

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

**Meeting held: 7 pm Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
Winfrith Newburgh Village Hall**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Brenda Mustoe (Chair), Cllr John Yonwin (Vice Chair), Cllr Mark Morley, Cllr Adrian Lowes, Cllr Charles Smith and I Atkins Clerk.

**Parishioners:** John Mustoe, Pat Yonwin, Pat & Jim Pettitt, Malcolm & Christine Shakesby, Stuart Leakey and Gill Somner

## **1 APOLOGIES:**

**600.** Cllr Andy Muir and Cllr Laura Beddow

## **2. PARISHIONERS OPEN FORUM:**

**601.** Pat mentioned maybe redoing the old village trail booklets for the Coronation. Alistair holds the artwork. Cllr CS will liaise with Pat on a revamp. Cllr BM said Jan Goddard started some walk updates.

**602.** Malcom Shakesby (MS) stated the speed on the A352 has become drastically faster especially down the hill from the garage. Feels it's like the Isle of Mann TT there on a Sunday. It should be a 40mph limit similar to East Stoke. Also a lot of farm traffic that people keep trying to overtake. Cllr BM has said the landlord at the Red Lion has also raised it. Highways have been informed and they won't make any changes unless the Police support this. Cllr BM is speaking about the 20mph regional zones conversation later.

**603.** Also can we keep the precept down because of the cost-of-living crisis.(MS)

## **3. MINUTES – 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022:**

**604.** Accepted as a true and accurate record.

## **4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

**605.** None declared

## **5. MATTERS ARISING:**

**606.** None declared

## **6. DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:**

**607.** Cllr BM mentioned that the Council report is issued by Peter Wharf towards the end of the month and included items on cost of living help, charge points for EV to be rolled out across the County. We mentioned the village hall maybe a good place, maybe also the Red Lion but maybe the Church car park. These will be charge points -top ups only. Also Foster care mentioned, specials needs care and County Farms. Road surfacing going on. Free school meals being advertised more widely. Adult social care high on the agenda. Verge cutting will continue to maintain visibility but still encouraging wild areas.

## **7. TREE PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

**608.** None

## **8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

### **609. P/HOU/2022/05438 Gibraltar cottages**

Revised application – to mirror the property adjoining and utilising an existing old footprint. Cllr CS quite substantial but if neighbours are happy not a problem. MS if it was OK for number 2 it should be OK for number 1. Comment of support will be sent from the Council.

### **610. P/HOU/2022/05692 Mallens**

Erect a porch and garage store – approved.

## **9. Traffic:**

**611.** Cllr BM People want a 20mph limit. Zones tend to be in towns and have traffic calming measures because of the noise and disruption they would cause. 2 toolkits have already been submitted. Committee asked Highways to review the toolkit again. It will now be considered on A and B roads. The toolkit gives a weighting to points for consideration such as RTAs, noise and safety points. WN&EKPC submitted two questions for the committee. 1. Why is no weighting for areas with no pavements? Answer - comes within safety. 2. Is it iniquitous that small PCs could have to self fund? Ans - Dorset council have 75K to spend on this across the region. Advertising and applications and new signs all cost money. Areas will be prioritised, but you may qualify but must pay for yourself if the 75K has been spent. Good news was that this Tool Kit will go to Cabinet for approval. A proforma will be made available for applications. There will be a preplanning visit to see if the application would be considered or not. Traffic survey would be needed, and they are expensive, the one we had 3 or 4 years ago maybe out of date so there will be a cost. Speedwatch still going on and we have had to be active for 12 months or more to be considered. MS said a traffic survey needs doing on the A352. Cllr BM will ask Highways to perform one. Cllr JY said thank you to Cllr BM for all her hard work. Also 60% of respondents must be in favour of the change. Needs to be a door-to-door survey of the parishioners. MS volunteering to help. Active support from both local Dorset Councillors. Cllr CS said it was a monster task.

## 10. Future direction of The Playing Field Committee

612. Cllr JY provided the following details. The next meeting of the Playing Field Committee takes place on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October and at that meeting, an agenda item is to consider and vote on the change to become the **Winfrith Playing Field Association**, with effect 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023. An approach to a local resident to Chair this new group has not been successful.

### **The Wool & Winfrith Football Club:**

**Five Year term:** The W&WFC is asking the Committee to consider granting a “five-year period of residency” at the Playing Field. Following a request for the Club to write to the Committee with reasons, the reply from Rebecca of the W&WFC states:

I have bullet pointed some reasons for a 5 year term request.

- enable more FA grant funding for the pavilion and overall site to benefit W&WFC as well as Winfrith community
- security for the football club of having a site with for the growing club
- consistency on match and training locations
- investment of equipment suited to this site (wheeled goals)
- security for Winfrith Pavilion committee, 5 year agreement from a service user, therefore finances secured for 5 years, rather than annually and not knowing in future years if you have a service user to help pay the bills
- mutual fundraising opportunities
- We are WOOL and WINFRITH by name, where else in Winfrith could we train or play? Without having to change the club name?
- easy and accessible location for home and away players.

Cllr JY suggests that the Parish Council will wish to wait until the new lease with the Lulworth Estate is signed off and we have the new Winfrith Playing Field Association established and we can then consider, or not, this request as part of any future strategy.

## 11. Plan for the New Playground

613. Cllr AL thanked all those who have made contributions to the project: whether that be in organising events, attending them, donating time or prizes. The project is looking to provide a community space where people of all ages and abilities can enjoy new and different facilities on the playing field. We intend to achieve the funding through Grant applications and sponsorship. We have a target to raise £20k to support match funding for the different grants we intend to apply for.

The next step is to draw up a proposed plan, prepare grant applications and develop a fund-raising event calendar. Consultation continues as we progress. This is a long-term plan,

implemented in stages. Thank you again for the contributions, time and effort from all those to date.

**614.** Jim Pettitt mentioned the cricket boundary comes within about 3 metres of the Pavilion if that has an impact. Cllr AL will speak to Cllr MM on the electrics. Pat Pettitt would like to see some transparency on the fund raising. Cllr AL has already asked the clerk for the breakdown of contributions to date. Cllr MM asked do we want to buy an extra page on the website? He will get a costing.

## **12 . PLAYING FIELD LEASE:**

**615.** Cllr JY provided the following detail; Since my report to the September Parish Council meeting, I have chased our Solicitors and I know that the Lulworth Estate Manager has done likewise with their Solicitors so that this matter can be progressed to conclusion. We await responses. We are in their hands.

## **13. Emergency Plan**

**616.** Cllr BM wanted this back on the agenda because of the cost-of-living crisis. There may possibly be planned power cuts. Revision to plan to incorporate this. Check contact lists to see what has changed. Cllr MM going to cost out a generator and look at grants which become available in early 2023. Village Hall and Church are identified as Warm Places. Sports Field has battery operated flood lights too.

## **14. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Daptc – 617.** Cllr MM – AGM on 19<sup>th</sup> Nov only one person can vote. Another meeting before then. Cllr BM would like Cllr MM to attend.

**Rights of way – 618.** Cllr CS liaising with Ranger Katie Black on improving the surface of the path between the Pound and Thornicks. Cllr MM said footpath north of the countryman is full of brambles. Cllr BM suggested reporting this online.

**Community Engagement – 619.** Cllr MM Nothing else to report but reminded Cllrs about a personal photo to be put on the website and Parishioners would like a new photo of the village as the existing one is 3 years old.

**Flood Plan – 620.** Cllr BM Flood Warden training is coming up - interesting rather than vital. Free to a representative if anyone wants to go.

**Village Hall – 621.** Cllr JY All proceeding well...excellent team effort. The Committee of Trustees met on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022. Welcomed Juliet Muir as our new Secretary. Bookings are beginning to pick up now (post Covid). Finances are in good shape. Financial year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022 In order to maintain standards, some minor internal decorations have been

undertaken. Possible external redecorating needed? Hire charges: possible increase in the new year. Further review by the Treasurer being undertaken. Sue Smith has stepped down as a Trustee (moving from the area in the New Year). We have a vacancy, therefore. Next Committee meeting will be in January 2023 and an AGM in the early Spring.

**Community space – 622.** Cllr JY said at last inspection planned maintenance needs to be agreed. Cllr AL provided detail on the status above.

**Tree & hedgerow – 623.** – Cllr AM provided a report before the meeting.

- The hedgerow on the village trail to Thornicks has been cut back and looks excellent.
- the hedgerow along the village trail adjacent to the Win has been cutback.

**Village maintenance –624.** Cllr AM Oct 24<sup>th</sup> wall works in Crown Yard will go ahead. Thornicks bridge has been repaired.

**Stake holder 625.** Cllr BM – next meeting 31<sup>st</sup> October. Nic Johnson will continue to attend on our behalf and will report back.

## **15. CLERK’S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT & GENERAL REPORT.**

### **626. Payments for approval**

1. Village Hall hire £24.5
2. Aubergine annual website fee £238.80

Payments approved.

The precept of £7,725 has been rec’d 30 September and VAT reclaim from last year of £1,499.08 was rec’d 21<sup>st</sup> September.

Current balances are as follows.

Current account £ 11, 946.82  
Savings account £ 8,850.27

Transfer from current to savings £1,00.00 approved.

Cllr JY wanted to minute that as Treasurer of Village hall he invoices parish council for hall hire.

## **16. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**627.** Nothing to report.

## **17. MATTERS OF INTEREST AND INFORMATION:**

628. Nothing to report.

## **18. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:**

629. To be submitted to the Parish Clerk. Pat Pettitt said once the Coronation date gets announced that should go onto the agenda. Cllr AL Remembrance Sunday falls before next meeting, there will be an eco-wreath provided by PC.

## **19. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

The next meeting will be Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

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**Meeting closed at 8.20pm.**