

Parish Council Meeting - Minutes

Recorded by: Amanda Rossiter, Parish Clerk

Date: 3rd August 2020

Meeting Commenced: 19:34

Meeting ended: 20:37

Present:	Mr Ken Brown (Chair) Mr D Purnell Mr K Larkin Mr D Palmer Mr R Symons Mrs J Burton
District Councillors:	Mr K Tucker
County Councillor:	Dr J Cordwell
Clerk:	Miss A Rossiter
Other:	Twelve members of the public

1. To receive and accept any apologies for absence.

None received from Parish Councillors

Apologies received from Councillors Braun and James

2. To invite and receive any declarations of interest.

None to declare

3. To receive and approve the minutes of the Council's 6th July 2020 meeting.

(Previous minutes are available to view on the Parish Council website)

No comments on minutes. Minutes to be signed by chair as a true record at a later date.

4. To note any matters arising from the meeting held in July and not covered by agenda items. (Item for information only - covered in Clerk's written update)

Councillors confirmed that written update had been received and read. No comments to add.

5. Meeting for Public Discussion and Questions.

Meeting opened to public - 19:36

Members of the public wanted to raise concerns about the Wild Festival event proposed to take place within North Nibley. The event consists of camping from the 16th to the 23rd August with live music performances on the 21st and 22nd. The event licence permitted up to 499 people.

The concerns raised by the public were due to the health and safety risk to our villagers and those in the surrounding areas due to the current Covid19 Pandemic.

It was felt that the event would jeopardise all the hard work and sacrifices that the people of North Nibley had endured to protect themselves and others from the virus. Including abstaining from seeing loved ones. This was causing fear and anxiety amongst the villagers.

The key points raised were:

- No Covid guidelines apparent on the organiser's website
- Entrance and Exit plans not compliant with Government Guidelines
- Concerns over Toilet Facilities and Hygiene
- Breach of conditions as there are currently livestock in the fields dedicated for camping.

County, District and Parish Councillors confirmed that actions had been taken to raise this to the licensing and Health and Safety Teams. It was noted that a Tactical Response team were looking into the health issues of the event and the Primary responsibility is with SDC to take appropriate action. A suggestion was made by the Council that objections could be made by Parishioners directly to event organisers.

Meeting Closed to public at 20:00

6. To Consider and Comment upon the following Planning Application(s):

- a. S.20/1485/LAC - Telephone Box Wotton Road North Nibley Gloucestershire - Consultation on removal of BT Telephone Box - Consultation expiry 17th August 2020*
- b. S.20/1486/LAC - Telephone Box Pitt Court North Nibley Gloucestershire - Consultation on removal of BT Telephone Box. - Consultation expiry 17th August 2020*

The Council deliberated agenda points 6a and 6b together, decision applies to both. Council confirmed receipt of Paper prepared by Councillor R Symons detailing the history of the Telephone boxes within North Nibley. Council confirmed agreement with the accuracy of this report.

A Proposal was made for the Parish Council to make no comment to SDC and to arrange to purchase the Phone Boxes for £1.00 from BT and move the electricity contract to NNPC. Proposal Agreed.

- c. S.20/1233/HHOLD - Purnell House Lower House Lane North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6DN - Replacement of garage building with habitable kitchen extension; additional outbuilding and garden wall - Consultation expiry 6th August 2020*
- d. S.20/1234/LBC - Purnell House Lower House Lane North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6DN - Replacement of garage building with habitable kitchen extension; internal alterations; additional outbuilding and garden wall - Consultation expiry 6th August 2020*

The Council deliberated agenda points 6c and 6d together, decision applies to both.

The Council discussed the applications and noted that English Heritage had made no comment. The Council remarked on the helpfulness of the well researched and exceptional documents supplied with the application. The council agreed to make no comment.

- e. S.20/1255/LBC - Old Bournstream House Bournstream Wotton-Under-Edge Gloucestershire GL12 7PA - Replace 3 top floor windows - Consultation Expiry 6th August 2020**

The Council discussed the application and noted that there had been an earlier scheme in May where no comment was made. The Council agreed to make no comment.

- f. S.20/1474/HHOLD - Netherfields Frog Lane North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6DJ - Erection of extension and associated landscaping works - Consultation Expiry 19th August 2020**

The Council discussed the application and remarked that the property was on large grounds with no impacted neighbours. The Council agreed to make no comment.

7. To Consider and Comment upon the following Planning Appeal(s):

- a. S.20/015/APPENF - Land Opposite New Inn Waterley Bottom North Nibley Gloucestershire - Appeal against alleged breach of planning control, without consent the carrying out excavations or engineering operations and alterations to existing simple farm access which leads to an unclassified road. Storage of vehicles, trailers, plant, containers and equipment on agricultural land.**

After discussion it was agreed

1. The Parish Council submit representations in support of Stroud's reasons for taking Enforcement action and the requirements for rectification
2. Request the Inspector to dismiss the appeals and confirm the terms of the Notices

8. The Council to note the following Planning Application Decision(s)

- a. S.20/0598/FUL - Land East Of Stumpwell Lane Southend Wotton-Under-Edge Gloucestershire - Re-submission of the application S.19/0701/FUL - Demolition of a disused building and erection of two buildings to create a live/work unit. - Refused**

9. To receive an update on the parking situation at the bottom of Wood Lane following trial of placing cones during busy periods and agree a decision on any further action.

Councillor reported that a trial had taken place over two weekends. On the first weekend the cones were placed on the grass verge. Some were moved and some people then parked in even less suitable positions e.g. blocking the pavement near the phone box. Communications were received from public concerned that the cones created a larger problem.

On the second weekend, the cones were placed by the cemetery gate and phone box. This seemed to improve the situation.

Councillors revisited the reason for placing the cones and clarified that it was to avoid an RTA as well as parking across the pavements.

It was concluded that coning the pavement area is a worthwhile deterrent. Councillor Palmer agreed to create a rota to continue the placement of cones during busy periods. Councillor Brown agreed to speak with public to acquire extra help on the rota.

10. To receive an update on and quote for placing a sign at the bottom of Highlands Drive advising "No access to Monument" and agree next steps.

A resident has agreed to have a sign on their property. Clerk to receive quote and order sign.

11. To review and agree North Nibley Parish Council Code of Conduct

Proposed update has been sent to Councillors. Proposed Update was agreed by Council. Clerk will update website accordingly.

12. Parish Council Finances.

***a. To review and agree bank reconciliation from 1st April to 30th June 2020
Dated 6th July - Should be 1st August.***

The Council agreed accuracy.

An additional note was raised that Lloyds bank had not updated their address records following change of Clerk. It was also noted that it would be beneficial to allow to grant Councillor Burton signatory rights on the accounts due to her locality to the branch. Councillor Brown agreed to visit branch to discuss needs and get these points resolved.

b. To review available funds and agree any appropriate transfers within Parish Council accounts

Council has received notification that Nationwide account will be closed if no funds are added. It was noted that money transfer of Legacy funds incurred a fee of £30. It was agreed that a cheque should be paid into Council's Nationwide account from the Council's Lloyds account of £50 to keep that account open.

An additional note was raised that the Council needs to set up an account for it's Charity cause as there is a cheque within our possession with no account to pay it into. It was agreed that Councillor Symons would set up charity account before the cheque expires.

c. To provisionally agree a fee of £45+ VAT for WCAG compliance to be completed by VisionICT on behalf of the Council

All agreed

d. To approve invoice from GAPTC for Clerks Training - £20

All agreed

e. To approve and pay clerk's wages for period 5th July - 2nd August 2020 (£456.28)

All agreed

f. To approve and pay clerk's expenses for period 5th July - 2nd August 2020

- Postage Stamps - £4.56***

All agreed

- g. To reimburse Councillor Palmer for North Nibley Parish Council Zoom Licence - £14.39**

All agreed

Clerk to write cheques and pass to account signatories

13. The Council to receive the following reports from Councillors.

a. Verbal reports from Parish Councillors

Due to a covenant on the land proposed to be used for a new playground, Cllr Brown has met with one of the interested parties. This party is agreeable to the proposal. Councillor Brown will arrange meeting with other interested parties.

b. Written report from District Councillors

Councillor Tucker remarked that the Council is able to come away from Covid work a little and Committees will meet in September. Will have more detail for us over next few months

c. Written report from County Councillor

The council confirmed that they had received and read the report.

The chair expressed his gratitude to the District and County Councillors for their reports

14. The Council to receive and approve a written Cemetery Report.

The Council confirmed that they had received and read the report. The council agreed the design for a headstone for Ruth Kirkup.

15. To receive for information details of any Correspondence received.

Council confirmed receipt of Clerk's report and had no further comment

In addition to the report:

It was noted that the council was in receipt of an Appeal notification - The Old Kings Head, Nibley Green, North Nibley, APP/C1625/W/20/3255768. The council agreed that previous comments were to be resubmitted

It was noted that the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 7th September 2020, at 7.30 pm. This meeting will be held via Zoom.

Meeting Closed at 20:37