



# NRS&NMHPC

Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish Council

*Three villages, one community*

## No. 238

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
Village Hall, Newton Regis

**Present:** Cllr. D. Waithman (DW) (Chairman)  
Cllr. G. Hunt (GH) (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr. S. Wilson (SW)  
Cllr. D. Cox (DH)  
Cllr. R. Thirlby (RT)  
Cllr. M. Ruston (MR)  
Mrs N. Allton (Clerk) (NA)  
2 x Parishioners

### The meeting commenced at 7:30pm

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Borough Cllr. D. Humphries, Borough Cllr. M. Humphries  
**Not Present:**, County Cllr. D. Parsons, Police **Action**
2. **Police Items – Speedwatch –** Clerk to contact PCSO for update. **Clerk**
3. **Open Forum- Parishioners of Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish are invited to address the council on any relevant matter for a maximum of three minutes per person.**  
None.
4. **Declarations of interest –** 7a)i) Cllr. R. Thirlby
5. **Minutes of the last Parish Council Meetings –** 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Signed.
6. **Matters Arising:-**
  - a) Potholes along The Green at Seckington – DW to make contact with new Highways post holder at WCC. **DW**
  - b) Hedges – James Daw has started cutting Kings Lane and Main Road hedges. SW to contact JD about Hames Lane hedges. **SW**
  - c) DW to contact WCC about overgrowing trees between Newton Regis and the Garden Store. **DW**
  - d) SW to contact Thorpe Estate about the damage to the post adjacent to the duck pond. **SW**
  - e) New lamps will be billed to the Parish Council.
7. **Planning matters: proposed development sites, recent decisions.**
  - a)i) **Applications:** PAP/2018/0639 – Rock Farm, Change of Use – No objections
  - b)i) **Determined:** PAP/2018/0314 – Newton Farm – Refused
  - ii) PAP/2018/0441 – Camping pods – Rock Farm - Granted
  - c) **Amendments/Re-consultation/Appeals:** PAP/2018/0314 - Appeal Mr Smith, Newton Farm – **Clerk**  
Parish Council to object to the appeal.
8. **Financial matters: bank balances, cheques for signature, cheques raised since last meeting & expected bills.**

○ <b>General Account</b>		<b>£394.87</b>
○ <b>Playing Field Account</b>		<b>£384.35</b>
○ <b>Deposit Account</b>		<b>£4,634.80</b>
○ <b>Reserve Account</b>		<b>£6,007.69</b>
	<b>£11,421.71</b>	

❖ **Cheques for Signature:**

○ 15.1.19 Newton Regis Village Hall – Room Hire		£26.00
○ 15.1.19 E.On – Unmetered supply		£19.90
○ 15.1.19 WALC – Training fees		£60.00
○ 15.1.19 SLCC – Annual Membership		£76.00
○ 15.1.19 ALCC – Annual Membership		£40.00
○ 15.1.19 P Hopkins – Repairs to NMH noticeboard		£120.00
○ 15.1.19 Cllr. G Hunt – Additional Christmas lights		£137.24
○ 15.1.19 Cllr. D Cox – Mincepies and printing for Xmas Light Switch on		£20.10

❖ <b><u>Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:</u></b>	
○ 30.11.18 N Allton – Clerk’s Salary Nov 18	£181.05
○ 31.12.18 N Allton – Clerk’s Salary Oct 18	£181.05
○ 3.12.18 Queen’s Head Pub – Vouchers	£100.00
○ 3.12.18 A. Passey – Grounds Maintenance	£195.00
○ 3.12.18 Cllr. D Waithman – Repairs to shed lock	£20.00
❖ <b><u>Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting</u></b>	
○ 9.1.19 Interest Nov/Dec/Jan	£1.54

a) **Clerk’s Salary** – All agreed national payscale annual increment to be paid from 1 January 2019 + **Clerk** 1% (£2,221.44 pa from 1/1/19). Clerk to amend standing order mandate.

**9. Elections** – the six current parish councillors will stand for re-election. There is a prospective councillor event at the Council House, Atherstone on 28 February at 6.30pm. Useful documents are available on the Parish Council website. Closing date for councillor nominations is 4pm on 3 April 2019. Local elections will take place on 2 May 2019.

**10. Playing Field –**

- a) Maurice has cut the wicket grass and the Parish Council expects to cut the outfield shortly.
- b) SW has contacted Gareth to arrange to cut the field hedges.
- c) Hawkins Pest Control to deal with rabbits, once the hedge has been cut back.
- d) Moss on field – awaiting spraying.

i) Re-painting of shed – DW to coordinate painting of the shed.

**DW**

ii) Toddler Swing – Anne Porter has raised £1,200 towards the toddler swing. The Parish Council will match the cost up to £1,500. Anne must make an application for a grant to the Parish Council. Anne has been advised to apply to Awards for All for additional money to extend the play equipment. Clerk to assist with application.

**Clerk**

\*Where will it be located – within the existing play area. \*Who will it belong to – the Parish Council. \*Who will insure it – the Parish Council. \*Who will inspect it – the Parish Council. Donations will be passed to the Parish Council.

iii) Tennis Courts – the current hourly rate for non-members is £15. This is to be discussed by the tennis club committee. A condition of the grant for the tennis court was to allow 5-aside football. The community would benefit from more events and opportunities to use the tennis courts in addition to tennis.

**11. Goosewalk** – Many thanks to all who were involved in making the 2019 Goosewalk a success. Special thanks to Hartley and Arnold for the raffle, to the marshals and to Georgina at the Queen’s Head. All donations will go to the Fabric Fund which will go towards repairs to St Mary’s Church. Our village church is as much a community asset, as a place of worship, to be enjoyed by parishioners and visitors to our village.

Many thanks to everyone that collected litter, though some concerns were raised about the safety of children litter picking on the verges. All children must be accompanied and within sight of an adult. Special thanks to Felix Davis and family for the quantity of litter collected.

**12. Correspondence**

- ❖ **NWBC** - Quote for Kings Lane bin emptying - £137 for 2019/20.
- ❖ **E.On** – Price increase
- ❖ **Queen’s Garden Party** – All agreed to nominate DW to be put in to the draw for an invitation.

**13. Business, which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered as a matter of urgency under section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.**

- a) J11 Development - Nothing new to report.
- b) Litter Pick dates – 6 April and 31 August. DC to contact Mark Kennell.
- c) Christmas Light Switch-on – there was a good turnout and atmosphere. Carol singers are needed to make it extra special.
- d) DW to contact Highways about the tarmac surface near the grit bin.
- e) Some of the church windows appear to be in an unsafe state. GH to contact Chris Gomm.
- f) DW to submit an article to News and Views.

**DC**

**DW**

**GH**

**DW**

**14. Confirmation Date of next:** Meeting Tuesday 26 February 2019 at 7.30pm at No Man’s Heath Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 21:04.

Chairman .....  
 Cllr D Waithman .....  
 Date .....

