

# Nettleton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Nettleton Village Hall

Present: Cllr. K. Smith – Chair, Cllr. J. Connolly – Vice-Chair, Cllrs. E. Bates & A. Clark. A. O'Reilly, In attendance J. Grainger – Clerk & RFO. Cllr. T. Smith (LCC), 1 member of the public.

The meeting started with a period of public discussion, with reports from around the village of surface water, weeds, tree obstruction, speeding issues, broken manhole cover, closed church yard enquiries – redirected to WLDC, ancient path enquiries, Poors Piece tree planting request. The council thanked the resident for their reports.

**61.22 TO RECEIVE COUNCILLORS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011** – Cllr. J. Connolly – Village Hall.

**62.22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Cllr. T. Regis (WLDC) – accepted.

**63.22 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD June 2022.** These were signed and accepted as a true record. Proposed Cllr. K. Smith (C), seconded Cllr. A. Clark.

**64.22 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM LCC & WLDC DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.**

Cllr. Smith has continued to progress issues around the village including highways flooding, tree maintenance, most of which have now been actioned, for which the Parish Council are very appreciative. In his absence Cllr. Regis offered continued support, informing us that he will not be standing again next year for the post of District Councillor.

**65.22 CLERK REPORT**

The clerk reported that the grass cutting and snow clearance contracts were due for renewal and would gain quotes for the next meeting. Mole control was discussed, with a proposal to restrict the service to March 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Proposed Cllr. O'Reilly, Seconded Cllr. Smith. Resolved. The clerk issued the newsletter for distribution. The Parish Council are very grateful to Steve Barratt for producing this. The clerk reported that grant funding had been successful for the notice board. The clerk discussed meeting date for 2023, proposing to go to bi-monthly meetings. After discussions it was proposed to change to bi-monthly meetings, second Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Resolved.

**66.22 TO AUTHORISE THE SIGNING OF ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND TO NOTE INCOME FOR SEPTEMBER 2022.**

It was proposed, seconded and Resolved: That orders for payment made to the sum of £2628.41, income of £9.93 (interest). Proposed Cllr. K. Smith, seconded Cllr. E. Bates.

**67.22 PLANNING**

145382 – Lapstone Close – no comment – no decision

145271 – Eardley Cottages – no comment – granted

145151 – Watermill – out of area – referred to County Council.

**68.22 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM THE VILLAGE HALL AND RECREATION GROUND.**

Following an email dated 30<sup>th</sup> July from the Village Hall informing the Parish Council that the Charity had now been split, the clerk had made enquiries regarding further requirements. The clerk discussed the transfer of the existing Charity Number of the Village Hall to the Parish Council. The clerk has been advised that the Parish Council will require the new number and not the existing number, as this comes with filing history for the Village Hall income and expenditure, which is not related to the Playing Field. This will need relaying to the Village Hall Committee as soon as possible. Furthermore, the Transfer of ownership of land should be carried out by a solicitor or licensed conveyancer, which the Village Hall will need to organise. The land will also have to be valued, and in due course once progressed will require adding to the asset register and insurance. The Parish Council will require a new policy to manage the area, with amendments to the council's standing orders, before other tasks are required to complete the transition. It was proposed and seconded to write to the Village Hall Committee with these enquiries, in order to progress the agreement.

**69.22 TO DISCUSS PLAY AREA IMPROVEMENTS/EXPANSION**

Cllr. Clark has contacted providers of equipment and distributed 2 quotations for replacement items and improvements. Cllrs. discussed the quotations and proposed work be carried out by PlayDays. Proposed Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr. Connolly. Resolved. Cllr Clark to contact PlayDays and progress the work. Further expansion of the area would be discussed in the new year, once the Charity split has been implemented. The clerk reported that the annual inspection was due in October, with no exact date given.

**70.22 TO DISCUSS VILLAGE MAINTENANCE**

The clerk requested permission to go ahead and order the notice boards, following the successful grant application, which was authorized. The clerk reported that the order for new larger litter bins had been progressed for the rambler's car park. The clerk also reported that grit bins needed inspecting, photographing, and pinning – using the fixmystreet app, in order to provide as much information as possible to the LCC grit bin filling co-ordinator, following last year's criticism, ensuring no litter had been left in the grit bins, clearing if necessary.

**71.22 TO DISCUSS APPLICATION FOR COUNCILLOR VACANCY**

Cllr. O'Reilly reported that an application had been received in relation to current the councillor vacancies. After discussion and consideration it was proposed and seconded to welcome Ms Langmaid as a Parish Councillor to the November meeting. Proposed Cllr.O'Reilly, seconded Cllr. Bates. Resolved.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm  
Date of next 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022