

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NETTLETON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN WEST KINGTON BAPTIST CHAPEL ON THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015**

PRESENT: Cllrs Kerr, Shanahan, Caie, Beare, Wright, Maddock, Bush, Pearce,  
Cllr Scott (Wiltshire Council)  
Clare Fabray, Clerk  
Members of Public: Sue Holdom, Simon Holdom

AP		ACTION
1.	<b>Apologies for Absence.</b> Cllr Flint	
2.	<p><b>Declarations of Councillor’s personal or prejudicial interest in any Agenda item.</b></p> <p>Cllr Pearce declared an interest in Item 7, Planning Matters – 15/03266/FUL: Erection of General Purpose Agricultural Building off Shirehill Lane, West Kington - for which he is agent for the applicant.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Chairman’s Announcements</b></p> <p>None.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015.</b></p> <p>Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Bush, vote unanimous.</p>	
5.	<p><b>Actions from Previous Minutes Where Not the Subject of an Agenda Item</b></p> <p>Item 9.1f): Highways – Cutting of New Grips. Cllr Scott stated that there is no dispute between Balfour Beatty and WC and that new grips will still be cut if required. It was agreed but that this action is cancelled.</p> <p>Item 7: Planning Matters, Update on Latimer Manor Barns: Cllr Pearce has looked into this and reported as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Planning permission including works involving the removal of the Lean-to was granted in 2013, however, following advice from English Heritage, Listed building consent was refused in March 2015. The lean-to has either fallen down or has been removed.</li> <li>ii) Alterations to the boundary wall and gates. Although the work has been undertaken in a manner that is not considered to maintain the character and appearance of the Listed building, the Wiltshire Council do not consider enforcement action is justified.</li> <li>iii) Restoration and re-use of Barn. Works involving the restoration and re-use of the Barn to the south of the former farmhouse were the subject of planning and listed building consent granted subject to conditions in June 2012. Work appears to have commenced in advance of the required discharge of planning conditions. The planning and listed building consent will expire in June 2015.</li> </ul> <p>Recommendation: A letter be sent to Wiltshire Council, following the expiry of the planning and listed building consent for the works to the Barn, requesting an investigation of the works that have taken place, which appear to be unauthorised, in respect of the Barn and the Lean-to.</p>	

6.	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p>Sue and Simon Holdom, Plough Farm, West Kington – see item 7.1 below.</p>	
7.	<p><b>PLANNING MATTERS</b></p> <p><b>7.1 15/03266/FUL: Erection of General Purpose Agricultural Building at Land off Shirehill Lane, West Kington</b></p> <p>Sue Holdom expressed her concerns over increased traffic and access regarding this application. She feels that the crossroads adjacent to Plough Farm is not suitable to cope with large vehicles. She has already had a number of large vehicles using the crossroads to get to this site for other purposes which have caused considerable damage both to the bank opposite the farm and to her own verge. Wiltshire Council has also had to attend to fill in potholes as a result of this.</p> <p>Cllr Pearce reported as acting agent for the applicants. He stated that it should be noted this is a completely new application from previous applications for this site and that it is solely for a general purpose agricultural building to be used mainly for storage of feedstuffs and farm implements, and possibly for overwintering of cattle. The building height is proposed to be 8 metres (the previous application had stated 7 metres) and this will be 4 metres below the canopy of trees in the adjacent copse. The proposal has been discussed with Cotswold AONB Conservation Board and their concerns have been addressed. Simon Holdom asked whether any power or water would be supplied to the building. Cllr Pearce stated there were no plans to supply power, but that a mains water supply already existed. At this point Cllr Pearce temporarily left the meeting to allow discussions to continue.</p> <p>Cllr Bush suggested that alternative access could perhaps be considered from the West Kington road where there were already double gates and an existing track to the proposed site. Cllr Shanahan voiced her concerns that the amount of farm traffic travelling through the village to and from the two farm sites would increase significantly.</p> <p>Cllr Maddock stated he thought the building too large and that it would be a ‘blot on the landscape’.</p> <p>Cllr Shanahan proposed that NPC should object to the application on the grounds of poor access, increase in building size (from 7 to 8 mtrs) which would cause a negative visual impact in regards to the AONB in appearance and its prominent position on the hill, plus the probable increase of large farm traffic through the village. Cllr Wright seconded this proposal, vote 5 in favour (Cllrs Shanahan, Caie, Wright, Bush &amp; Maddock), 2 against (Cllrs Beare &amp; Kerr).</p> <p>NPC requested Cllr Scott to call-in.</p> <p><b>7.2 15/03401/FUL: Erection of Garaging &amp; Alterations to Existing Residential Ancillary Accommodation at Stable Barn, Westfield Farm, Nettleton.</b></p> <p>Cllr Kerr proposed Support for the same reasons as the earlier application, Cllr Bush seconded, vote unanimous. NPC requested Cllr Scott to call-in.</p> <p><b>7.3 15/03698/FUL &amp; 15/03969/LBC: Proposed Single Storey Extension &amp;</b></p>	<p>Action Cllr Scott</p> <p>Action Cllr Scott</p> <p>Action</p>

	<p><b>Alterations at Green Barn, Nettleton.</b> Cllr Shanahan proposed Support as for the earlier application, Cllr Beare seconded, vote unanimous. NPC requested Cllr Scott to call-in.</p>	Cllr Scott
8.	<p><b>Financial Matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Payment of £225.39 to Clerk for April. Proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Bush. Vote in favour unanimous.</li> <li>b) Payment of £160.78 for insurance renewal. Proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Shanahan. Vote in favour unanimous.</li> <li>c) Payment of £252.65 for annual subscription to WALC. Proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Pearce. Vote in favour unanimous.</li> <li>d) Payment of £60 to J Wright Builders for engraving on new Nettleton bench. Proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Shanahan. Vote in favour unanimous.</li> </ul>	
9.	<p><b>Grass Cutting St Mary’s Church, West Kington &amp; St Mary’s Church, Burton</b> Both churches have applied to NPC for financial assistance towards the costs of grass cutting in the churchyards. After a short discussion it was proposed that a donation of £600 would be awarded to each towards this application. Proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Beare. Vote in favour unanimous.</p>	
10.	<p><b>Burton Triangle Bench</b> The Burton Community Association are proposing to install a new bench donated by Cotswold Homes. Cllr Kerr will write to Wiltshire Council to apply for highways agreement to the location of the bench along with a plan showing the proposed position on behalf of the BCA. Cllr Caie proposed that the BCA takes ownership of the bench and responsibility of any maintenance/repair required. Cllr Caie will produce the plan. Cllr Shanahan proposed to support the BCA on this, seconded by Cllr Kerr. Vote in favour unanimous.</p> <p>Cllr Kerr will apply for highways agreement to the location of the Nettleton bench also.</p>	Action Cllrs Kerr/ Caie
11.	<p><b>Burton Gateway Proposal</b> Cllr Caie has received an email from Martin Rose with an updated estimate of £2,850. This covers 1.5mtr gates at the West End of Burton, and 1 mtr gates at East End. There could be a small variation to cover traffic management during installation but this should be relatively minor. This has now been approved by Chippenham Area Board, who will pay 75% of the cost up to a maximum of £2,250. Therefore the amount of £712.50 is required from NPC to make up the total. Approval of this payment was proposed by Cllr Kerr, seconded by Cllr Pearce. Vote in favour unanimous.</p>	
12.	<p><b>Cable Works to Solar Farm at Castle Combe</b> NPC discussed whether they wished to support the proposed letter to Wiltshire Council that Grittleton Parish Council wish to send regarding issues arising from the above. Cllr Scott stated that nothing can now be done about this. NPC made the decision not to put their name to the letter and will inform Grittleton Parish Council of this decision.</p>	Action Cllr Kerr
13.	<p><b>Highways Update</b> Cllr Beare stated he had nothing to report on this. Cllr Wright stated that the</p>	

	<p>tyres that have been fly tipped on the Tolldown Road are still there. Cllr Beare asked Cllr Scott to look into this, as it has already been reported to WC on more than one occasion.</p> <p>Cllr Scott mentioned that Tolldown Road is on the WC plan to do repair work this summer, but does not have a specific date as yet.</p>	<p>Action Cllr Scott</p>
14	<p><b>Litter Picking Event</b></p> <p>It was decided that there would be no point in organising an event during the summer months due to the vegetation. This item is therefore postponed until the autumn. In the meantime Cllr Maddock will give consideration as to how best this can be organised.</p>	<p>Action Cllr Maddock</p>
16.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>a) Cllr Bush stated that there are currently allotments being advertised as available in both Biddestone and Castle Combe.</p> <p>b) Broadband: Cllr Shanahan said that BT have advised that work is still on schedule for the new fibre optic system to be completed within a few weeks.</p> <p>c) Cllr Maddock asked about the recent young peoples’ needs assessment. Cllr Scott said that a skate park proposal will be submitted to planning soon.</p> <p>d) Cllr Caie reported that Chris Bennett is the new secretary to the BCA.</p> <p>e) Burton Speedwatch update: Cllr Caie reported that 3 sessions have now taken place and that it seems to be having a positive effect in slowing the speed of the traffic through Burton. The numbers exceeding 37mph is 1 to 2% compared to 15% found from the earlier automatic monitoring.</p>	
16.	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30 pm.</b></p>	

Meeting closed: 9.35 pm.