

NETTLEDEN WITH POTTEN END PARISH COUNCIL

**Meeting held on Thursday 19th April 2018
In the Church Rooms, Potten End at 7.30pm**

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Burfot, Cllr Durrant, Cllr Grimsdale, Cllr Gurney, Cllr Senior, Cllr Wright

Clerk: Katrina Bond

Also Present: Parish Warden Kevin Furness and 9 members of the public.

03/18/1 PROPOSAL TO FILL THE CURRENT VACANCY ON THE PARISH COUNCIL WITH THE CO-OPTION OF MRS DINA WESTENHOLZ-SMITH

Cllr Burfot proposed that Mrs Westenholtz-Smith be co-opted onto the Parish Council. This was seconded by Cllr Wright and agreed unanimously. Mrs Westenholtz-Smith signed a Declaration of Acceptance and agreed to abide by the adopted Code of Conduct and took her place at the table as a Parish Councillor.

03/18/2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.1 Apologies were received from Cllr Spanswick and Ward Councillor Douris.

03/18/3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 **Cllr Gurney** declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 7a: Proposal to consider the installation of a telecommunications mast on the Playing Field in Potten End as a neighbouring resident.

03/18/4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (15th February 2018)

The minutes were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as being a true record.

03/18/5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5.1 **Parking Bay on the Village Green:** It was reported that repairs were needed to the current parking bay. This request will be passed to Cllr Douris.

5.2 **40mph zone in the Parish:** The Parish Council was questioned again as to the reasons why the decision was taken not to pursue the 40mph zone throughout the Parish. The Clerk will seek a written report from Highways as to the reasons why they advised the Parish Council not to proceed with this matter.

- 5.3 Telecommunications Mast:** Questions were raised about whether the Conveyance prohibited the installation of the mast on the Playing Field and whether the Parish Councillors had considered the ethics of installing a mast on this location.

03/18/6 REPORTS

- 6.1 Police Report:** No report had been received.
- 6.2 Parish Warden Report:** All road signs have been cleaned throughout the Parish. Recent fly tipping has been successfully removed. The Warden reported excessive amounts of dog waste and overflowing bins. It was reported that a new contractor had been appointed by Dacorum Borough Council and this had resulted in the current delay in emptying some bins.

03/18/7 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE OPEN SPACES AND LEISURE WORKING PARTY

- 7.1 Proposal to consider the installation of a telecommunications mast on the Playing Field in Potten End:** Cllr Burfot reported the findings from the recent consultation which resulted in 58% of the residents in favour of the mast being installed on the Playing Field and 42% against. It was proposed that the Parish Council give permission for Shared Access to submit a formal planning application to Dacorum Borough Council.
For: Cllr Burfot, Cllr Wright, Cllr Durrant, Cllr Senior, Cllr Grimsdale
Against: Cllr Gurney
Abstain: Cllr Westenholz-Smith
- 7.2 Proposal to consider a charity event on the Village Green 3-6pm on 16th June 2018:** After a short presentation from Lorraine Hatfield, it was unanimously agreed that permission be given for this event to take place.
- 7.3 Football Goal on the Recreation Ground:** A response is still awaited regarding the settlement proposal.
- 7.4 Funfair:** This has been postponed due to poor weather – new dates are to be scheduled.
- 7.6 Grass Cutting:** Two Councillors met with the Cricket Club to review the current grass cutting contract in view of the current very wet weather.

03/18/8 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION WORKING PARTY

- 8.1 Accounts to be Paid:**
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| National Allotment Society (Annual Membership) | £66.00 |
| Dacorum Borough Council (Burial Ground Business Rates) | £0.57 |
| BT (Clerk's Telephone 8.1.18-7.4.18) DD | £85.32 |
| K Furness (PW duties w/e2.3.18-w/e23.3.18) | £416.00 |
| HAPTC (Annual Membership) | £754.44 |
| Barnes-Lewis (website hosting for 2 years) | £28.77 |
| St Lawrence Church (cutting of yew trees) | £576.00 |
| St Lawrence Church (grass cutting 2017) | £440.00 |

DCVS (Clerk's Salary & Payroll fees – Apr18)	£782.70
Hemel Copy Print (consultation leaflets)	£46.00

8.2 St Lawrence Church, Nettleden: It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay the two invoices that had been presented during the meeting. The Working Party would then consider the retrospective payment of invoices for the years 2015 and 2016.

8.2 Proposal to consider the purchase of a mobile CCTV camera: Cllr Wright presented details for the purchase of a camera to be used throughout the Parish. This would be used primarily to catch fly tippers. The cost would be in the region of £180.00. Cllr Senior questioned the legality of using the camera to take photographs of members of the public. The Clerk agreed to investigate this matter before the camera was purchased and the matter will be deferred to the next meeting. The Clerk will purchase some warning signs or stickers in the meantime.

03/18/9 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE PLANNING WORKING PARTY

4/00790/18	Village Store	Partial change of use from retail to café	PC obj
4/00819/18		Creation of one bed dwelling Fell one pine tree	
4/00858/18	Tates Coaches	Demolish existing building Construct two dwellings with landscaping	PC tba
4/00415/18	7 Chestnut Close	Amended plans	PC obj
4/00672/18	38 Hempstead Lane	Construction of double garage	PC no obj
4/00733/18	Heatherbank 10a Vicarage Road	Single storey rear extension	PC no obj
4/00752/18	April Cottage Water End Road	Retention of existing conservatory	PC no obj
4/00760/18	St Moritz Potten End Hill	New orangery	PC no obj
4/00889/18	Long Hunters Water End Road	Demolish existing chalet bungalow construct 2 x 2st chalet bungalows with One double garage and associated parking	PC tba

9.1 Village Store: The Working Party had attended a presentation from Jim Rowland regarding future proposed plans. Cllr Durrant reported that the Parish Council would raise concerns about the size of the retail area in the plans.

03/18/10 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS WORKING PARTY

9.1 Flooding outside Martins Pond Public House: This area still floods after heavy rain. Contractors are still awaited to either unblock the drain or to install a new one.

9.2 Flooding at Far end of Hempstead Lane: Despite some improvement in the drainage, this area is Still flooding badly after heavy rain. Contractors are still awaited.

9.3 New footpath opposite Village School: Work was due to start over the Easter holidays but nothing has happened to date.

03/18/11 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

17th May 2018 (Annual Meeting) 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.25pm.

Signed.....

(Chairman)

Date.....