

**Minutes of the Nash Parish Council Meeting held on  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr Williams (Chair), Cllr Phillips, Cllr Boothby, Cllr Nicholson, Cllr Collins, Cllr Collyer, Kelly Harris, Clerk & RFO

Buckinghamshire Council: Cllr Chilver

In attendance: There were no members of the public (MoP) in attendance

**1. To receive apologies for absence**

No apologies received; all Cllrs were in attendance.

**2. Co-option of Parish Councillor vacancy**

The applicant, Mr Simon Lascelles, was not in attendance, but Cllrs unanimously voted to co-opt him as a Cllr.

The Clerk will contact Mr Lascelles to have the declaration of acceptance of office signed.

Proposed: Cllr Collins / Seconded: Cllr Collyer / Agreed unanimously

**3. To receive declarations of interest**

Cllr Phillips declared an interest in planning application 25/00193/ALB.

**4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024**

The draft minutes were agreed unanimously by those Cllrs in attendance at the last meeting and approved and signed as a true record by the Chair.

Proposed: Cllr Nicholson / Seconded: Cllr Phillips / Agreed unanimously

**Matters Arising from the minutes (not dealt with by the Agenda)**

There was nothing raised.

**5. Public participation session**

No MoP in attendance and nothing raised.

**6. Planning**

**(a) 25/00011/APP The Stables, The Green, Winslow Road**

Change of use of 3 redundant stables buildings and link extension to provide one dwelling

Cllrs resolved to OBJECT to this application unless

- The remainder of the Green has a condition that no further development will be allowed on it (restrictive covenant)
- The stock fencing shown in the picture is also returned to the rest of the boundaries of The Green (currently 6 close board fence that replaced the previous stock fencing recently). Ideally if this land is no longer needed for horses the fence should be removed and the land returned to its original purpose (Village Green)
- The footpath must be maintained
- All necessary drainage to prevent the flooding of Weir Cottage, Brooklands and 2 The green is undertaken.

Cllrs would also like more information on the materials to be used to ensure the final development is in keeping with the local area

- (b) **25/00193/ALB The Old School House, 5 Stratford Road**  
Listed building application for refurbishment of roof including new slates, roofing felt and reused ridge tiles

Cllrs resolved they had NO OBJECTIONS to this application.

(c) **Ongoing Planning Matters**

To receive the written report about ongoing planning matters

There were no comments made on this report.

(d) **Any Other Planning Matters of Relevance to Nash**

Nothing raised.

**7. Finance**

To consider and approve as appropriate the information provided in the finance reports:

**a) Payments and receipts**

The information in the finance reports was unanimously approved.

**b) Financial position on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 as circulated**

The information in the finance reports for November and December 2024 were unanimously approved.

The Clerk was asked by Cllrs to apply for a Council debit card from HSBC. **Action: Clerk**

**8. To agree and adopt the new Financial Regulations, as circulated**

Cllrs approved the new Financial Regulations, with no amendments required.

Proposed: Cllr Collins / Seconded: Cllr Phillips / Agreed unanimously

**9. Matters around the village**

**a) Nash recreation ground and play area**

**• To receive an update on the Safesmart field and community orchard project**

Cllr Nicholson informed Cllrs that the trees for the community orchard were supposed to be delivered on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February, but the company supplying the trees had now confirmed they were to be delivered on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. The trees will now be planted on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February. The stakes for the trees were going in the ground tomorrow (7<sup>th</sup> February).

**• To receive an update on CCTV at the recreation ground**

Cllr Collyer confirmed the CCTV and pole is in stock, but we are waiting for the weather to improve before it is installed. Cllr Collyer will inform the Clerk when payment is required.

**b) Street and road signs**

No progress to report and we are still waiting on Bucks Council to install the signs. Cllr Chilver will escalate again within the council.

Cllr Williams confirmed the flood is back at the Thornborough Rd/Stratford Road junction. Cllr Chilver will escalate to Matt Whincup at Bucks Highways.

**c) Footpaths and hedgerows**

Cllr Boothby confirmed that the kissing gates have arrived, but the ground is currently too wet for them to be installed.

**d) Any other matters around the village**

- **To receive an update on the village pump**

There has been no change with the pump and nothing to update at this time.

- **To discuss quotes received for flood management for the village pond, and agree next steps**

We are still awaiting the second quote, and the Clerk will chase this up. **Action: Clerk**  
Discussions took place over who has responsibility for the pond and ditches and Cllrs believe it is the Parish Councils responsibility to maintain it.

Cllr Nicholson advised that the broken bench at the crossroads of Stratford Road and Thornton Road was now dangerous. Cllr Williams agreed to repair the bench. **Action: Cllr Williams**

**10. To discuss the request received from Thornborough Parish Council asking NPC to work with them to get Buckinghamshire Council to revisit Brakes Crossroads**

Cllrs were happy in principle to help but would like more information on what is required by Thornborough Parish Council.

Cllrs believe changing the priority for this junction and adding more signage would be a quick fix.

**11. Buckinghamshire Council**

Cllr Chilver advised the main focus has been on the budget which goes to full council at the end of February.

Elections on 1<sup>st</sup> May - Nash is in the new Horwood Ward and Cllr Chilver has been selected as the candidate for this area.

He mentioned the consultation on upgrading the A421 and advised that it will not be made into a dual carriage way. Upgrades will be to junctions and roundabouts and if the upgrades go ahead, he believes there will be little improvement to the road.

**12. Winslow and Villages Community Board (W&VCB)**

Cllr Chilver advised the next meeting will be held in March and the Community Board has spent their budget for the year.

**13. North Bucks Parishes Planning Consortium (NBPPC)**

Cllrs Phillips attended the last meeting and advised that the focus had been on the National Planning Policy Framework and its impact on Neighbourhood Plans.

Stewkley has contacted Bucks Council asking for indicative figures for new housing in their parish and it might be worth us doing the same.

Cllr Chilver advised that there is a threat of a new town being created in North Buckinghamshire with over 10,000 new properties.

**14. Urgent matters for report and/or next agenda**

The MVAS still isn't working. Cllr Williams and the Clerk will contact David Carter again to see if he can charge the battery. **Action: Cllr Williams / Clerk**

## 15. Future meetings

To note the date of future NPC meetings:

Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	NPC Meeting
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	NPC Meeting
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	NPC Meeting
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	NPC Meeting
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	NPC Meeting

All meetings will be held in Nash Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their contribution, and declared the meeting closed at 20.33.

Chair: .....

Date: .....

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