

## North Newington Parish Council – MN10/16

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Bishop Carpenter School at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs D Jennings, S Holford, G Doidge  
Clerk E Boswell

Apologies: P Espinasse, M Davison

Guests: Mr Taylor & Mr Walton – Trustees of Broughton & North Newington Sports & Social Club.  
1 member of the public attended

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### 1. Minutes of the Previous Meetings

These were agreed and signed.

### 2. Declaration of Interest – There were no declarations of interest

### 3. Matters Arising

1. Broughton & North Newington Sports & Social Club – Mr Taylor & Mr Walton, Trustees of the sports & social club approached the council asking for advice and help in promoting the use of the sports & social club premises as they feel it is being underused as a village resource. The club has recently undergone a change of committee members who are keen to improve the facility. There followed much discussion and ‘brainstorming’, which turned up lots of good ideas on how the trustees could maximize its use. The Council invited Mr Taylor & Mr Walton to attend the open meeting next May to give an overview to North Newington residents of what’s currently on offer at the club and what it can be used for. In the meantime the Council resolved to help put together an information flyer that can be distributed to all residents. Proposed DJ seconded SH all agreed.
2. Parking in the village at school drop off & pick up times – The council has received several complaints regarding parents parking and obstructing access to School Lane during school times and in particular school pick up at 2.50pm. It would appear that due to the school not opening the gates until 3pm parents are simply parking outside the school and blocking access to School Lane with one resident reporting having to wait behind the cars for up to 25 minutes before being able to access their property. The Council are concerned that in the event of an emergency the relevant emergency vehicles would not be able to access School Lane or even the school itself. After some discussion the Council resolved to write to the headmistress highlighting this issue.

### 4. Planning Permission

- 16/00242/TCA – Twisted Willow – Fell – Laverock Main Street North Newington – The Council has no comments or observations regarding this planning application.
- 16/00254/TCS – Conifer (T1) – Fell due to excessive shading and low amenity value – 1 Hill View Banbury Road North Newington – The Council has no comments or observations regarding this planning application.
- 16/01693/F – Erection of two storey extension/raise eaves to existing bungalow and form new roof with room/new garden room/ new 3 car-port – Becks, Park Lane North Newington – The Council examined the plans and had the following comments: - The Parish Council believes that the increase in ridge height from the proposed extension to a two-storey property would have a detrimental affect on Park Farm Land, which lies behind the property. Park Farm Land is in the conservation area of the village and has recently been added to the ‘Heritage Assets’ list and therefore merits consideration in planning matters with Cherwell District Council.

### 5. Finance

1. Review of Income and Expenditure - As the Financial Officer was not present the monthly accounts will be reviewed at the next meeting.
2. Bill payments - There were no payments to present to the council.

### 6. Children’s Playground – No problems to report; however the hedge will need cutting in due course

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## 7. Clerks Business

- Bishop Carpenter School storage – The school Governor declined the invite to present to the council at this meeting as they did not have all the relevant information and so will come to a future meeting.
- Defibrillator – ‘Community Heartbeat’ will come & give a presentation to the Council; the Clerk will aim to arrange this for the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and will put a notice in the ‘Gossip’ to attract residents to attend. Proposed DJ seconded GD all agreed. The Clerk has also received training information from St Johns Ambulance, they offer a range of training courses including a more informal not certified knowledge awareness talk and demonstration which would be suitable for a larger number of attendees, the Council will consider what training should be offered as and when a decision is made regarding the purchase of a defibrillator – proposed SH seconded DJ all agreed
- No 269 Bus service – The Council was presented with a questionnaire testing for appetite for such a service. The questionnaire was approved and will be printed and distributed to all residents along with the November village Gossip magazine. Proposed DJ seconded SH all agreed.
- Tombola pit inspection – The tenant has expressed that he would like to be present at the inspection; the Clerk will now arrange a suitable date.
- Rural Neighbourhood Police - ‘Community Speed Watch’ - The Clerk confirmed that the Council has the relevant insurance. The Council resolved to carry out a speedwatch survey. The clerk to contact Thames Valley Police to put in place.
- Barclays bank - signature mandate - The Chairman contacted the dedicated community team and obtained the necessary forms required to change the mandate, these will now be completed and returned to Barclays.
- Declaration of interest – signed forms returned by Cllr Holford.

## 8. Village Improvement Group - Reported good attendance to the Har-Fest on 10<sup>th</sup> September, the event will be held again next year. The next meeting is scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> October, items for discussion are: - Village Christmas event the provisional date of which is 16<sup>th</sup> December, Kidz screen & Gossip magazine.

## 9. Any other matters for discussion

1. The Council has been approached by Mr Wypior regarding his concerns of a boundary wall between him and his neighbour being in need of repair. Mr Wypior has been advised that this is not a Parish Council matter and he should speak with his neighbour directly and or Cherwell District Council.
2. Christobella Saye & Sele Trust – The trust committee are in the process of appointing a new trustee; the proposed names will be put forward to the Council to endorse.
3. Cllr Holford noted that one of verge protecting wooden posts on the main green and one on the small triangle green have been knocked over and need fixing back in place.

The next meeting will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> November

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

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