

Minutes of the Newton le Willows Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 24th June 2019

Present: Councillors L Ryder, V Wilthew, J Bell and parish clerk T Sanderson

Also present: Councillor R Ormston and 14 members of the public

1. There were no **Apologies for absence**.
2. Councillor V Wilthew '**Declared an Interest**' in the Peaches correspondence which was an item on the agenda. (Her husband is chairman of the cricket club).
3. The **minutes** of the meeting held on the 7th May 2019 were **approved and signed**.
4. **Matters arising:**
 - **Street lighting** – the clerk is still to check on this.
 - **Broadband** – the reply from Councillor D MacKenzie was read out. Councillor R Ormston suggested contacting Councillor K Sedgewick in future as she has responsibilities for Broadband.
 - **Dog Fouling** – the clerk is still in discussion with Councillor K Sedgewick over new signs for the parish.
5. **Reports from:**
 - **Village Hall Trustees** – meetings were held on the 13th May and 10th June. The main item was the plans for a possible extension on the hall are moving forward. Architects are being sought to draw up plans. The recent survey carried out produced low response rates – of 162 circulated in Newton le Willows 30 responses were received and 3 responses were received from 80 circulated in Patrick Brompton. There will be a Village Hall Garden tidy up on Sunday 30th June 10am – 12pm.
 - **Atkinson and Clarke Educational Trust** – the last meeting was held on 20th May but V Wilthew was unable to attend. The next meeting will be on the 30th September.
6. **Specific matters:**
 - **Speeding issues** – a meeting is to be held on the 26th June at Crakehall with L Ryder and V Wilthew attending. This is with other local parish councillors to see if it would be possible to 'share' the cost and vehicle activated speed sign (VAS). There is currently no further information regarding speed signs from I Beighton of NYCC Highways.
 - **Wheatsheaf** – a meeting was held on site on 10th June with L Ryder, J Bell and T Sanderson from NLW Parish council and A Madden and A Pilkington from RDC. There is still no clear way forward on this matter, with the landlord not responding to RDC communications. Photographs were taken of the site and will be used to compare with previous ones held by RDC. Financially, A Madden reported that everything was currently in order. In terms of planning, A Pilkington had nothing to report at this stage. The Parish Council could consider contacting the police if and when it believes the building is becoming a security risk.
 - **Playground** – it was acknowledged that there is some work needing to be carried out to bring it up to an adequate standard. Some of this involves cleaning, which should take place on Sunday 30th June as part of the Village Hall Garden tidy up. A discussion took place as to whether to spend money repairing what we currently have as opposed to replacing it with a new set-up.
Action – the clerk will try and arrange for some quotes for repairs and painting of the existing equipment as well as obtaining quotes for a new playground.
 - **Fly tipping** - the clerk had contacted the Environment Agency to see if this matter is any closer to being resolved. The response seemed to differ from what had previously been

communicated – whether the matter will be taken further legally. They also suggested the council contact the landowner with regards to overgrown hedgerow. It was suggested that Wensleydale Railway must also be affected by this and may be able to help, as could NYCC Highways as it affects visibility of the road.

Action – the clerk is to email the Environment Agency to clarify this. She will also contact NYCC Highways and Wensleydale Railway to see if they can do anything about the overgrown hedgerow on Sinks Lane which is causing visibility issues

➤ **Parish Plan – bus services** – L Ryder had printed off the current bus timetable for the parish and found it to be very limited and not particularly useful. Unfortunately, there seems very little the council can do on this matter. Lift share has been suggested in the past as an alternative.

➤ **Vacancies** – there are currently two, one of which will be filled by Ted Clarkson who had indicated an interest in being co-opted. This was approved by Parish Councillors.

Action – the clerk will notify RDC and ensure all relevant paperwork is completed.

➤ **Richmondshire Green Spaces** – This is an RDC initiative. L Ryder placed an article in the recent village newsletter highlighting how residents can be involved in this initiative. In effect, it involves land being designated as dedicated green spaces.

7. Planning Applications:

➤ **19/00277/FULL** Full Planning Permission for Creation of a Stone 1.5 Storey Dwelling and Garaging, on the Site of Demolished Bungalow at The Bungalow, Sinks Lane, Newton le Willows, Bedale, North Yorkshire, DL8 1SB

➤ **19/00282/FULL** Full Planning Permission for Removal of Derelict Outhouses and Installation of 6 No Single Garages with Tarmacked Parking in Front with 2 No Parking Spaces Per Garage at 1 To 6 South View, Newton le Willows, Bedale, North Yorkshire, DL8 1ST.

These two planning applications required feedback from the Parish Council ahead of this meeting. A notice was displayed on the usual notice board in the bus shelter stating their comments to both, and objection to the second one ahead of this meeting. There is some concern regarding the planning application for the garages from residents. The objection will ideally lead to a more appropriate and full application in the future.

8. Correspondence:

➤ Peaches letter and subsequent correspondence – the letter the Peaches originally sent to the Parish Council was read out. It concerned a spraying incident on a SSSI piece of land belonging to them. The reply from the cricket club which had been submitted to the Council was also read out. All of this was for information only and confirmed the article which had been placed in the recent village newsletter.

Action – the clerk will circulate the email from Natural England to the councillors which highlighted why this matter needed to be acknowledged.

➤ Thank you from St Patrick's for our recent donation was acknowledged.

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9. **Items** for the next agenda will include Wheatsheaf, fly tipping, playground, speeding and dog fouling.

10. **Date** for next meeting will be Monday 12th August at 6.30pm.

Councillor R Ormston reported that the Lower Wensleydale funding scheme is now open. This is where local communities can apply for up to £1000 for village hall repairs and initiatives.

Meeting was declared closed at 7.07pm