

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for the Parish of Nash held in the Village Hall, Stratford Road, Nash on Wednesday 8 May 2019 at 7.00pm.

1. Apologies for absence were received from Sir John Southby, Mrs Alison Williams, Ms Penny Upstone. There were ten residents in attendance in addition to Councillors.
2. Mr Hamilton was appointed Clerk to the meeting.
3. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 17 May 2018 were approved.
4. There were no matters arising from the Minutes.
5. Mr Elwyn Harker mentioned that the gate to the footpath by the Village Hall and the fence alongside it both needed repair which he offered to do. The meeting accepted his kind offer.
6. The Chairman presented a report through Powerpoint of the activities of the Parish Council since the last Annual Parish Meeting. This can be viewed at http://www.nash-bucks-pc.gov.uk/Meetings_17039.aspx

Some of the issues covered included:

- 1) Another busy year for the Parish Council.
- 2) A decision has been made to create one new Unitary Council for Buckinghamshire on 1/5/2020 amalgamating Buckinghamshire County Council, Aylesbury Vale District Council and the other District Councils in Buckinghamshire.
- 3) The Parish Councillors this year (who are all unpaid volunteers) have been Mike Williams, David Carter, Len York, Susan Castle-Smith, Jo Jones (who has now resigned), Barry Wyke and Bill Affleck.
- 4) Six planning applications were considered.
- 5) Nash Park continues to be an issue that takes up a lot of the Parish Council's time. The planning application at Church Farm for 9 houses is still outstanding as is the reinstatement of the original Church Farm building.
- 6) The Parish Council is responsible for the maintenance of the grass verges on behalf of BCC as well as its own grass areas.
- 7) The Village Pond has been cleared again and the posts by the village pond repaired.
- 8) Work to comply with the Transparency Code and GDPR has been carried out.
- 9) An emergency Plan has been completed (subject to identifying vulnerable residents in the village) and appears on the Parish Council website.
- 10) A Play-Around the Parish event was held last summer although this was not as well attended as in the previous year.
- 11) The precept was increased by £273 to £13,573.
- 12) A complaint was received by the Parish Council about the use of fireworks on the evening of New Year. There is however little that the

Parish Council can do about this other than to publish advice which it did in the Village Newsletter.

- 13) The condition of the footpath alongside Holywell Cottages (which was repaired by Transport for Buckingham) remains a concern. TfB have said that they will look at this again.
 - 14) The S.106 moneys available to the village. The Village Hall Committee does not wish to extend the Village Hall so further consideration needs to be given by the village and the Parish Council as to how to use this money.
7. Mr Des Hickey reported that the Neighbourhood Plan Committee has met over 20 times. All residents have been consulted by leaflet, Village Newsletter and the website about the contents of the proposed Plan. Thirty-five comments were received in response to the consultation and details of those comments will appear on the Parish Council website. The aim is to have the Plan completed by the end of 2019.
 8. There was a short update on policing matters from Thames Valley Police.
 9. A number of matters were raised by village organisations:
 - 1) On behalf of the Village Hall Committee the Chairman, Mr Mike Williams, reported that the Community Café started in the year of review and this has been very successful. The Pop-up-Pump also continues to thrive, and number 47 will take place on May Bank Holiday. The Village Hall Committee's finances are healthy.
 - 2) Neighbourhood Watch. Mr Mike Williams mentioned that there is no co-ordinator for this in the village and a volunteer is required
 - 3) Parochial Church Council. Mr John King mentioned the support for the church from the village.
 - 4) Allotments Committee. Mr John King said the almost all of the allotments were taken. They are almost completely organic. The Allotments Committee makes a grant each year for the over 60s Christmas tea.
 - 5) Village Newsletter. Mrs Margaret Hedges said the finances for the Newsletter are sound owing to the funds received from advertisements.
 10. There were no matters raised by Local Government Electors on the current Electoral Roll for Nash.
 11. There were no urgent matters for discussion.
 12. There was a vote of thanks from the floor for the work of Councillors and the Clerk on behalf of the village.

The meeting finished at 7. 42pm.