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

22/126: Present:

Cllr S Price (Chair), Cllr P Tomiak-Baquero (Vice Chair), Cllr T Gaunt, Cllr R Clements, Cllr A. Robertson, two members of the public, C Fairbrother (Clerk).

22/127: Apologies:

County Cllr Thomas, District Cllr Pearcy.

22/128: Minutes and Declarations:

The Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 8th August were approved. No declarations of personal interest were received.

22/129: Public Participation:

The owners of the Lodge House at Woodchester Park presented to the council their revised plans for its redevelopment. NPC gave their thanks for the informative talk, which would help inform their deliberations later in the meeting. Having delivered their presentation, the owners left the meeting.

22/130: District and County Councillors' reports:

Both reports received with thanks by email. Warnings of future bus service curtailments were noted. Exactly how or if this would affect Nympsfield is unclear. Stroud Cost of Living support highlighted. NPC debated best method of disseminating such information. A possible NPC Facebook page will be investigated.

22/131: Planning matters:

S.22/1988/HHOLD The Lodge House, Woodchester Park, Nympsfield. Demolition of single storey rear extension and detached garage building, erection of single storey rear extension with basement and single storey glazed link to main house, internal alterations to main house, erection of detached 1.5 storey garage building, associated landscaping works and erection of stone piers to support a new gate at driveway entrance. (Resubmission of Planning Application ref: S.22/0610/HHOLD) NPC voted to object again to these amended proposals.

S.22/2021/HHOLD and S.22/2007/FUL Close Hill, Front St, Nympsfield. Conversion of roof space, rear dormer window, single storey rear extension and front porch

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extension and proposed change of use from agricultural to residential garden (Use Class C3).

NPC made no objection, subject to the removal of permitted development rights in connection with the change of use from agricultural land.

22/132: Financial Matters - Payments of the Council:

PATA Payroll Services July, August and September £23.85

Village Hall cleaning July, August and September £195

British Red Cross Defibrillator course £300.00

Stroud Living Landscapes - village grass cuts (5) May to September £425.00

Softlink Computer Systems - website maintenance September £21.60

Salary & expenses August and September £420.20

HMRC tax August and September £105.00

Receipts from defibrillator course bookings £120, £45 outstanding.

2nd quarter Bank reconciliation and performance against budget presented and noted.

22/133: Clerk's Report:

There was no take up of public rights following publication of the internal audit.

A theft of tiles from the bus shelter roof has been reported to the police. They have no expectation of a conviction. Two builders to be asked for a quotation.

Progress towards the milk vending machine operation in the bus shelter has stalled on change of use planning. An application has been resubmitted.

Next year's internal auditor. GAPTC were proposed to continue and this was agreed. Clerk to engage GAPTC.

Insurance claim against NPC – clerk to check Land Register record of ownership of Barrow. It is believed the Barrow is Church land.

22/134: Play Equipment Report: Document to be circulated and discussed next month.

22/135: Highways:



New Highways manager is Gary Wilson. Clerk reported that no consultation on the new scheme for Frocester Hill junction has been offered despite requests from the Parish Council. Re potential speed limit through Cockadilly, NPC were informed that no VAS will be positioned along the road, because of the health and safety issues associated with erecting the equipment along this 60mph road. NPC asked clerk to invite Gary Wilson to talk at a future NPC meeting.

22/136: Glebe:

Contact with Bruton Knowles proving difficult. Chair to continue to press.

22/137: Bus Shelter:

Mr Wooldridge reported to the clerk that the process to gain change of use planning consent had stalled but is now in motion again.

22/138: Defibrillator Course Date:

Set for Friday 14th October. 11 residents booked on the course.

22/139: Warm Bank:

The Working Men's Club was reported as being positive towards the idea. Currently it opens every day. Cllr Clements continues to speak to the WMC. Some funding from Stroud DC might be available to support. NPC could also support.

Chair also raised the point that there is no joint gas/electric supply in Nympsfield - does the govt have a plan to cap oil/electric? Chair to draft letter to Siobhan Baillie MP. Clerk to ask Mike Nichols how many residents are in the oil buying group.

22/140: Councillors' items for Future Discussion:

None this month.

The meeting ended at 9:00pm.

