

NETHER LANGWITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

**of the Virtual Zoom Meeting of the Parish Council held
on Thursday 3rd December 2020**

Present: Councillor M Evans in the chair
Councillors D Ball, L Malkan, G Watmough, T Watmough, J Smith and M Middleton.
District Councillor Kevin Dukes
Mary Welch Parish Clerk

There were no members of the public present.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor R Stockton and Councillor Middleton had to leave at 7.30p.m.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

Councillor Janet Smith was welcomed to the meeting.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 5th November 2020

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th November, copies of which had been previously circulated to members were confirmed as a true record and will be signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) Update on the allotment land at Kitchener Terrace and discuss a way forward

Councillor Middleton reported that there has still been no update.

b) Village Hall - Health and Safety

There was nothing further to report.

c) Village green – Trees

The clerk has spoken to Acer who have some work to do in the village next week but did not say if it was the tree, Councillors thought the tree has not yet been done.

d) Village Sign

The clerk has been unsuccessfully trying to get a copy of the LIS application, the chairman has sent a chaser and will persist in getting this. The clerk reported that there are criteria to be met including three quotes and permission from Highways.

e) Seats

There is nothing further to report.

f) River Poulter - Repair project and Damage to Village Green/Tyre dumped

The site meeting was deferred due to Covid and it was suggested it could now take place in the next 3 weeks even if it had to be in two groups. Councillor Middleton will forward a copy of the tender to Councillor Smith to update her.

The tyres have not been moved yet, Bassetlaw were unable to help and after discussion councillors agreed to try to contact the drainage authority for help with this.

g) Defibrillator

The Jug and Glass would be happy to have the defibrillator the clerk will check on permissions required. Councillor Dukes offered to contribute from the Community grant and the clerk was asked to send the form to him.

h) Neighbourhood Plan

The date and time will be advertised in the December Newsletter.

Councillor Smith attended the local plan meeting on Monday and there is a press release and a request for it to be put in the village newsletter. Councillor Smith reported that there were several speakers and as she understands it small rural settlements will be required to increase by 5% and that has already been met. Councillor Dukes stressed it is really important that details are embedded in the neighbourhood plan as the local plan will hold weight.

i) Blocked Culvert

The clerk has chased this up but is still waiting for legal advice. It was reported that the problem has been caused by work done upstream and that it needs to be addressed who has had the work done. Residents have reported it and the same officer has been sent out to look at it. Councillor Middleton has a direct contact at the flooding authority and will pass on details to the clerk.

j) NLPC Action Register

Councillors were asked to update the clerk on items.

5. Correspondence

Correspondence has been circulated.

6. County and District Councillor's Report

Councillor Dukes reported that the local plan consultation is on and reported that rural settlements started in 2018 and anything after that date counts towards allocation. It is important to get Neighbourhood Plans and red line areas as soon as possible.

There is a consultation on Worksop town centre which is available online as well. The rural plan should come out in January and there is a consultation on allotments coming soon.

Councillor Dukes will be the new Chair for the food bank in Worksop from next Wednesday and that they are on the lookout for new trustees.

Portland Road has a lot of reports of fly tipping on the road behind the terraces it was thought this may be Welbeck land and the Chairman was asked to send photographs to Councillor Dukes.

The HGV problems have shown a marked improvement, Councillor T Watmough asked if his outstanding emails could be addressed. One of the key aspects was that there used to be a sign on the other side of the road pointing to the right this is being replaced. Councillor Ball asked why they can't have cameras up as on the weighbridge.

7. Finance

To approve any payments made or due.

a) Cheques to be signed

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

| Payee | Reason | Amount £ |
|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
| R Busby | Wages | £111.52 |
| M Welch | Wages | £193.05 |
| D Wakeling | Wages | £307.82 |
| HMRC | Tax | £186.63 |
| Acer | Mowing | £152.00 |
| M Welch | Replacement Rake | £14.99 |
| Bassetlaw | Brown bin | £35.00 |

b) Bank Account

The clerk has received a card and pin but is still unable to use internet banking the bank have sent a letter confirming acceptance of the request.

c) Brown Bin Payment – this was agreed.

8. To consider any highway and related matters.

9. To consider New Business

a) Dawn Contract/holiday pay

Councillors agreed to pay Dawn outstanding holiday pay as recommended by Nottinghamshire County Association.

Councillor T Watmough has circulated draft contracts for the handyman and caretaker. Councillor Smith proposed they be paid the Real living wage £9.50 and hour, seconded by Councillor G Watmough and this was unanimously agreed, the clerk was asked to write and inform them. Councillors felt the draft contracts should be amended to one months notice and there was discussion about keeping a record of hours worked in the Village Hall along with what jobs they have done that day.

10 To consider any planning matters.

a) New Applications

20/01354/HSE Replacement Roof with New Dual Pitch Truss Roof Construction, Installation of New Proprietary External Insulation System with Self Coloured Render to Finish. Single Storey Rear Extension – there were no objections.

b) Decisions

There were no decisions.

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

12. To approve the date and time of next meeting Thursday 7th January 2021 at 19:00 hours.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.28p.m.