



# Nailstone Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7.00 PM in the Bulls Head Public House, Nailstone

### Present:

Cllr Angela McCarthy-Young, Cllr Cox, Cllr Higgott and Cllr Crane. Cllr Ould, Cllr Crooks, 11 members of the public and the clerk.

### 351/2017 - Resolution to receive apologies for absence

- The Chair reported that she had received a letter from Cllr Spencer resigning as a Parish Councillor with immediate effect. The clerk will inform Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council.

### 352/2017 - Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items of the agenda

As agreed Declarations of Interest would be recorded at the start of each meeting. Councillors declaring an interest would still be entitled to take part in discussions unless the item is prejudicial, councillors would not be allowed to vote on the item or add opinion.

- N/A

### 353/2017 - County Council/Police reports

- Cllr Ould circulated his report prior to the meeting.
- Cllr Crooks circulated his report prior to the meeting.
- There was no police report, however, parishioners were reminded that village crime data can be viewed by logging on to [www.police.co.uk](http://www.police.co.uk). Parishioners were reminded to report any unusual activity or suspicious vehicles as soon as possible.

### 354/2017 - Public Questions

Members of the public were asked to declare their name when addressing the Chairman if they wished for their name to be minuted in this section of the meeting, if they did not want their name mentioned they need not declare it.

- A member of the public asked when the dog foul flyers will be circulated across the village. *The clerk reported that we could not meet the deadline of the last issue of The Graphic, councillors had been made aware of this and had agreed that it would be better to wait and circulate the flyer in the spring.*
- A member of the public asked for an update on the conservation project. *The clerk reported that she and Cllr Cox had been working on the project and that the benches, noticeboards, bins and the village sign had been ordered and were due to be installed in the spring. The clerk commented that we are waiting on the necessary permissions from Leicestershire County to install certain items on Highways land. Cllr Cox suggested that it might be useful to put an update on the website.*
- A member of the public asked about the Barton Lane sign and when it was going to be moved. *Cllr Cox reported that the sign had been moved but not as far as had been shown on the working sheet.*
- A member of the public asked about the possibility of having allotments in the village. *Councillors commented that there is currently no land available for allotments but if land becomes available then this could be looked at and in the meantime if anyone is interested they should inform the clerk and she will keep a waiting list.*
- Nailstone Community Group reported that the Ladies Day event had been a great success, it was well attended and raised over £900 which the group will use towards Christmas events.



- Mrs Jennings commented that she had moved to the village last year and following the previous Parish Council meeting that she had attended she had made some notes and asked if she could read them out. *The Chair confirmed that she could.* Mrs Jennings went on to read out a complaint about the Parish Council and one councillor in particular, *The Chair commented that it was not appropriate for a complaint to be read out in this way.* Members of the public commented that she be allowed to continue. *Mrs Jennings read out the remainder of her complaint which was noted by the clerk.*

### **355/2017 – Resolution to approve and sign minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the 12<sup>th</sup> October**

The minutes of the meeting were circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting for them to be reviewed. Cllr Higgott proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true account of the meeting and this was seconded by Cllr Crane.

**Resolved:** Councillors agreed that minutes were an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

### **356/2017 – Resolution to approve payment of outstanding accounts**

The clerk reported a total balance of £8,949.73

Cllr Cox proposed that the following cheques were processed and this was seconded by Cllr Higgott.

- 101374 – Eon, electricity = £124.54
- 101375 – Royal British Legion, poppy wreath = £34.00
- 101376 – H&BBC, heritage name plate for Rectory Lane = £100.00
- 101377 – John Wm Preston & Sons, grounds maintenance = £1,664.42
- 101378 – H Chadwick, clerks salary, room hire and expenses = £285.00
- 101379 – H Chadwick, purchase of plants £200.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURE = £2,407.96

### **357/2017 – Update from Nailstone Community Group regarding the purchase of The Bulls Head**

Members of Nailstone Community Group reported that 220 copies of their questionnaire had been circulated in the village. The results were shared with the Parish Council. The data showed that approximately 31 households had responded, however, Sarah Fortune felt that 75 to 80 had been received back to date. Cllr Cox commented that would be around a 36% response rate and asked if completed results could be circulated to councillors. Cllr McCarthy-Young proposed that once all the documentation relating to the purchase of the pub had been received from the community group that they should have a working party meeting to discuss the financial viability and look at the various options.

**Resolved:** Councillors agreed to hold a working party meeting once all the documentation had been received from Nailstone Community Group so that they could review the options for purchasing the pub.

### **358/2017 – To discuss the request from Nailstone Community Group regarding a donation to cover their newsletter printing costs.**

The clerk reported that she had received a request from the community group asking for a donation from the Parish Council to cover the printing costs of their newsletter. The clerk confirmed that she had circulated the request to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Cox proposed that the Parish Council fund 4, one each quarter, this allows the group to budget for newsletters over the coming year. Councillors agreed that this would be discussed as part of the 2018/2019 precept discussion.



**359/2017 – To discuss the request from Nailstone Community Group to hold a village gardening day on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November and agree action**

Councillors discussed the request and it was agreed that the Chair would liaise with the community group to agree the tasks to be carried out based on the number of volunteers.

**360/2017 – To receive a verbal update following the site meeting with Leicestershire County Council Highways Department and agree action**

Cllr Cox reported that she had met with colleagues from Leicestershire County Council Highways Department to review traffic calming measures in the village, signage, speed restrictions, etc. We are currently awaiting information regarding drawings and costings. Stuart Bullen how met Cllr Cox has since left LCC and we are waiting to find out who the work has been allocated to. Further discussions are going to be held and funding options looked at once all the information has been received.

**361/2017 – To discuss quotes received in relation to hedge and tree cutting in the village and agree action**

The Chair reported that she had not received the additional quote as expected and requested that this item be added to the December agenda. Councillors agreed to move this item to the December agenda and asked the clerk if she could look to source another quote for the work.

**362/2017 – To review updated plans in relation to planning application 17/00730/FUL – 100 Main Street, Nailstone and agree action**

Councillors reported that they had reviewed the updated planning application and agreed that it would be useful to have a site meeting at the location so that the concerns raised could be physically seen. Cllr Crooks commented that he has requested that the application goes to the Planning Committee and agreed to be involved in a site meeting.

**363/2017 – Parish Councillor Updates**

Cllr Cox reported that:

- She and Cllr Crane attended a meeting at Bagworth Community Centre organised with Bagworth Parish Council and representatives from Borough Council, County Council, David Treddinick and the Police to discuss anti-social behaviour, speeding and planning. Cllr Cox had submitted some questions previously and they were covered as a broader topic. Residents to keep reporting speeding and anti-social behaviour.
- We are still waiting a court date to set an eviction date for the Good Friday site.
- There is an injunction on the land at Tara House and that a fence has been erected around the site.

Cllr Crane reported that:

- He will be laying the poppy wreaths on Sunday morning.

**364/2017 – Date of next meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017 and will commence at 7.00 PM.

**The Chair closed the meeting at 20:30 PM.**

**Signed:**

**Date:**