

## Nash Parish Council (NPC)

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 18 November 2021, in Nash Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr Williams (Chair); Cllr Carter; Cllr Collins, Cllr Shekar; Cllr York;  
Buckinghamshire Council Cllr Sir Beville Stanier (Items 1 – 8 (b) and 9).

**In Attendance:** Alison Robinson (Clerk) and eight members of the public.

### 1 Apologies for Absence

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Cllrs Hickey, Wyke and Chilver.
- 1.2 The Chair wished Cllr Hickey a speedy recovery on behalf of NPC.

### 2 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda

- 2.1 No interests were declared.

### 3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- 3.1 NPC **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting on 23 September 2021. The minutes were then signed by the Chair as an accurate record.
- 3.2 NPC **resolved** to approve the minutes of the extraordinary meeting on 5 October 2021. The minutes were then signed by the Chair as an accurate record.
- 3.3 Cllr Shekar was warmly welcomed to his first meeting of NPC.

### 4 Public Participation Session

- 4.1 The following matters were raised:
  - (a) Following the decision to award the contract for the play area refurbishment to Kompan UK Ltd, whether changes had been made to the play equipment to reflect the input made by the resident raising the matter.
  - (b) The recent discussion on the Nash Social WhatsApp Group about the desirability of broadcasting NPC meetings to enable residents unable to attend in person to follow the proceedings.
  - (c) Whether the NPC Standing Orders were available to the public.
- 4.2 The Chair explained:
  - (a) NPC would discuss the play area refurbishment under agenda item **8.1**.
  - (b) The broadcasting of meetings had been raised too late for the matter to be discussed at the current meeting.
  - (c) The Standing Orders were published on the NPC website:  
<http://www.nash-bucks.pc.gov.uk>.

### 5 Planning

- 5.1 **21/03807/APP** 3 Stratford Road, Nash, MK17 0ES. Household application for proposed single story rear extension and external glazing alterations.
- 5.2 NPC **resolved** to endorse the no objection consultation response prepared by Cllrs York and Wyke.
- 5.3 **21/03776/APP** Plots 2,4,6 and 7 Nash Park. Change of use of land to use as a residential gypsy/traveller site, including an increase in the number of caravans to a total of 15, of which no more than 8 shall be static caravans/mobile homes occupied for residential purposes, together with retention of existing ancillary building.
- 5.4 NPC **resolved** to endorse the consultation response opposing the application led by Cllrs Carter and Hickey.

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5.5 **Appeal 21/00050/REF against 19/02438/APP** Nash Park increase the number of pitches from 11 to 12.

5.6 NPC **resolved** to endorse the consultation response opposing the appeal led by Cllrs Carter and Hickey.

### Ongoing Planning Matters

5.7 NPC **noted** the report about ongoing planning matters.

### Nash Neighbourhood Plan

5.8 The Chair of the Nash Neighbourhood Plan Committee talked about how he had unsuccessfully tried to contact the new Buckinghamshire Council Officer responsible for neighbourhood plans.

5.9 In response to a question from the Chair about the changes approved at the September meeting, Cllr Carter undertook to give priority to providing the map.

**Action:** Cllr Carter to provide the map.

### Other Planning Matters

5.10 No further matters were raised.

## 6 Finance Report

### Payments and Receipts

6.1 NPC **resolved** to approve the following payments:

Date	Recipient	Description	Amount
03/09/2021	Camiers	Grab lorry for pond clearance	£576.00
03/09/2021	One Place Accounting & Payroll Ltd	Payroll services	£50.00
03/09/2021	NJ Blackwell Garden Services	Parish grass August	£344.40
03/09/2021	Walker Grounds Care	Devolved grass August	£430.50
28/09/2021	Mr & Mrs LM & CH York	Tape and bag reimbursement	£9.44
28/09/2021	D A Carter Esq	Course Fee reimbursement	£60.00
28/09/2021	eon	Streetlighting Quarterly Maintenance	£49.50
29/09/2021	HMRC	PAYE July - September	£191.00
29/09/2021	Alison Robinson	Salary July - September Error (£838.72)	£954.72
29/09/2021	Luke Cooper - LJC Carpentry	Pond bridge/knee rail refurbishment	£1,600.00
30/09/2021	eon	Streetlighting August	£37.72
01/10/2021	Mr G White	Deposit for replacement bench	£168.00
07/10/2021	NJ Blackwell Garden Services	Parish grass September	£344.40
07/10/2021	Walker Grounds Care	Devolved grass September	£430.50
07/10/2021	Alison Robinson	Microsoft 365 reimbursement	£59.99
07/10/2021	Vision ICT	Website hosting and support	£150.00
18/10/2021	eon	Streetlighting September	£41.95
19/10/2021	Luke Cooper - LJC Carpentry	Pump renovation	£675.00
26/10/2021	ICO	Annual certificate	£35.00
27/10/2021	Nash Village Hall Committee	Hire and PO box 1.4-30.9.21	£204.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£6,412.12</b>

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6.2 NPC **noted** the following receipts:

Date	Received From	Description	Amount
03/09/2021	HSBC	General Reserve interest	£0.36
03/09/2021	HSBC	Earmarked Reserve interest	£0.07
10/09/2021	Bucks Council	Precept second instalment	£8,405.00
29/09/2021	Alison Robinson	Salary error repayment	£116.00
27/10/2021	NVHC	Bus Shelter match funding	£550.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£9,071.43</b>

### Financial Position: on 30 September and 31 October 2021

6.3 NPC **noted** the financial position on 30 September 2021:

<b>Bank Statement Balance as at 30.9.21</b>		
Current/Community Account	21211633	£9,039.54
General Reserve Account	31211862	£14,248.42
Asset Reserve Account	41212850	£2,892.76
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>		<b>£26,180.72</b>
<b>Cash Book</b>		
Opening Balance as at 01.9.21		£21,962.57
Add Receipts		£8,521.43
Less Payments		£4,303.28
Closing Balance as at 30.9.21		<b>£26,180.72</b>

6.4 NPC **noted** the financial position on 31 October 2021:

<b>Bank Statement Balance as at 31.10.21</b>		
Current/Community Account	21211633	£7,480.70
General Reserve Account	31211862	£14,248.42
Asset Reserve Account	41212850	£2,892.76
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>		<b>£24,621.88</b>
<b>Cash Book</b>		
Opening Balance as at 01.10.21		£26,180.72
Add Receipts		£550.00
Less Payments		£2,108.84
Closing Balance as at 31.10.21		<b>£24,621.88</b>

### Asset Register

6.5 NPC **resolved** to approve the write-off of the bus shelter and the bench on the recreation ground that was being replaced. The replacement assets would be added to the register once in situ.

## 7 Draft Budget for Financial Year 2022/23

7.1 NPC **noted** the information provided in the covering paper to explain the 2022/3 schedule and the approach adopted for the draft budget build provided in the accompanying spreadsheet.

7.2 NPC **resolved** to approve the recommended 5% inflation increase<sup>1</sup> and confirmed it did not wish to suggest any changes to the draft budget.

<sup>1</sup> The clerk's salary and streetlighting both have different increase rates.

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### 8 Matters Around the Village

#### Nash Recreation Ground and Play Area

- 8.1 The S106 funding application had been submitted to Buckinghamshire Council shortly after the last meeting. However, approval remained outstanding because the Finance Department had stated its current process was not in line with Buckinghamshire Council's constitution for 'non ring-fenced' S106 contributions. Kompan had undertaken to hold prices until the end of the calendar year which meant approval was imperative to allow the order to be placed before prices increased.
- 8.2 NPC **resolved** to ask:
- (a) Cllr Stanier to raise the matter with Cllrs Chilver and Goss to establish how best to secure approval in the required timescale.
  - (b) The Clerk to write to the Director of Culture, Sport and Leisure to press the urgency of the matter.

**Action:** Cllr Stanier and the Clerk to take forward.

#### The Pond

- 8.3 When time permitted further consideration would be given to obtaining grant funding for a major renovation of the pond to create an adult recreation space.

#### Bus Shelter Book Exchange

- 8.4 The roof of the redundant bus shelter had been removed. The remaining structure would be dismantled by Cllrs Collins, Shekar, Williams and York at the weekend. A concrete crusher had been hired to deal with the rubble which would be used to improve the public footpath at the end of Wood End.

#### The Old Chapel Graveyard

- 8.6 The graveyard was now being maintained by volunteers and the trustees were considering whether to sell it to NPC for £1.

#### Nash High Street 20 MPH Zone

- 8.7 Cllr Carter reported 20 MPH zones were not supported by Buckinghamshire Council because they were unenforceable.

#### A421 Accidents and Traffic Diverted Through Nash

- 8.8 Cllr Carter undertook to contact the other local parishes with a view to arranging a meeting with the police to discuss the development of an emergency plan for diverting traffic when the A421 was closed by an accident.

**Action:** Cllr Carter to take forward.

- 8.9 In response to a question, Cllr Carter said Buckinghamshire Council only supported the type of vehicle activated signs that NPC had.

**Post meeting note:** Cllr Carter subsequently advised this information was in correct. He has undertaken to investigate the cost of more modern signs.

- 8.10 The Chair asked the Clerk to investigate traffic calming measures.

**Action:** Clerk to investigate traffic calming measures.

- 8.14 The Chair talked about the need to arrange for the Stratford Road to be closed during future Remembrance Day services.

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### **Discovering and Celebrating the Untold History of Nash**

8.11 Cllr Shekar explained how he wished to lead a project designed to capture the village history from long-standing residents with the help A level history students. The second phase of the project would then identify four or five things to be celebrated.

8.12 NPC **resolved** to approve Cllr Shekar's proposal.

**Action:** Cllr Shekar to take forward.

### **Commemorative Bench**

8.13 The replacement bench for the Recreation Ground had recently been delivered. It would be installed once it had been oiled.

8.14 NPC **resolved** to approve a request from the Talmer family for permission to buy a brass plaque for the bench to commemorate their son who had died recently.

### **Any Other Matters Around the Village**

8.15 No further matters were raised.

### **Individual Councillor Specific Responsibilities**

8.16 Cllr Shekar confirmed he was willing to be responsible for hedges and footpaths.

## **9 Buckinghamshire Council**

The Chair took this item after Item 4 at the request of Councillor Stanier.

9.1 Cllr Sir Beville Stanier talked about the challenges of setting the Buckinghamshire Council's budget., He explained how the unspent 2020/1 community board funding would not be carried over again, However, he thought that any unspent 2021/2 community board funding might be carried over to the 2022/3 financial year. He encouraged NPC to apply for community board funding. Cllr Stanier also mentioned:

- (a) The new Winslow station carpark.
- (b) The appointment of HS2/EWR marshals.
- (c) The recent approval of the climate change strategy.
- (d) The online consultation about the new Winslow sports hub.

9.2 The Chair thanked Cllr Stanier and suggested NPC should consider appointing a project group to develop project proposals for possible funding applications.

**Post meeting note:** The Coordinator for W&VCB has subsequently clarified there will be no carry over of any unspent 2021/2 funding.

## **10 Winslow and Villages Community Board (W&VCB)**

10.1 Cllr Carter referred to the written report he had circulated after the recent W&VCB meeting. The Clerk undertook to apply to the Big Bucks Tidy Up for litter picking equipment and to include litter picking as an item on the next agenda.

**Action:** Clerk to take forward.

## **11 North Bucks Parishes Planning Consortium (NBPPC)**

11.1 NBPPC continued to be largely focused on the Cambridge to Oxford Arc.

## **12 Urgent Matters for Report and/or the Next Agenda**

12.1 The following matters would be discussed at the January meeting:

- Nash in Bloom.
- Broadcasting NPC meeting.

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**13 Future Meetings**

13.1 Thursday 20 January 2022, at 7.30pm, in Nash Village Hall.

**Meeting closed at:** 8.40pm.

**Chair's signature:** .....

**Date:** .....