

Nempnett Thrubwell Parish Council

Parish Council meeting at 19:30 on 2nd July 2024

Nempnett Thrubwell Village Hall

MINUTES

1. Attendance:

Councillors: John Mallone (JM), Ingrid Wilms (IW), James Everett (JE), George Ford (GF), Peter Rendle (PR).

In the absence of the chair (PH), JM was proposed and seconded to chair the meeting.

Ward Councillor: Anna Box (AB).

Parish Clerk: Liz Horne (LH).

Members of the public- None.

2. Apologies.

Peter Hellier (PH - Chair), Jane Batten (JB).

3. Approval of minutes of meetings:

- a. The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2024 were reviewed and approved.
Vote: 5.0

4. Public Participation:

- a. East House- the field belonging to Bristol Water has a large horse chestnut tree which died in the spring. On further investigation it is apparent that the tree has been poisoned along with another horse chestnut, with holes drilled all the way around the trees.

ACTION: LH to write to Bristol Water to ask if they are aware and if not do they know how this has happened.

- b. Response to SR's agent.

ACTION: LH to email SR's agent and send copies of the minutes that have been requested. Advise that any speeding enquiries should be referred to Anna/B&NES. JE has been in touch with a church warden who claims there is no issue with parking at the church.

5. Declarations of Interest:

- a. There were no declarations made by Councillors.

6. Ward Councillor Updates:

- a. General Election on Thursday, please remember to take ID.
- b. B&NES – free initiatives during the summer holiday for impoverished children.
- c. TRO – A360 review regarding speed limits ONLY has been in consultation for over a year.
- d. Active Travel Policy – reminder that input is welcome.

7. Highways

- a. Pit Lane – There is a sign for uneven road surface in place but no sign of any progress.

ACTION: AB to chase up progress on Pit Lane.

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8. Planning:

a. New applications:

- i. Thrubwell Farmhouse 24/02214/VAR
- ii. Thrubwell Farmhouse 24/02234/VAR

ACTION: LH to email planning and ask if the only change to the variation is the area highlighted in yellow, if so, the parish council wishes to record no comment.

b. Ongoing:

- i. Parcel 0578, Nempnett Street
- ii. Linden Grove 24/01307/FUL – 24/P/0669/FUH

c. Decisions:

- i. Bellevue Farm 23/04702/FUL/Retrospective Permit granted

d. Enforcement:

9. Finance:

- a. The bank reconciliation for 31st May 2024 to 30th June 2024 was reviewed. All agreed it was an accurate record. Vote 5.0
- b. Payments for approval:
 - i. Liz Horne – Clerks salary & expenses for May £361.70. Vote 5.0
 - ii. Community Heartbeat annual support costs £162.00. Vote 5.0
 - iii. Payment for Parish Clerk training costs: £40.00. Vote 5.0
- c. Limited Assurance Review:
- iv. Financial Regulations were discussed and changes were approved. Vote 5.0

10. Code of Conduct

- i. Clarify position and content on the website - PH suggested that we adopt the Local Government Association Model Councillor Code of Conduct 2020. All agreed to adopt as suggested. Vote 5.0

ACTION: LH to add a link to the Local Government Association Model Councillor Code of Conduct 2020 to the website and upload the new financial regulations.

11. Parish Councils Airport Association-AGM:

- a. Liam Fox supports the objection to having the airport removed from the greenbelt.
- b. Once airport alterations completed there will be parking for 22,000 cars on site.
- c. In the last 12 months night flight allowances were 30% over.
- d. Up to the end of March they have had 10 million passengers through over the last 12 months.
- e. Awaiting government response to net zero plans.
- f. There is surplus money in the PCAA as a previous secretary bequeathed £55K.
- g. Some parish councils have withdrawn from the PCAA and it is suggested that the subs should be reduced for smaller councils.
- h. No decision on the planning for Epic, a medical data company wanting to build near long Ashton.
- i. Surface Access-it was noted that North Somerset Council have not been consulted. All agreed that there is not enough public transport for surface access.

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- j. PCAA have a new website but it is still currently under development with no content.
- k. A serious incident/near miss report was circulated to the Parish Council.

12. Old finger-posts renovation: IW awaiting quote from the person who repaired the finger posts in Ubley.

ACTION: Invoice for finger posts to be sent to AB for action.

13. Electric vehicle charger at the village hall: Difficulties in providing the increased electricity supply may prove problematic. JE has chased on 26.06.24

ACTION: JE awaiting response to his email.

14. Welcome pack for NT residents. IW has found lots of information and will continue collating.

15. Website and email review.

ACTION: LH will ask other clerks when she attends ALCA training later in July.

16. Next meeting – 7.30pm, 6th August 2024.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.45

Rob Miller
6th August 2024