

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NETTLETON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN WEST KINGTON BAPTIST CHAPEL ON THURSDAY 14 AUGUST 2014**

PRESENT: Cllrs Kerr (Chair), Bush, Beare, Caie, Flint, Pearce, Shanahan, Wright.
Unitary Cllr Scott
Parishioners: Mr G Cheetham, Mr T Hitchens, Mrs V Hitchens

AP		ACTION
1.	Apologies for Absence. Cllr Maddock	
2.	Declarations of Councillors' personal or prejudicial interests Cllr Pearce declared an interest in AP7.1 – Planning Application 14/06724/FUL & 14/06854/LBC: The Stable Barn, Westfield Farm, Nettleton	
3.	Chairman's Announcements Cllr Kerr thanked Cllr Caie for agreeing to take the minutes of the meeting.	
4.	Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2014. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Cllr Pearce, seconded by Cllr Beare, all agreed.	
5.	Matters Arising Item 4: WALC have replied to Cllr Kerr with advice on the issues raised by Cllr Beare about the content of minutes and the taking of minutes by a Council member. Further clarification on one matter is required. Item 11: Cllr Caie reported that WC are undertaking a Metro Count of vehicle speeds on B4039 as the first step to a Community Speedwatch scheme. They are also to re-review the speed limit on Hillside, Burton. Item 14: BT report that they are awaiting funding approval for a new route into the parish for superfast broadband cabling. Unitary Cllr Scott will press on behalf of NPC. Item 16: Cllr Maddock has included an invitation to join an NPC email list on the NPC website. Item 17.1 Cllr Shanahan to obtain a quotation for a new bench so that the insurance claim form can be completed. Item 17.2: Cllr Wright will fit shelves in Nettleton phone box in the next month. Item 17.3: Cllr Pearce has circulated a draft response to the WC Open Space Survey, and asked for Councillors comments by 30/8. Item 17.4: Cllrs Kerr and Pearce attended a meeting of representatives of Chippenham Area Parish Councils. It is proposed that there is a formal subgroup of Chippenham Area Board for Parish Councils.	Cllr Kerr Cllr Scott Cllr Shanahan Cllr Wright All Cllrs
6.	Public Participation See item 10.	

7.	<p>PLANNING MATTERS</p>	
	<p>Planning Applications</p>	
7.1	<p><u>14/06226/FUL & 14/06422/LBC - Single Storey Extension & Associated Alterations at Green Barn, Nettleton</u></p> <p>This application has been resubmitted. The Council resolved to support the applications for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The scale, form and design of the proposed extension maintains the character of this listed building and its setting in relation to adjacent listed building comprising the former farmstead known as Green Farm. 2. Green Barn, together with the original farmhouse, as now extended, and new dwellings erected in and adjacent to the farmstead has changed both the appearance and character of Green Farm from 'agriculture' to 'residential' and the current proposal secures an appropriate and justified improvement to that current residential use without harm to neighbouring buildings and the countryside beyond. 	
	<p>Proposed Cllr Pearce, seconded Cllr Bush, all agreed. Unitary Cllr Scott was asked to call in this application.</p>	Cllr Scott
	<p><u>14/06228/FUL & 14/06421/LBC - Installation of Roof Mounted Solar Panels at The Annexe, Priory Farm, Nettleton:</u></p> <p>It was noted that the building is within the curtilage of a listed building. The Council resolved that it had no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Pearce, seconded Cllr Kerr, all agreed.</p>	
7.3	<p><u>Applications 14/06724/FUL & 14/06854/LBC: The Stable Barn, Westfield Farm, Nettleton – Erection of Building to Provide Domestic Garaging & Store, Re-routing of Access Drive & Alterations to Existing Residential Ancillary Accommodation (re-submission of 14/02621/FUL & 14/02952/LBC).</u></p> <p>After making a brief presentation on the background to this application, Cllr Pearce left the meeting.</p> <p>The Council resolved to support the applications for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The form and design of the alterations to the existing building maintains the character of the building and of the nearby listed buildings. 2. The proposal to erect a garage to the North of the residential buildings will provide a justified improvement to the current residential use without harm to the listed buildings or to the countryside beyond. We note that there are large modern agricultural buildings to the North / North-East of the proposed garage. 3. The garage will provide some much needed shielding to the use of the garden from the noise of the M4 motorway which is located to the North East. 	
	<p>Proposed Cllr Bush, seconded Cllr Kerr. 6 votes in favour, Cllr Caie abstained. Unitary Cllr Scott was asked to call in this application.</p>	Cllr Scott
	<p>Cllr Pearce rejoined the meeting following the above item.</p>	
7.4	<p><u>14/06234/FUL & 14/06382/LBC - Erection of Timber Framed Detached Garage & Lean-to Log Store at Boxheart Cottage, Nettleton:</u></p>	

7.5	<p>The Council resolved that it had no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Kerr, seconded Cllr Flint, all agreed.</p> <p><u>Application 14/07165/FUL</u>: 3b Fredericks Way, Burton – Single Storey Extension.</p>	
7.6	<p>The Council resolved that it had no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Pearce, seconded Cllr Flint, all agreed.</p> <p>Update on Planning Decisions</p> <p><u>Application 13/04291/FUL</u>, The Old Granary, Nettleton, use of land as amenity garden, retrospective. The appeal against the refusal of planning permission has been dismissed.</p>	
8.	<p>Financial Matters</p>	
8.1	<p>Payment of £107 to Grittleton Village hall for the September 22nd Neighbourhood Planning Meeting. Proposed Cllr Kerr, seconded Cllr Shanahan, all agreed.</p>	
9.	<p>Burton Gateway Project</p> <p>Mr Hitchens made a presentation of the paper submitted to NPC.</p> <p>In discussion, it was felt that before taking any decision, it was necessary to determine if WC Highways Dept are happy with the proposal. Cllr Caie agreed to contact them.</p> <p>It was suggested that the costs, of planting in particular, should be reviewed.</p>	Cllr Caie
10.	<p>Neighbourhood Planning Meeting.</p> <p>The meeting is to take place at 7.30pm on 22nd September at Grittleton Village Hall. Cllt Scott and Georgina Clampitt-Dix (WC spatial planning lead officer) will attend. Cllrs Kerr and Shanahan have sent her a note with proposed objectives and agenda for comment, and also circulated it to NPC. Cllr Kerr asked for comments ASAP so that publicity can be set in hand.</p> <p>It was agreed that representatives of nearby Wiltshire Parish Councils be invited to attend.</p>	All Cllrs Cllr Kerr
11.	<p>Clerk to the Parish Council</p> <p>Cllrs Kerr, Shanahan and Pearce have interviewed two candidates who have re-applied. It was agreed that an offer is to be made to their preferred candidate subject to satisfactory references.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Beare, Seconded Cllr Audrey Fint, all agreed.</p>	Cllr Kerr
12.	<p>Emergency Planning</p> <p>Cllr Caie has submitted a paper proposing that NPC produces an emergency plan. It was agreed that Cllr Caie should progress this, noting that flooding and snow emergencies are being covered by separate plans.</p>	Cllr Caie
13.	<p>Flooding</p> <p>Cllr Kerr has submitted a paper noting flooding problems in the parish, most recently Nettleton Mill, and the forthcoming report from EA about the By Brook and its catchment area. Cllr Kerr proposed that:</p>	

	<p>1. He attends the WC Operational Flood Working Group (North). He noted that Flood Wardens can also attend if requested.</p> <p>2. NPC appoint flood wardens, to include Cllr Wright for Burton, Lisa Dafforn for Nettleton and Cllr Shanahan for West Kington.</p> <p>It was agreed that Cllr Kerr should progress this.</p>	Cllr Kerr
14.	<p>Highways</p> <p>Cllr Beare gave a verbal report:</p> <p>1. WC will clear out the saplings in the north side of Burton Brook and repair the wall in late August/early September. The relevant landowners will be requested by EA to clear the south side of the Brook.</p> <p>2. The WC Community Day is 9th October. Cllr Beare asked that items to be considered for inclusion should be sent to him by 19th September.</p> <p>3. WC also have in hand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Piping of ditch on West Kington Road. • Blocked drains in Burton - September • Nettleton Loop road repairs – mid November. <p>Cllr Beare is progressing these.</p>	<p>All Cllrs</p> <p>Cllr Beare</p>
15.	<p>Reduction in Bus Service</p> <p>Cllr Kerr said that NPC had not responded to the consultation about the bus service in the parish due to an administrative oversight.</p> <p>Cllr Caie said that there were now only two bus services a week during the school holidays, and this was letting down the young people in Burton who have no play or sports area and now no public transport to get to facilities in other villages and Chippenham. Burton was only about a mile from The Gibb, which had 6 buses each way to Chippenham, and it ought to be possible to include Burton on that route.</p> <p>Unitary Cllr Scott said that the provision of little used bus services to villages was a major problem and financial burden for WC. As a long term solution they are developing a scheme for community minibuses to be made available for volunteers to provide an ad-hoc service.</p> <p>Unitary Cllr Scott offered to forward a letter from NPC asking the bus company to consider including Burton on the route.</p>	Cllr Caie
16.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>16.1 Garden Waste Collection: Cllr Kerr reported that WC are proposing to change the arrangements, with either stopping collections in 3 or 5 winter months, or introducing an annual charge. There is an on-line consultation, and Cllr Kerr will circulate the letter to be posted on the village notice-boards.</p>	Cllr Kerr
17.	<p>Date and time of next meeting – 11th September at 7:30 pm.</p>	

Meeting closed: 9.55 pm.