

NAZEING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Full Council Committee held on Thursday 23rd April 2015 at 8pm at the Leisure Centre, Bumbles Green, Nazeing.

Members present: Cllrs D Borton (Chairman), Arnold, Ballard, E Borton, Carter, Castle, Culling, Evans, Frydrych, Joslin, Knight, Shorter, Skipper.

Also present: Lorraine Ellis (Clerk), 3 members of the Public.

These minutes are subject to ratification at the next meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: None.

2. Public participation: None.

3. Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations of interest.

4. Approval and signing of minutes:

a) The minutes of the meeting of the Full Council Meeting held on 26th March 2015 were approved.

b) Planning Committee Meeting on 26th March 2015 minutes. Noted.

c) Planning Committee Meeting on 9th April 2015 minutes. Noted.

5. Amenity Matters:

a) Motorbikes - trespass and noise disturbance.

Cllr Arnold advised that PC Gould has contacted him, to advise him that he has been allocated to this task and it also allowed PC Gould to obtain an update from Cllr Arnold. There has also been some recent motorbike activity, which Cllr Arnold has passed on to PC Gould.

b) Birchwood site.

Cllr D Borton advised no update regarding the enforcement issue and that there were more than 10 movements on Sunday morning.

The Clerk to email Enforcement Officer Clare Munday on behalf of NPC the seriousness of the breach.

c) Allotment plots.

The Clerk advised that all allotment holders have been invoiced and given a revised agreement to sign.

d) Green and other waste being dumped on land fronting Waltham Road near to Denver Lodge Farm.

Cllr Joslin advised that this is continuing.

The Clerk to write to Environment Agency, Cllr Shorter to advise of contact.

e) Concern that Lignacite lorries driving up Meadgate Road & turning round have destroyed the road and now ambulances & fire engines can't drive down the road to serve the houses there.

The Clerk to also write to Gary Waller (Highways at EFDC).

6. Financial Matters:

a) It was agreed to authorise

i) payment totalling £2,898.32

ii) transfer of £2000 between bank accounts to meet future ongoings

b) The Clerk stated that additional allotment rental had been received & banked, so revised total is £302.08 plus £50 allotment deposit. Outstanding rental is £222.88. The Financial summary for April 2015 was approved.

Please note that Ref 14/172 for Kier should be £185.34 and not £185.43. An updated Financial summary will be circulated.

c) It was agreed to sign a 12 month bespoke contract from E-on for street lighting. The Clerk to look at other suppliers before the contract is due for renewal.

7. Discuss the "Events" ear marked fund.

It was noted that there is £3,496 in the Earmarked Reserves Events Fund.

Several ideas were suggested.

It was resolved that the Earmarked Reserves Events Fund be retained and utilised for funding suitable events organised by village organisations.

8. The Leisure Centre.

a) Update on maintenance of the Leisure Centre.

Vince Cresswell has repaired the drainpipe, other work on the Leisure Centre is outstanding.

b) Quote/s for work to be discussed.

No update, carry forward.

c) Elections on 07/05/15. Contacts for the Polling Officer on the day will be The Clerk, Cllrs Frydrych & Arnold

9. Clerks Report.

Unfortunately, the report wasn't circulated before the meeting, apologies were given, however the Clerk advised that some progress on actions has been made.

10. Reports from Councillors who have attended other meetings.

Cllrs Castle, Ballard & Culling attended the Nazeing Allotment Association AGM.

Cllr Arnold agreed to provide more weed killer. Cllr Ballard to liaise with Arthur Baker & arrange final skip for the allotment holders. A bonfire agreed at no risk to the Council. Neighbours will be advised by allotment holders. Cllr Joslin will obtain a quote from his contractors, to clear the blackthorn & roots and level the site afterwards, between the tank tracks and road.

Cllr Skipper queried the rent from allotments, where is the money held? It was advised that the money is held in the bank account but is recorded under a separate account code.

Cllr Knight attended the Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel and advised that central government had made further changes to permitted development policies. Cllr Knight will advise Cllrs when these changes are published by EFDC. Cllr Knight advised Cllrs that District Development Control Panel at EFDC is now to be called District Development Management Committee (DDMC).

11. Communications:

a) Meeting on flood planning to be arranged with Peter Charman after the Election date.

- b)** Kristy Casey no longer wishes to use the playing field at Bumbles Green.
- c)** Annual inspection of play areas by RoSPA Play Safety in May.
- d)** It was agreed to purchase the Church's Parish news at £2 pa.
- e)** Peter Charman advised of funding from District and to discuss the way forward in Nazeing, the Clerk to circulate the email. Flood sax have been delivered.
- f)** Received information from EALC about training courses and available information.
- g)** There has been some local interest about re-opening the Post Office which is being investigated.
- h)** Dobbs Weir Road will be closed to through traffic from 27/07/15 for 21 weeks. Diversion route will be via Nazeing.

12. The issue of Broxbourne Council introducing a "No right turn" at Broxbourne Railway Station.

Cllr Carter advised that the proposal may not proceed because of local opposition.

13. Voting by Proxy at Council Meetings.

Cllr D Borton explained that the appointment of a proxy was previously permitted for a Cllr who could not attend a committee meeting, but it had to be a non-member who attended in his or her stead. Now that all Cllrs are members of the Planning Committee the permission was no longer relevant and it never applied to full Council meetings.

14. To discuss the Chairman's private response to the email received from a local resident regarding possible development at Nazeing Park House.

Cllr Frydrych stated that when he replied direct to a complaint he had received, NPC subsequently agreed that all responses should be via the Clerk.

Cllr Frydrych read the email that Cllr D Borton (Chairman) sent to Mr Chadney. Cllr Frydrych asked why she had responded to Mr Chadney directly rather than via the Clerk. Cllr Frydrych was also concerned with some of the content of the email regarding comments made about other Cllrs.

Cllr Skipper recapped on the previous meeting, and that it was a shock to hear Mr Chadney read the emails that had been sent, as no one had seen these emails. She also expressed concern that Mr Chadney may raise the matter as a breach of the Cllrs code of conduct.

Cllr Knight stated that the Chair should not have replied to Mr Chadney and that it should have been through the Clerk.

Cllr Joslin believed that Cllr D Borton probably realised in hindsight that she should not have replied to Mr Chadney directly. But no doubt at the time she considered this to be the best course of action.

Cllr D Borton said that she had replied directly to Mr Chadney as she knew him and that she was infact trying to defend the Cllrs. After the last meeting, Cllr D Borton had passed on all the email correspondence to the Cllrs as requested.

15. Review Emergency Flood Action Plan and Emergency Action Plan.

Carry forward to future Full Council Meeting, following meeting at North Weald.

16. Items for Information and those for next agenda:

- a) Fly tipping at Laundry Lane (next agenda). CE
- b) Cllr Evans advised that LVRPA took EFDC to High Court, to challenge their decision to grant planning for the greenhouses at Paynes Lanes. To update Cllrs that LVRPA lost the case and the development will go ahead as planned.
- c) Vince Cresswell has cut the football pitches.
- d) Mr Bray advised that Louie's sandwich was robbed, the CCTV was reviewed which has enabled the culprits to be caught.
- e) Mr Bray advised that there is no official police cover for Nazeing. Does NPC want to do anything about this?

17. Update on Matters relating to the Total site.

Cllr Joslin updated NPC on the discussions from the last meeting and also recapped on the latest letter from Mr Ellerbeck.

If the interest figure is in the region of £1300 a month, Mr Ellerbeck who was present, agreed to pay a figure of this amount from 01/03/15 on receipt of a formal request.

Mr Ellerbeck hopes to obtain Planning Consent for 26 houses on the Chimes site by the end of May.

Mr Ellerbeck will endeavour to start the build at the Total Site as soon as he can and has arranged a meeting with a company next week. Mr Ellerbeck is proposing a "Passive build" with an aim to complete the build within 6 months.

Cllr Joslin proposed that NPC instruct Bidwells to write to Mr Ellerbeck agreeing a sale to him on the following terms:

1. Purchase price £700,000.00
2. The cottages to be offered to bona fide residents of Nazeing at a 15% discount.
3. Contracts to be exchanged with a minimum of delay and if possible within 28 days with no deposit payable.
4. The contract to be conditional on planning consent being granted for 26 houses on the Chimes site.
5. A deposit of 5% of the purchase price (£35,000.00) to be paid within 14 days of the grant of the planning consent.
6. If planning consent has not been obtained for the Chimes site and consequently the contract has not become unconditional by the expiration of 2 months from the date of exchange either party will be at liberty to rescind the contract.

All Cllrs present were in favour of the proposal save that Cllrs D Borton & E Borton abstained.

Cllr Joslin agreed to instruct Bidwells and Cllrs Joslin & Shorter will liaise to ensure the accuracy of the letter.

Cllr Joslin to instruct Bidwells to put a "Sold subject to contract" sign at the Total Site.

The Clerk to submit monthly requests to Mr Ellerbeck for payment of the interest.

18. Exclusion of public and press. Not required.

19. Annual Meetings. The Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting will be on 14th May 2015, 7:30pm. Planning meeting to follow.

Meeting closed 10:00pm.

Signature of Chairman:

Date: