

**The WINFRITH NEWBURGH & EAST KNIGHTON PARISH
COUNCIL**

**Meeting held: 7 pm Monday 11th April 2022
Winfrith Newburgh Village Hall**

PRESENT: Cllr Brenda Mustoe (Chair), Cllr John Yonwin (Vice Chair and minute taker), Cllr Andy Muir, Cllr Mark Morley, Cllr Adrian Lowes.
Parishioner: Jennifer Cottam

1 APOLOGIES:

430. Cllr Charles Smith and Parish Clerk Irene Atkins

2. PARISHIONERS OPEN FORUM:

431. No matters were raised.

3. MINUTES – 14th March 2022:

432. Other than an incorrect spelling of “Mark Morley,” these were accepted as a true and accurate record.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

433. None declared

5. MATTERS ARISING: New Councillor:

434. The Cllrs welcomed Cllr Adrian Lowes on his co-option to join the Parish Council with immediate effect.

6. DORSET COUNCILLOR’S REPORT:

435. No matters raised

7. TREE PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

436. The following two were raised: No objections recorded

P/TRC/2022/01815

Marley House East Chaldon DT2 8JR
T1 Sycamore fell

P/TRC/2022/01816

9 Winbrook Fold
G1 Group of Willows – Fell/coppice

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

437. The following three were raised: No objections recorded

Application No: P/LBC/2022/02170

Location: Clovelly Cottage High Street Winfrith Newburgh Dorset DT2 8JW

Proposal: Removal of existing cement render from the front of property, install bell drip rail along bottom of cottage, and a vertical rail to separate from cottage next door, apply 2 coats of lime (a scratch coat incorporating horse hair/fibreglass mesh, followed by a top coat), and then sponge over and finish.

Application No: P/HOU/2022/01961

Location: Apple Tree Cottage Dorchester Road East Knighton Dorchester DT2 8LF

Proposal: Retain outbuilding with car port, garage, office and utility on ground floor and first floor annexe

Application No: P/FUL/2022/01219

Location: West Burton Farmhouse Access To West Burton Farm Winfrith Newburgh Dorchester DT2 8DD

Proposal: Erection of single storey prefabricated office / welfare building (on site of existing consent 6/99/0101F)

9. Traffic:

438. Cllr Mustoe advised that a questionnaire had just been received from Places and Resources Committee (Dorset Council) re 20 mph aspects and a response will be submitted by 14th April 2022. Places and Resources Committee next meets 21st April 2022.

10. THE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA ON THE PLAYING FIELD AND THE PAVILION - strategic plan for the playground:

439. **The Playing Field Committee:** Attempts by the Committee Chair, Paul Nelson, have not been successful in organising a regular committee meeting. The AGM will be held 20th April 2022. Cllr Yonwin drafting a report to the Parish Council on possible ways of reconstituting this committee to give greater effectiveness.

440. **The refurbishment of the Sports Pavilion:** The remaining works will be undertaken when further funds become available. The Pavilion is structurally safe to use. Electrical test certificate being organised by a local electrician.

441. **The Play area:** The last inspection was undertaken 24th March 2022. (Thanks to Mark Morley). Cllrs Muir and Yonwin will be looking into the items needing repair / attention. The ROSPA annual inspection will be undertaken in May 2022 (date to be fixed).

Replacement to a supporting wooden strut for the junior swing frame needs to be undertaken. Estimated cost max £250. Councillors agreed to this being spent. Quote still awaited.

442. **Strategic plan for the playground:** Cllr Lowes has agreed to take on the research for this and report back.

11. PLAYING FIELD LEASE:

443. Draft Heads of Terms received from the Weld Estate. Parish Councillors have reviewed. Cllr Yonwin to produce a summary and after passing through fellow Councillors, will liaise with the Weld Estate further. Six years to run on current Lease.

12. Platinum Jubilee in 2022:

444. Cllr Mustoe reported that the next meeting of the planning group will be held Wednesday 13th April at 6pm in the Village Hall.

13. Annual Meeting:

445. This will be held Wednesday 4th May. Each Councillor will give a short overview of their respective responsibilities. Seeking view on the future of the Playground area will be centre stage. Food and drink to be offered. Will be promoted via social media, door to door leaflet distribution, notice boards and blackboard(s).

14. Response to Mr Bayfield letter :

446. Cllr Mustoe has circulated a draft of a reply and awaits comments from fellow Councillors before sending.

15. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Daptc – Cllr Morley: 447. nothing to report

Rights of way – Cllr Smith: 448. Re the temporary closure of Claypits Lane to Coombe Woods permissive bridleway requested by Nick Cobb. I walked this route and it is open. As far as I am aware the temp closure has not been withdrawn. This needs updating. Can Irene please write to Nick Cobb. This route replaces the previous walking route through the dairy yard. It is still being signposted as a 'permissive bridleway' by the Estate. This has been the case for a number of years and is due for correction. The Rights of Way Officer to be asked for an update.

Community Engagement – Cllr Morley: 449. nothing to report

Flood Plan – Cllr Mustoe: 450. nothing to report

Village Hall – Cllr Yonwin: 451. The Hall still operates with a policy of a small reduction in maximum numbers permitted for a function / event (to encourage air flow). The bookings for the village hall are trickling in. Bryan Edwards has indicated that he wishes to step down as the Hall's Honorary Treasurer. Juliette Muir has offered to take on the role. The Village Hall Committee next meets on Wednesday 27th April 2022. With increases in energy costs, there may be an increase in the hall hire charges.

Playing field (incl. playground H&S matters) – Cllr Yonwin: 452. reported earlier in the meeting.

Playground strategic plan / recreation – 453. Cllr Lowes has now taken on this item

Tree & hedgerow – Cllr Muir: 454. nothing to report

Village maintenance – Cllr Muir: 455. updated on the damaged wall (pathway / School Lane and awaits reports from the Dorset Council. Damage to kerb side grassed area 20 metres north of Shop, High Street. Nothing can be done at this stage since the land is in the ownership of the County Highways. Cllr Muir is keeping under review.

Stake holder – Cllr Mustoe: 456. nothing to report

16. CLERK'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT & GENERAL REPORT.

457. Payments approved for payment

Solicitors £374.40 (Lease legals)

Wessex last ground works invoice £419

A Muir £28.94 materials to renovate old notice board – more to follow

Lulworth Estates £375 (six months rent in advance – playing field)

458. Parish Clerk reports: Starting the year with a cash balance of approx. £4,971. As at today the Precept has not come in.

459. There is a balance in the Nationwide account of £964.17 plus interest. This residual balance to be transferred to our Lloyds account and the Nationwide account to be closed. Last year's accounts can be found on our website.

17. CORRESPONDENCE:

460. nothing in addition to the Mr Bayfield item above.

18. MATTERS OF INTEREST AND INFORMATION:

461. nothing to report.

19. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

462. to be submitted to the Parish Clerk.

20. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting will be Monday 9th May 2022

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