

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for the Parish of Nash held in the Village Hall, Stratford Road, Nash on Thursday 17 May 2018 at 7.00pm.**

1. Apologies for absence were received from Sir John Southby, Mrs E. Horton and Mr M. Hedges. 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 24 May 2017 were approved.
4. There were no matters arising from the Minutes.
5. The Chairman presented a report through Powerpoint of the activities of the Parish Council since the last Annual Parish Meeting. The issues covered included:
  - 1) Grass cutting and hedge maintenance has been devolved by Buckinghamshire County Council to the Parish Council. BCC pay £1522 p.a. but the cost to the Parish Council (with more fortnightly cuts rather than the four to six that BCC would provide) is £2,800 p.a.
  - 2) The village pond was cleared last year and planting around the pond is being undertaken.
  - 3) A new website has been created for the Parish Council in order to meet the requirements of the Transparency Code for Parish and Town Councils. The cost was wholly funded by Government's Transparency Fund.
  - 4) Work has been carried out to comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations.
  - 5) Work has been carried out to produce a village Emergency Plan
  - 6) A new internal auditor was appointed, Mr M. Richardson.
  - 7) The Parish Council paid for and hosted a 'Play Around the Parishes' event in the recreation ground.
  - 8) The Parish Council acquired the footpath next to the Village Hall down to the stile for £1 plus Land Registry fees.
  - 9) The precept was increased to £13,300. It was noted that AVDC had included Nash Park in their precept calculations. This has been pointed out to them and they will correct this for the next financial year. This will have the result that next year there will be a reduction in the number of properties within the

Parish which in turn will probably mean the precept for next year will need to increase to allow for this.

- 10) The footpath along Stratford Rd has finally been repaired by BCC.
- 11) Ideas are still being collated for the proposed use of the S106 money. Ideas include using it for an extension to the Village Hall, a signposted village walk, further recreation ground equipment and converting the bus shelter into a book-share library. As the money has to be used within ten years of allocation the intention is to come to a conclusion by end of this year as to what to do with the money.

A copy of the Chairman's Powerpoint presentation is on the Parish Council's website.

6. The meeting received an update from Mr Hickey on the current position concerning the proposed Neighbourhood Plan for Nash. The Plan is now in its public phase and has been sent to a wider group of consultees. Comments are coming back and being considered. Thereafter the Plan will go to an Inspector and then to residents for a Referendum. All being well then AVDC are of the view the Plan should be completed by early 2019.
7. An update on the following planning matters was provided by the Chairman:
  - 1) The position relating to the undeveloped part of Church Farm.
  - 2) The position relating to the proposed development of the paddock behind Church Farm.
  - 3) The position concerning Nash Park.
8. A number of matters were raised by village organisations:
  - 1) On behalf of the Village Hall Committee the Chairman, Mr M. Williams, reported that the Pump was now in its fourth year, the Village Hall had a high speed internet connection and a monthly Community café was being run. A new water supply had been installed. The Village Hall Committee's finances were healthy.
  - 2) Mrs M. Hedges on behalf of the Parochial Church Council reported that it was proposed that Nash, along with Thornborough, Beachampton and Whaddon, would be forming part of a new Benefice (moving out of the Buckingham Benefice);

and that the Associate Priest, Mrs G. Walsh would be leaving in October.

9. There were no matters raised by Local Government Electors on the current Electoral Roll for Nash.
10. There no urgent matters for discussion.
11. 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.