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**MINUTES of the meeting of Nympsfield Parish Council
(NPC) held at Nympsfield Village Hall on Monday, 10th January
2022**

22/001: Present:

Cllr S Price (Chair), Cllr E Sturgess (Vice Chair), Cllr P Tomiak-Baquero, Cllr T Gaunt, Cllr R Clements, Gloucester County Cllr W Thomas, Stroud District Cllr M Percy, C Fairbrother (Clerk), one member of the public.

22/002: Minutes and Declarations:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13th December were approved subject to a wording change. Chair to sign amended version next month. No declarations of personal interest were received.

22/003: District and County councillors' reports:

County Councillor Thomas.

- Frocester Hill – Glos Highways are being urged to consider safety measures at and around the crossroads at the top. The incident website shows most but not all accidents, several accidents recently. Chair requested that NPC are consulted on any change. This item was further discussed as an agenda item later.

- Bus survey – deadline 30th January. Clerk has posted to website and noticeboard.

- Enforcement - As Cllr Thomas was due to leave having delivered her report, this item was brought forward for her attention. A County enforcement team are inspecting David's Lane soon. Issues include 'bundling', change of use, excavation, material movement. David's Lane has deteriorated especially where farm vehicles cross and turn. Footpaths ploughed, replanted. Cllr Thomas noted NPC concern.

District Councillor Percy.

- Funding for house insulation available.

- With regard to Rose & Crown outbuildings, which seem to be in a state of permanent rebuild – Cllr Percy noted NPC concern, but commented that progress would be hard to enforce.

22/004: Planning matters: No applications received this month.

It was noted that developments at Scar Hill appear to be of the nature requiring planning control, but NPC are unaware of any planning application. Chair to draft letter to the enforcement team.

22/005: Payments of the Council:

Payroll, Village Hall hire for December, Nympsfield Newsletter printing costs for the Jan Feb issue and website maintenance costs were agreed and cheques signed.

22/006: Clerk's report:

Rose and Crown floodwater – drain cleared, flood water now passing direct into drain.

NPC have been asked for historic minutes regarding the proposed new restricted byway towards Uley. Clerk has discovered that some exist but are in private hands. He will try to negotiate their return, not only to fulfil the request but also because they represent valuable historic documents.

NPC has a certain amount of unspent CIL levy. Chair asked Cllr Pearcy if he could clarify any rules on spending.

22/007: Climate Change/Resilience Plan:

Nothing to report this month. Cllr Gaunt will update NPC on progress at the March meeting.

22/008: Bus Shelter:

Use of Bus Shelter as milk products vending point – clerk and Vice Chair conducted a meeting with Peter Wooldridge in December. He is now investigating provision of electricity and any requirements for planning consent.

22/009: The Glebe:

Vice Chair reported that no further feedback from Church agents has been received, having agreed a fixed sum of £2k for legal costs.

A discussion centred on the appropriate level of due diligence needed and how the Glebe might be managed going forward. This included forming a management group, the volunteer effort needed and some of the responsibilities which will fall to NPC, including repair of stone walls, hedgerows etc. Chair expressed thanks to Ian Crossland – none of this could have been possible without the Glebe having first secured Village Green status.

Next steps - appoint local firm of solicitors to advise NPC, preferably at fixed price.

22/010: Annual Spring Clean:

The annual rubbish collection, cleaning of signs etc. Following a brief discussion, Sunday 10th April was agreed. Advertising to be via newsletter, website, noticeboard.

22/011: Road Safety:

Cllr Tomiak-Baquero has been in correspondence with Gloucester Highways Dept who have proposed change for Frocester Hill. Having provided input, we await the result of their deliberations.


22/012: Councillors items for next month:

Queens Jubilee – interested people to form committee?

How best to interact with other village committees.

Play money – how to administer.

The meeting ended at 9pm.

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