

NYMPFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on
11th July 2015 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Miss Cowle (vice chair), Mrs Hardy and Mr Acton

In Attendance: Cllr Lydon, 4 parishioners

Apologies: Cllr Mrs Sturgess and Mrs Pittaway

15/66 Declarations of Interests

None.

15/67 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 8th June

Previously circulated, the minutes meeting of the Parish Council were confirmed as a true record and signed by the chair.

15/68 Progress Reports for Information

Report from Cllr Lydon: Cllr Lydon sent his report prior to the meeting. Cllr Lydon suggested that all councils write to the County Council with Highways issues to highlight concerns about the Amey contract.

Repair of wall behind Benton Court: no update

Benton Court Security Improvements: Work has been completed. Cllr Cowle to check the lighting. Review in 12 months.

Repair of Boundary Walls and Stiles: The stile on the A46 has been repaired. Repairs to the wall at the top Blackberry Lane are outstanding. Clerk to write to Mr. Smith thanking him for works carried out and enquiring about Blackberry Lane.

Dog fouling: Poster to be put up.

Repair of Sara Wooldridge memorial plaque: To be carried out over the summer.

SC

Clerk

DA/SC

SC

15/69 Affordable Housing

The public consultation was held on the 6th July. 58 people attended and 30 comments were received on day. A further 2 comments were sent by email after the event. Ms. Phimister to review the comments and create a report for the council.

Update to be placed in the village newsletter.

Clerk

15/70 Village Maintenance

Winter Maintenance: No order for grit required; the grit bins to be topped up. Cllr Acton to inquire about snow warden. Notice in the newsletter re the purpose of the grit bins and seeking volunteers to help in the event of bad weather.

Public Footpaths: A sign has been erected by the Mead, but it is in the wrong place. Council to review position.

Cutting back the verges: Property has been damaged by the contractors cutting back the verges. Cllr Acton to compile a list to report to Highways/Amey. Clerk to invite Andrew Middlecote to a future meeting to discuss this and other highways issues.

Clerk

Bus Shelter: postponed to the next meeting

15/71 Correspondence

Wall Memorial Listing: It was noted that the war memorial has been listed. However, the comments on the history of the memorial submitted by the Council have not been reviewed. This has been queried and amendments are to be considered by Historic England.

Update on Electoral Reform: Cllr Acton to respond on behalf of Council.

DA

15/72 Planning

S.15/1334/FUL plots 4 & 5 Arthur's Yard, Tinkley Lane. Construction of 2 dwellings: Cllr Acton proposed that a comment be submitted expressing the disappointment that a permission for further 2 houses is being sought and noting that the previously supportive neighbours now oppose the development. Cllr Hardy seconded and all agreed.

Clerk

S.15/1432/HHOL and S.15/1452/LBC The Forge St Bartholomew's View, extension to an existing outbuilding: Cllr Acton proposed no comment on this application, Cllr Hardy seconded and all agreed. (Note: the application was withdrawn after the meeting)

The Stables: An enforcement notice has been issued.

Smallholding at Tinkley Corner: Cllr Hardy proposed a letter be sent to the landowner asking for an update on planning. Cllr Acton seconded and all agreed.

Clerk

Rose & Crown: No progress on the application. Concern expressed about the fencing around the hedge re the health of the hedge, the appearance and the impact on the pub. Agreed to contact SDC enforcement and the landowners.

Clerk

15/73 Highways

Traffic on Tinkley Lane: speed notices have been provided by Highways. Cllr Acton to put these up with assistance. Agreed to raise the concerns with Andrew Middlecote in person.

DA

15/74 Finance

Insurance: Insurance has been renewed.

Update on website: The website is ready. Cllr Acton to publish and send the link to Councillors for review prior to launch.

The following expenditure was agreed and the appropriate cheques drawn:

08/06/15 Ann Robertson

Clerk Salary May

£144.00

15/75 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

Village Hall Cleaning

Chair's Signature.....Date.....

Date of next Meeting: *The next meeting of the council was scheduled for 7:30pm on Monday 14th September 2015 in the Village Hall*