NYMPSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the meeting of Nympsfield Parish Council (NPC) held at Nympsfield Village Hall on Monday, 12th July 2021

21/072: Present:

Cllr S Price (Chair), Cllr P Tomiak-Baquero, Cllr T Gaunt, C Fairbrother, clerk.

21/073: Apologies:

Cllr E Sturgess (Vice Chair), Cllr G Warden, Stroud District Cllr M Pearcy, Gloucester County Cllr W Thomas.

21/074: Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th June were unanimously agreed. No personal interests were declared.

21/075: Public questions/participation:

Mr Peter Wooldridge of Wooldridge Milk Products gave a presentation of his ideas for utilising the Nympsfield bus shelter to locate vending machines for milk and associated products. Questions were raised about liability, lease length, planning implications and cleanliness and tidiness. Undoubted interest in the scheme was expressed, offering as it would a potentially valuable service to Nympsfield residents and visitors. Mr Wooldridge was thanked for his presentation and Council have undertaken to enquire into certain of the questions raised. Council is aware of the current use of the shelter as a book exchange and donation space and would wish to canvas views from Nympsfield residents on the way forward. A decision will be made in a timely manner, but not until all considerations have been addressed.

21/076: District and County councillor's reports:

Neither councillor was present but reports have been received.

21/077: Planning matters:

S.21/1613/HHOLD Location: Malt House Farm, Church Street, Nympsfield, Stonehouse. Application Type: Householder Application Description: Erection of ground and first floor extension and porch. Web Link:

https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.21/1613/HHOLD

NPC offered no comment to this planning application.

S.21/1556/HHOLD Location: Close Hill, Front Street, Nympsfield, Stonehouse. Application Type: Householder Application Description: Conversion of loft, dormer window and erection of rear extension. Web Link:

https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.21/1556/HHOLD

NPC offered no comment to this planning application.

21/078: Payments of the Council:

Staff, payroll, Village Hall cleaning for May were agreed and cheques signed.

21/079: Clerk's report:

Clerk will pursue the adoption of internet banking and report progress to NPC. Financial reporting to be on a more frequent basis.

21/080: Climate change and Sustainability policy:

This point was introduced by Cllr Gaunt, who addressed the issue facing organisations and individuals across the country – there is a wish to make a contribution, but also uncertainty as to what to do and how to do it. Stroud DC have a published strategy. One approach would be to consult with them and shape any actions by NPC to sit within their framework.

A deliverable from this process might be the production of a 'Nympsfield Climate Action Plan' which could be a 'road map' to inform all future behaviours. A practical outcome might be to apply conditions to grant awards which would result in mitigation of climate/carbon impacts, tree planting for example in return for funding for development or equipment.

The Chair also suggested contact with Severn Wye Energy Agency and the centre for Sustainable Energy for advice and ideas. Cllr Gaunt proposed to consult as far as possible and report next month.

21/081: Potential purchase by NPC of the Glebe:

The Vice Chair has suggested a ballpark cost to the Church land agents. At the time of the meeting a response is awaited.

21/082: Defibrillator Training:

The meeting closed at 0.00nm

Cllr Tomiak-Baquero has made enquiries. Red Cross training would cost approx. £450 for 12 people. NPC might be prepared to subsidise some of this. How to arrange this training to get the best value for all Nympsfield residents is to be the subject of further discussion. Awareness raising of the defibrillator – location, procedure for use – should be made via a regular piece in the newsletter. Clerk to draft a piece in time for the next one.

21/083: Councillors' topics for next month:

Cllr Gaunt - Climate Change and Sustainability progress report.

Cllr Gaunt – Uley pharmacy closure. Discuss and agree on draft letter of objection to be sent to NHS England to make deadline of August 14th.

The meeting closed at 5.00pm.	
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