

NASH MILLS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday **12th December 2016** at Nash Mills Village Hall, Lower Road, Nash Mills.

Those Present:

Chair: Councillor Lisa Bayley
Committee Members: Councillor Dave Jackson
Councillor Rosie Moubray
Also present: Linda Sutton, Parish Clerk

1. WELCOME/START TIME

LB welcomed everybody and declared the meeting open at 8.00pm.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

HG had sent her apologies, which were duly noted and kept on file. JM, LG, PL and TC sent their apologies. David Drew also sent his apologies.

3. HERTFORDSHIRE POLICE REPORT (IF PRESENT)

LB advised that Ian Martin was unable to attend the meeting; he had sent his apologies earlier in the month.

A copy of the crime report for November had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting. LB explained that there had been eight crimes in total. She advised that some of the crimes included an incident of shoplifting at Tesco, a driver being stopped in Teal Way who was found to have been previously disqualified.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION* GUEST SPEAKER (IF AVAILABLE)

There were no attendees.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

All members present agreed that the November minutes were a true record.

LB then signed the minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved for publication. The minutes will be published on to the parish council's website. **LS**

6. ACTION LIST (Update).

LB reported that the following items on the action list were still ongoing and said that all items actioned were to be removed, leaving any *ongoing* items on the action list. LB said it was important that items were followed up in a timely manner:

Cllrs are to continue to report flyposting and banners to JM. **ALL**

DJ will take images of outstanding boards and send to JM. **DJ**

Nash House updates to continue. **PL/RM**

RM advised councillors that deliveries to the site continued and that she was regularly checking DBC's planning portal for new planning applications pertaining to Nash House.

LS will contact the winter scheme team at Herts Highways and check when the grit is due to be delivered. **LS**

LS will contact the dog warden and see whether a collection could be made simultaneously. **LS**

LS to contact AM about the ongoing works on Chambersbury Lane, resiting of camera and repainting of Kingfisher roundabout. **LS**

LS will contact JM and check whether the crest and logo topic has been discussed with NMMVHA. **LS**

LS to contact DD and see whether the local resident in Chambersbury Lane (who had originally contacted TC) had since been contacted back by DBC. **LS/DD**

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee Report - DJ explained that the budget was slightly over as mentioned at the finance meeting earlier. He explained that the recent increases in salaries for both staff had increased contributions and led to the over spend. He reported that the draft budget was due to be processed once information was received by DBC regarding the forthcoming precept. **LS**

DJ advised that provisional figures had been sent out and that the Council Tax Grant's (CTG) figure was slightly higher than last year.

RM said that on Nash Mills Wharf the estimated number of occupied units had risen from last year.

The clerk will add the item to next month's finance agenda. **LS**

Planning Committee Report – PL was absent from the meeting.

There were not enough planning committee members to make up a quorum. LS will email the planning committee and ask for their comments regarding the proposed planning application in Market Oak Lane. **LS**

Personnel Committee Report – LG was absent from the meeting.

8. CODE OF CONDUCT

LB suggested that this item be deferred to January.

LS

9. COUNCILLORS TO REPORT ON THEIR DESIGNATED AREAS

There were no reports. The clerk reported that Rob Cassidy from DBC had kindly funded the bench for the chalk mines. LS will contact RC to thank him.

LS

10. SAVE THE VERGES. – (Working Party Update).

JM was absent from the meeting so there was no update.

As discussed earlier on in the meeting, LB suggested that LS contact Anthony McKay for updates on the works to Chambersbury Lane footpaths and ask him why the parish council had not been consulted. LS will contact him an email regarding the works, repainting of the lines around Kingfisher Drive roundabout and the resiting of the speed camera.

LS

11. HAPTC SUBSCRIPTION (RENEWAL MARCH 2017).

Councillors present agreed to renew the subscription due in March 2017 for the forthcoming year.

12. FUNDING REQUEST FROM FRIENDS OF BUNKERS PARK.

Councillors suggested that the clerk contact Geoff Doole, (FOBP co-ordinator) for more information regarding the request. They wanted to know how much funding the group were looking for, what type of signage would be installed and whether quotes had already been sourced.

LS

13. FUTURE WORK PROGRAMMES.

a) Issues Raised by Warden’s Reports – Dave Drew was not present at the meeting. The clerk will contact him for an update on the local resident in Chambersbury Lane.

LS

b) Matters raised by Councillors – In November DJ had suggested that it would make sense to carry out a survey regarding obsolete street furniture. It was agreed by councillors present that this topic would be added to the future work programme section for the January agenda.

LS

c) The Denes Car park – There was no update available.

14. TIME MEETING CLOSED/DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

LB thanked the councillors for attending and advised that the next meeting would be the full meeting of the council on **Monday 9th January 2017** at 8pm at Nash Mills Village Hall, Lower Road. LB closed the meeting at 8.27 pm

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Chair

9th January 2017