

MINUTES OF THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 8th MAY 2019, AT 7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, NAYLAND.

Present: M George, G Battye, P Fuller, L Erith, N Cartwright, D Hattrell (Clerk), J Finch (County Cllr), M Barrett (District Cllr), M Cook (For the Press) and 2 members of the public.

Before Commencement of the Meeting

a. Public Forum

The retiring Councillors were thanked for all their hard work and achievements during their time on the Parish Council.

b. District Council Report

M Barrett attended having just been elected for another term as District Councillor. She commented that there were limited local issues raised on the doorstep as she got round to see people ahead of the election. She was encouraging about the Boot camp venture and wanted to get in touch with the organisers to offer support.

c. County Council Report

J Finch had sent apologies and no report was provided.

Ahead of the Meeting all members of the new Council signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office forms.

Parish Council Meeting

1. Election of Chairman

Following discussion, G Battye nominated Mary George to continue as Chairman. This was seconded by P Fuller and unanimously carried.

2. Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The Form was duly completed.

3. Apologies

None were received

4. Election of Vice Chairman

It was agreed to defer this item.

5. Nomination of Representatives:

It was agreed to continue as before as much as possible. All Council Members will form the Tree Committee and also the Allotment Committee for the time being. Attendance at Community Council will be rotated with N Cartwright attending the next meeting. All Committees and Area responsibilities will be reviewed when up to full strength.

6. Approval of Minutes of 10th April Meeting: These were accepted as a true record.

7. Declarations of Interest by Councillors: Nothing was declared.

8. Finance Report

The Clerk read from the bank balances as at 30th April 2018 as £1000 in the Current Account, £38516.55 in the linked Account and £10967.46 in the Capital Investment Account making a total of £50484.01.

The End of Year Accounts were proposed as a true record by G Battye, seconded by L Erith and unanimously carried. The Internal Audit was being organised and the Audit forms were to be considered at the June Meeting.

9. Accounts for Payment

Pete Irving Tree Services (ash trees - village hall)	875.00
Mortimer Contracts Ltd (Litter/grass/playgd/allotments)	874.80
Employment Costs totalled	1190.14
Babergh District Council (Bin empty charges)	544.19

10. **Planning**

1. Decisions from the Planning Authority:-

- a. A condition had been approved for surface water discharge prevention details at The Bungalow, Harpers Hill - **DC/19/00947**
 - b. Listed Building Consent had been granted for opening in garden wall to provide access and new painted timber gate and posts within the new opening at Millstone Cottage, 4 Fen Street - **DC/19/00705**
- 2. Mallards, 88 Bear Street** - Application for works to trees in a conservation area - **DC/19/01953 – No Objections**
- 3. 3 Ash Rise** - Application for rear single storey extension and garage - **DC/19/01796 - No Objections**
- 4. Wickham, 65 Bear Street** - Works to trees in Conservation Area - **DC/19/01571**. It was agreed to forward the application via email to full Council to review - **Action Clerk.**
- 5. 25 Stoke Road** - Conversion of garage into bedroom, willow fencing and gravel drive. This application was to be considered between meetings.
- 6. Any other urgent Planning items** - Nothing was raised.

11. **Recreation and Open Spaces**

G Battye out-lined a swing safety issue which was solved and then tampered with again. This has been referred to our contractors to try to reach a better resolution. The meeting with the Diocesan Surveyor was scheduled for 23rd May regarding the driveway. The review of Boot camp will form a regular Agenda item - **Action Clerk.**

12. **Matters arising from the Parish Assembly**

36 residents attended the Annual Parish Assembly. Neighbourhood Planning could feature in the future as long as sufficient residents have the determination to bring this forward. Members found both speakers on the subject very informative giving a real insight into the purpose and challenges in bringing one forward. Lorry Watch has not at this stage produced sufficient volunteers. Members agreed to raise awareness of the Parish Council Vacancies through a flyer at the Church Fete and taking every opportunity to talk to residents about the potential to get involved.

13. **Housing Needs Survey**

There were no further progress in relation to taking forward the results.

14. **Highways**

The notification of the closure for drainage work was discussed. Attention then turned to the Meeting in Wiston in relation to the unsuitability of the roads for the volumes and size of vehicles leading to substantial verge damage. N Cartwright agreed to provide an account of the meeting and the actions agreed - **Action N Cartwright**. Following this, it was agreed the Parish Council should pursue the matter to ensure the agreed actions are carried out.

15. **Street Lights**

The Chairman had a meeting scheduled with the property owners of the light in Court Street to be removed.

16. **Footpaths**

There was nothing to report.

17. **Allotments**

The Annual Allotment Meeting was to be arranged. The Chairman agreed to look at dates with the Church Hall as the venue and as soon as fixed the Clerk is to write to Allotment Holders inviting them - **Action Chairman and Clerk**. The signs and lock have been put in place. It was agreed to arrange the Allotment Competition judging and also make contact with the farmer - **Action Clerk.**

18. **Village Hall**

P Fuller confirmed a meeting was arranged with Babergh Council regarding grants towards the hall roof. They raised an issue regarding the VAT in view of the basis of the lease. It was agreed for the Clerk to check again with HM Revenue Customs and raise this specific issue - **Action Clerk.**

19. **Community Council**

Nothing was raised.

20. **Correspondence**

Members had information about the on-going correspondence and the Clerk confirmed litter equipment for the community litter picks can be replaced. Once a list is available of the items in need of replacement an email to Babergh Council would be sent - **Action Chairman and Clerk**. It was agreed to involve our County Councillor regarding the controversial changes to the School Transport Policy which divides the Village in relation to transport to secondary schools. A full explanation would be sought. G Battye agreed to research the local Facebook pages as a potential source for the Parish Council to keep the village informed - **Action G Battye**.

21. **Burial Ground**

As discussed under the Recreation Ground the meeting about the Burial Ground driveway had been arranged.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.