas	0.43
Acer Grounds Maint	Aug 19	304.00

9. To consider the re-investment of Council funds

The Clerk reported that there were only a few suitable community accounts available.

It was **resolved** to defer the opening of any new account until after the completion of the village green/river contract.

10. Neighbourhood Planning

The Chair and Cllr Ball had attended a discussion on the subject at BDC.

It was **resolved** to arrange a public meeting at 19:00 on 19 September 2019 to gauge public opinion.

11. Social Media

The Chair reported that he considered a Council page on social media important to be able to inform the public.

It was **resolved** that the Chair arrange for a Council page on Facebook be set up.

12. Land Adjacent to Farm Court

Cllr Ball reported that there had been several complaints regarding the state of frontage of the land at Farm Court.

It was **resolved** that the Clerk write to the owners to ask them to improve the boundary.

13. Remembrance Day Service

Following on from the success of last years' service, it was **resolved** to approve a similar service.

14. Highways and Related Matters

There were no matters to discuss.

15. Planning

There were no matters to discuss.

16. VE Day 2020 Celebrations

The event is to take place on Friday 8 May 2020. It was reported that there were 3 sponsors interested – Jug & Glass, Shirebrook Coop and Castle Carpets. The closure of part of Queens Walk to hold the event was though the best idea.

It was **resolved** to ask Cllr Stockton to meet with the sponsors to formulate a way forward.

17. Allotment Land at Kitchener Terrace

The Clerk reported that he had received a request from Grainger PLC for the Council to make an offer for the land.

It was **resolved** to make an offer for the transfer of ownership of the land to the Council of £1 plus the reimbursement of reasonable legal fees.

18. Village Hall

18.1 Cllr T Watmough reported on a quotation for painting the Main Hall (Council to arrange for preparation).

It was **resolved** not to proceed.

18.2 The Clerk reported on the initial and maintenance cost of a defibrillator.

It was **resolved** to accept the sponsors offer to raise money.

18.3 The free use of the village was discussed.

It was **resolved**

1. to allow the Knit & Natter Group to use the facilities free of charge until after the Remembrance Service in November 2019 and then to review the situation again.
2. To allow the free use of the village hall to Nottinghamshire Police for "Pop-up" surgeries.

19. Village Green

19.1 The Clerk reported on the quotation received from Via EM.

It was **resolved** not to proceed and to investigate the possibility of using battery-powered lights.

19.2 Discussion took place on the renovation works around the village green and river.

It was **resolved** to arrange a site meeting at 09:30 on Thursday 19 September to discuss individual costs.

20. To allow a ten-minute period (if required) for any members of the public to speak on matters affecting the Parish

Members of the public raised the following: -

Gullies need to be installed along the length of Queens Walk to alleviate flooding.
The A632 towards Cuckney hold water.
The Cotton Mill building is to be renovated.

21. Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 17 October 2019 at 19:00.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20:50.

Note – Abbreviations used:

NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council

NALC – Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils

BDC – Bassetlaw District Council

NLFG – Nether Langwith Friendship Group

DCC – Derbyshire County Council

PCT – Primary Care Trust

CPRE – Campaign to Protect Rural England.

TPO – Tree Preservation Order.

BCVS – Bassetlaw Community and Volunteer Service.

HS2 – High Speed Train