

GEORGE NYMPTON & QUEEN'S NYMPTON

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held at George Nympton Village Hall
8th December 2015

Councillors Present: Trudy Herniman (Chairman), Roger Gay, Richard Toller, Adele Poole.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

2015/103 Apologies/Attendance Register – Apologies received from Sarah Leworthy no apologies received, Mark Dean prior engagement and Trevor Allen visiting his wife in hospital.

2015/104 Disclosable pecuniary interests – There were none.

2015/105 Announcements from the Chair – The Council would like to wish Trevor's wife Liz a speedy recovery. Two invoices have been received since the Agenda was raised approval etc will be sought under finance matters. Nan Maxwell has offered to become Parish Clerk but wants to be introduced to it slowly, it was agreed that Nan would be copied into e mails etc. and also at the next meeting to sit alongside the Clerk.

2015/106 Questions from the Public – There were none.

2015/107 Minutes of the previous meeting – All agreed and signed by the Chairman.

2015/108 To consider any dispensation requests - None requested.

2015/109 Planning Matters

2015/109.1 Application Number 60268 – *Prior Approval for a Proposed Change of Use of Agricultural Building to a Dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for Associated Operational Development (Class QA&B) at Narracott Farm, George Nympton* – Council agreed to recommend approval

2015/109.2 Application Number 60340 – *Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) attached to Planning 58509 – Conversion of Redundant Barns to Three Units of Holiday Accommodation – To Allow Revisions to Windows at East Trayne, George Nympton, South Molton* - Council Unanimously agreed to recommend approval

2015/110 County Councillor's slot – Jeremy Yabsley said that Devon and Somerset are discussing Devolution, this will mean another level of bureaucracy, more responsibilities and more money, but no one knows how much and how it will be shared out. Council Tax will increase, 4% is likely. The A361 is to get more money, but there will be some roads that will be lost, single track lanes will continue to have further neglect, £50m is to be cut from the Highways budget in the next two years.

2015/111 District Councillor's slot – Cllr Ley sent his apologies.

2015/112 Financial Matters

2015/112.1 **Invoice Received - Transparency Course from DALC** – Attended by Mary Burbidge £25 plus £5 VAT. Approval received for cheque to be raised and signed for £30

2015/112.2 **Clerks Expenses** – Anti Virus Software McAfee for computer was needed £49.99, approval received for cheque to be raised and signed for £49.99.
As only one cheque signatory at meeting the second signature can be obtained remotely.

2015/113 Transparency Code – There are grants available to pay for the Website, upkeep etc. At the course that the Clerk attended there was a company there, VISIONICT, that deals with over 400 Local Councils and they will supply a website that is fully responsive to meet the obligations of the Transparency Code for the amount the government will give the council. The Council agreed to go this route, Clerk to apply for the grant in the first instance.

2015/114 Items for Information/Items to be raised for Future Agendas – Drains, Snow Warden, Local Plan, HGV Letter and Vacancies.

2015/115 Date of next meeting Confirmation Thursday 21st January 2016 at 7.30pm
The meeting was closed at 8.25pm