

GEORGE NYMPTON & QUEEN'S NYMPTON **PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at George Nympton Village Hall
19th November 2015

Councillors Present: Trudy Herniman (Chairman), Trevor Allen, Mike Miller, Mark Dean, Adele Poole, Roger Gay.

The meeting opened at 7.35pm

- 2015/079 Apologies/Attendance Register** – Apologies received from Sarah Leworthy family commitments and Richard Toller – No apologies received.
- 2015/080 Disclosable pecuniary interests** – There were none.
- 2015/081 Announcements from the Chair** – Thanks were given to Mark Dean and Team re the Fireworks event on 31st October. The precept will be discussed at this meeting under financial Matters, unfortunately, it was missed off the Agenda.
- 2015/082 Questions from the Public** – There were none.
- 2015/083 Minutes of the previous meeting** – All agreed and signed by the Chairman.
- 2015/084 To consider any dispensation requests** - None requested.
- 2015/085 Planning Matters – Cancellation of the installation of the Communications Mast** – The company Arqiva have pulled out at the last minute saying they have run out of time as the government deadline is March 2016. Adele Poole has offered to look at other options for the village. It was suggested that parishioners write to Mr Heaton-Jones if they were not happy.
- 2015/086 Police Report** – Email received, there were no logs or crimes recorded.
- 2015/087 County Councillor's slot** – Jeremy Yabsley said Broadband access etc was commercially driven. There are going to be more cuts in the highways budget. If we do not get a response from SWH when a problem has been reported Jeremy has requested that we inform him, also, if we are not satisfied with a repair.
- 2015/088 District Councillor's slot** – Cllr Ley sent his apologies.
- 2015/089 Local Organisations** – Crib Festival 28th and 29th November in Church. Remembrance Service went well. Carol singing around the village Tuesday 15th December, Carol Service on 20th December and Christmas day service 10am.
- 2015/090 Community Fund** – NDC advised that the village hall could request more funding so the request was increased to £250, no response yet.
- 2015/091 Financial Matters**
- 2015/091.1 **Account balances** - £2,003.67 and £1,629.75.
- 2015/091.2 **Village Hall** – Approval received for cheque to be raised and signed for second instalment to Village Hall for £200 – cheque number 100293
- 2015/091.3 **Clerks Expenses** – Approval received for cheque to be raised and signed for expenses incurred of £26.24 – cheque number 100294
- 2015/091.4 **Precept** – It was decided to keep the precept the same as last year, the draft budget was approved by the Council.
- 2015/092 Drains** – Richard Sables has promised that the drains will be cleared etc in January 2016. There are 76 drains in the village.

- 2015/093 Local Plan** – The plan has finished it's first draft, Richard Toller to review before next meeting. Thank you to Tony Wilson who has worked hard on this project.
- 2015/094 HGV and the Local Lanes** – Another Lorry has got stuck causing problems, we need signs to stop the HGV'S driving the wrong way for Great Hele Farm. Trevor Allen and the Clerk to write to Highways and to copy in Jeremy Yabsley.
- 2015/095 Co-option of Parish Councillor** – No applications have been received. Mike Miller resigned due to fact he has sold his house, everyone thanked Mike for his contribution over the years. Clerk to advertise vacant positions.
- 2015/096 Parish Clerk Vacancy** – Progress has been made to filling this position
- 2015/097 Transparency Code** – Clerk to attend course in Exeter 24th November 2016.
- 2015/098 North Devon Record Office** – It was decided not to donate any money to keep this facility open.
- 2015/099 North Devon and Torridge Local Plan 2011-2031** – It was decided to not respond to the possible changes.
- 2015/100 Correspondence**
- 2015/100.1 **Community News** – The Council declined to contribute to this.
- 2015/100.2 **Local Government Boundary Commission** – The changes in the boundarys do not affect George Nympton and Queens Nympton.
- 2015/101 Items for Information/Items to be raised for Future Agendas** – Drains, Snow Warden, Local Plan, HGV Letter and Vacancies.
- 2015/044 Date of next meeting**
Confirmation Thursday 21st January 2016 at 7.30pm
The meeting was closed at 8.51pm