

# NETHER HEYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**CHAIRMAN: C. Kiloh**

**CLERK: G. Ravine. Old Dairy Farm, Upper Stowe, Weedon, Northampton. NN7 4SH**

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## Minutes Nether Heyford Parish Council Meeting, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 Baptist Church Rooms, The Green.

### Present

M Brasset	L Dilkes	L Eales	C Everard	N Haynes
C Kiloh (in the chair)	C Metcalfe	P. Green		
	G. Ravine (clerk)	Cllr D Harries SNC		2 members of the public

- To Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absent.** L Dilkes,(Illness) M Brasset (Work) **Resolved.** Apologies accepted. Cllr P Bignell SNC Cllr J Kirkbride NCC. M Pettitt has resigned.
- To Invite Declarations of Interest.** None
- Register Of Interests Update.** None
- Public Participation:** Mr Applethwaite expressed concerns about the state of the wall between his property and the churchyard. Responsibility for this is unclear at the present and Council is not willing to pay for repairs if it is not responsible. Mr Applethwaite is happy to remove stone if something is to be done.  
Nick King from SNASt spoke about the possible re-starting of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Mrs Wright had volunteered to help co-ordinate, and it was hoped others would come forward after publicity in the village shops. The lack of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme is felt to be a weakness by the police.
- To confirm and sign minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2015. Resolved.** Minutes were accepted as a true record. Chairman duly signed minutes and agenda.
- MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES;** None
- REPORTS**
  - Lights –Clerk had asked Aylesbury Mains for maintenance prices, as a possible alternative to Eon, who had become increasingly unsatisfactory.
  - Roads and pavements. Clerk reported that potholes had to be 3 inches deep to merit immediate attention. It was reported that weedkiller had been sprayed around kerbs in South View, but this was a rare event!  
**Resolved** Mr Cawley to be asked to spray the jitties, and Church lane pavement.
  - The Green and Play Area. The Green and Play Area are in good order. Weekly cuts will be maintained until the end of June.
  - Playing Fields. No report.
  - Trees. Mr Stanford asked to quote to pollard the rest of the Churchyard Limes, and to check trees on the Green.
  - Allotments.” Allotments had been let, 11 allotments free. 5 more to be strimmed and covered up.
  - Footpaths. Somewhat overgrown.
  - Churchyard. NH to talk to PCC about the wall
  - Canal. NH had reported the Narrow Boat steps to the canal authority.
  - Joint Burial Board. Meeting due on June 23<sup>rd</sup> Grass in good order. Trees to be inspected. Mr Banner is intending to clear up the entrance.
  - Youth Club. New term had started, The toilets are in need of updating and grants are being sought.
- Planning.** Sheepcot Appeal dismissed, and it is hoped that the Inspector’s report will preclude any further development, by stressing the inappropriateness of the proposal.
 

S/2015/1118/FUL	25 Manor Park	First floor part two storey front extension.	No Objection.
S/2015/1115/FUL	16 Bugbrooke Road	Widen existing vehicular access	Council supports.

**Resolved.** Comments to be passed to SNC.
- Bus Shelters.** – Good welding were supposed to have re fitted the shelter, but had not yet done so.
- SNH Grasscutting** –The transfer of land was ongoing.  
**Resolved.** Council approved Highways plan to place 4 parking spaces on the Pound.  
Clerk to inform Highways and SNH.
- Internal Audit.** – Clerk reported Internal Auditor’s recommendation regarding Lighting maintenance contract, which he felt overpriced. Audit to be completed tomorrow..
- Annual Return. Section 1.** The accounts having been previously accepted it was **Resolved.** Council agreed the accounts as shown and that Section 1 of the Annual Return be signed,
- Annual Return. Section 2 Annual Governance statement.** The clerk read out the questions in Section 2 of the Annual Return -The Annual Governance Statement. All questions were answered in the affirmative.  
**\*Resolved.\*** Council resolved that Section 2 of the Annual Return be signed and the Annual return sent to the External Auditors.
- Staff Assessment.** – Deferred.
- Village Hall Fete. Resolved.** Council agreed that the green could be used for the Village fete on June 12<sup>th</sup>.
- South Northants Parish Council Summit July 14th 7-9pm – Resolved.** Chair and clerk to attend. Clerk to be paid

appropriate overtime and claim mileage expenses

## 17. Correspondence

<i>D Grace SNH - noted</i> <i>E Clements – Aylesbury mains.- noted</i> <i>Excelsior – re Playing Fields - noted</i> <i>Highways re M1 - noted</i> <i>NCALC Update. - noted</i> <i>NCC – re superfast broadband- noted</i>	<i>Hanley- re memorial Green – noted, clerk to reply.</i> <i>Police –invitation re Parish Constables – noted. Clerk and Chair to attend.</i> <i>Re churchyard - noted</i> <i>SNC re Sheepcot - noted</i> <i>Village Hall MC – re fete.- noted</i>
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SNC – South Northants Council NCC– Northants County Council VPMC – Village Hall Management Committee EMRA – East Midlands Regional Assembly.  
HSC – Heyford Sports Club. NCALC – Northants County Association of Local Councils. CLASP – Community Landscape & Archaeology Survey Project.  
WNJPU – West Northants Joint Planning Unit. SNH –South Northants homes. NRHA – Northants rural Housing Association. PFA - Playing Field Association.

## Financial Matters.

a) Bank balances : - Parish Council C/A £46.88. 1/2/14, Robert's Field C/A £ 280.13, Play Area C/A £5230.01 1/11/13Co-op current Acct 15/12/14 £71,940.79

b)Accounts for payment.

	NAME	CH NO	AMOUNT	Incl VAT	POWER
1	G Ravine – salary	524	£697.25		LGA 1972 s 112
2	D Booker – – salary	525	£234.10		LGA 1972 s 112
3	HMRC DB£58.40 GR£170.94 NI £21.96 Emp NICs 25.26	526	£237.96		LGA 1972 s 112
4	AH Contracts dog Bins	527	£96.00	£16.00	Clean Neighbourhood/Env Act 2005
5	CGD Contractors – grass verges	528	£660.00	£110.00	Highways Act 1980 S96
6	Winstanley landscapes Ltd – Green grass.	529	£504.00	£84.00	Highways Act 1980 S96
7	SLCC Annual Subs	530	£339.00		LGA 1972 S.111 (misc powers)
8	D Booker – linkman sundries	531	£41.96		Clean Neighbourhood/Env Act 2005

**\*Resolved.\*** Payments to be made

**19. Items for the next Agenda.** SLCC conference. Staff Assessment.

**20. Next meetings** –Mon July 6<sup>th</sup> .

*There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.50*