

**Minutes of a MEETING OF NASH PARISH COUNCIL held
on Thursday 15 November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Stratford Road, Nash**

- 1 In attendance were Councillors Williams (Chairman), Carter, York, Affleck and Councillor Sir B. Stanier, Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) and Councillor J. Chilver, Buckinghamshire County Council (BCC), Mr Hamilton, Parish Clerk and three members of the public.
- 2 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Wyke and Jones. Councillor Castle-Smith did not attend.
- 3 There were no declarations of interest in any matter to be discussed.
- 4 There was a Public Forum at which one member of the public raised the matter of road accidents at the Thornborough/Thornton crossroad, just outside Nash, and whether there was anything that could be done by the Parish Council to address the problem. In response the Chairman commented that there was not anything the Parish Council could do and it was a matter for the Highways Authority, BCC. However, the matter had some relevance to the issue of delegated road works which would be discussed later.
- 5 The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20/9/2018 were approved
- 6 There were no matters to consider from those Minutes and which were not listed elsewhere on the Agenda.

7 Finance

1. Approval was given for the payment of the following items of expenditure:

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Date	Payee	Method	Details		amount
Oct 15	Blackwell Gdn Svs	e/tronic	September grass		323.42
Oct 15	M.Williams	e/tronic	Wreath for Remembrance Service		18.99
Sep 26	Village Hall Comm	e/tronic	1/2 year hall hire		139.00
Oct 22	ICO	Direct D	Annual renewal fee		35.00
	Walker Grounds				
Oct 23	Care	e/tronic	September grass		400.00
Oct 23	visionict	e/tronic	Annual website hosting		150.00

The Clerk's expenses of £3.74 were approved for payment.

2. The current financial position was considered and noted.
3. Consideration was given to anticipated levels of expenditure for the 2019/2020 financial year and the Precept for the same. Money would need to be set aside for further work on the village pond, see later. Also if there is a Parish Council election next year then provision for this would need to be made. Whether or not the election will take place in 2019 is still being considered.

8 Planning

(A) New Applications:

- 1) 18/03158/APP - OS 8337 Holywell Farm Thornton Road.
Erection of new machine storage barn and facilities block (part retrospective). This has been approved by the Parish Council.

- 2) 18/03787/ALB - Church Farm 4 Stratford Road Reinstatement wall. This has been approved by the Parish Council.
- 3) 18/03145/APP - Meadow Farm Stratford Road Nash MK17 0EF Buckinghamshire 10 X 16m Timber pole barn for hay storage (Retrospective). This has been approved by the Parish Council.

(B) The current position on the proposed Nash Neighbourhood Plan was considered. It was noted that this was now ready to go to the pre-submission stage. The Parish Council considered it best to offer hard copies of the document to those who could not view it electronically rather than offer this option to everyone. It might be necessary to arrange for the Plan to be printed externally if a lot of copies are required. A copy of the Plan is to be kept in the Village Hall. On behalf of the Parish Council the Chairman complimented the Working Party on the production of a comprehensive and professional Neighbourhood Plan.

(C) The consideration of other planning matters affecting Nash:

- 1) Nash Park. The Parish Council noted that it had not heard anything for some time from AVDC regarding the current position on the enforcement of the High Court injunction regarding this site. One Councillor reported that there was concern that the dividing fence between the 'authorised' part of the site and the 'undeveloped' part had been moved so as to make the former larger. The Clerk was requested to raise this with AVDC and to ascertain the current position. Also residents to be advised via the newsletter to report any concerns concerning planning infringements at the site to the Enforcement Section of AVDC.
- 2) Church Farm rebuilding. It was noted that this was proceeding and that the new structure appeared to be larger than the previous building. It was not known whether AVDC had yet approved the rebuilding of the boundary wall on Stratford Road notwithstanding its potentially dangerous condition.
- 3) Planning application for 9 houses at Church Farm. It was noted that a decision on this was still awaited.
- 4) Gypsy site on Little Horwood Road. It was noted that works had been carried out on site although the planning permission was restricted to named individuals and for a limited period of time.
- 5) Elm Farm. It was reported that the planning application for log cabins had been withdrawn. However, two static caravans remained on site. The Clerk reported that AVDC enforcement were considering the site and the Clerk was asked to contact AVDC for an update on the current position.

9 Matters around the village.

- 1) S106 project. The Clerk to obtain written confirmation from AVDC that the provision of communal facilities for the village by an extension to the village hall falls within the criteria for the use of the S106 moneys.
- 2) Village pond. Councillor Affleck has obtained one quotation from a contractor. It was noted that Thornborough PC have recently had pond work carried out and enquires will be made as to who they used. Further quotations are to be sought and a meeting with contractors and councillors arranged. A budget was set for the works.
- 1) Proposal to plant trees on the bank adjacent to Winslow Road. Councillor Williams reported that free trees are available from Woodland Trust which could be used for planting on the bank although these will need to be planted by spring next year. Councillor Wyke is dealing with the matter and has promised to progress the project on his return from holiday. Before work is carried out it will be necessary to obtain a licence from TfB. So that TfB can consider the matter a plan showing what trees are to be planted and where together with details of the trees to be planted needs to be produced. The full detail of what is required has already been outlined in an email from TfB circulated by the Clerk to councillors. As an external contractor will be required for the work a budget will need to be set for the project and which should include TfB's administrative charge. All of this information needs to be provided in time for the Parish Council's January meeting so that the proposal can be approved by the Parish Council and then be submitted to TfB for approval. Consideration will also need to be given as to how any such tree planting will impact on the grass cutting of the bank.
- 3) The possible development of land adjacent to the recreation ground. The third-party acting for the land owner has proposed a meeting with the Parish Council so that they can describe what they have in mind. As yet no date set for the meeting.

10 North Bucks PPC. Councillor Carter reported that Councillor Strachen from AVDC did not attend the last meeting as promised where he was to answer certain planning questions.

11 The proposed Oxford to Cambridge Expressway and corridor development. The Clerk reported that he had attended a public meeting in Winslow hosted by Highways England. They are collating information with a view to publishing in autumn 2019 a number of options for the proposed expressway. This will be followed by a public inquiry over the proposed route. Work is planned to start in 2025 and with completion of the expressway in 2030.

12 Buckinghamshire County Council.

- 1) A proposal to delegate to the Parish Council responsibility for road repairs. The Parish Council agreed in principle to the proposal as it would give the Parish Council control over local road repairs. However as BCC had not answered any of the questions or addressed any of the issues put to them in the amendments and comments on the Memorandum of Understanding the Parish Council were not able to enter into it in its present form. Councillors have also to consider and agree which councillors will be responsible for investigating and supervising road repairs and to what extent they were, or need to be, qualified to do so. The Clerk to remind BCC that no response has been received from them on the various matters raised.
- 2) Current position re devolution of services for 2019 and grass cutting arrangements. In view of the pending transition to a Unitary Authority BCC wish to limit this to a one-

year arrangement. Again, BCC have not provided information on what is proposed, in particular the level of funding. The Clerk to remind BCC on this as well.

- 3) Triangle of land adjacent to Little Horwood and Winslow Roads. This remains on the list of projects to be carried out by TfB in the current financial year.
- 4) The proposal for a new Unitary Authority. The decision on this has now been made in favour one new Unitary Authority and the details of what this will involve is awaited.

13 Aylesbury Vale District Council.

- 1) VALP position. Councillor Sir B. Stanier reported that the Interim Report had been produced by the Planning Inspector who had said the VALP could be acceptable subject to certain further changes that he has suggested being incorporated.

14 Dates of next meetings: Thursdays 10 January (second Thursday) and 21 March. May meeting for APM and APCM to be agreed. Remaining meetings for the year to be 18 July, 19 September and 21 November unless agreed otherwise.

15 Any urgent matters for reporting and noting.

- 1) Councillor Chilver reported that Chapel Lane has now been identified by TfB as requiring repair.
- 2) Councillor Carter reported that Coddimoor Lane in Whaddon is due to be closed for several days which will mean diverting traffic via Nash. He was concerned that if this meant routing traffic down the High Street it would lead to congestion in the rush hour as it was already very busy at peak times. The Clerk to raise with TfB.
- 3) A resident raised the possibility of lights on the footpath adjacent to the Village Hall should the Hall be extended as such extension would mean that there would be little light on the footpath at night.

The meeting closed at 8.48pm.