

**Nawton Parish Council**  
**Minutes for the parish meeting held on**  
**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 19.30 at Nawton Pavilion**

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Chair	Russ Dickinson
Vice chair	
Councillors	John Windress, Debbie Swift
Apologies	Sam Jones, Andrew Edwards, Michael Jackson, Joe Gregory
Clerk	Anne Twine

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**969 Agenda**

The agenda for the meeting had been displayed on the Nawton Parish Council notice board since 5<sup>th</sup> October and also on the website.

**970 Parishioner presentation**

**971 Minutes of council meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

The Chair agreed the minutes of the meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

The Chair signed the minutes and the Clerk added them to the minute book.

**972 Code of Conduct and the Ethical Framework**

John Windress on planning

**973 Actions from the last meeting**

973.1 The Clerk's timesheet was approved.

973.2 Monthly inspection of Council owned land

All Council Land was inspected. Cllr Edwards reported that one of the birch trees had been broken and would need replacing in the autumn.

973.3 Budget –bus shelter, VAS sign

Bus stop-. Councillor Edwards submitted a quote for the groundwork of £5,200 exc vat. Mr Clements to submit a quote for a bus shelter similar to the one on the green. Cllr Swift discussed the possibility of spending the money on something else as the bus shelter and groundworks were very expensive. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Council has researched the possibility of purchasing a VAS sign. This would need approximately £2,650.

Councillor Windress reported that Cllr Don Mackenzie informed him there may be a change in NYCC policy regarding VAS signs and their rotation between parishes. The Council agreed that it was worth waiting for an update on this.

#### 973.5 Tree Preservation order

The Council asked the Clerk to initiate Tree Preservation Orders on the trees in front of the field opposite the recreation field. Cllr Windress contacted Mr Davies and reported that the wheels are in motion to protect the trees.

#### 973.6 Kissing gates

It was reported that the two kissing gates located at Gale Lane footpath crossing over to the next field are both rotten. The Clerk has reported this to Public Rights of Way at NYCC. A reply was received asking who the landowners were as NYCC work with them to get them replaced. Pending

#### 973.7 Drain cleaning

It was reported that the gulleys and drains need cleaning. The Clerk informed NYCC. These have been cleared.

#### 973.8 Grass cutting

It was reported that the grass cutting was very messy around the village and that it was an eyesore. The long grass was left in clumps and some cut so short it left bare earth. The Clerk was asked to get dates when Phil Gospel comes to cut the grass and ask Phil Gospel to put the dates on the bill so it is clear for auditing purposes.

The Clerk contacted Mr Gospel who was under the impression he did 10 cuts. I have asked him to do another cut. I informed him that we usually have 12 cuts but he has charged us £90 per cut (10cuts) for the last few years.

The last few cuts in August and September have been very wet.

The Clerk was asked to clarify that 12 cuts were needed each year.

## 974 Planning

New applications / Enforcement appeals / Discharge of condition

### New

Application 17/00773/FUL

Applicant Mr & Mrs Stuart Pickering

Description Erection of rear two storey and single storey extension to the existing dwelling following demolition of existing single storey lean to extension, erection of rear first floor extension to attached holiday cottage erection of detached double garage/store and formation of a shared vehicular access, driveway and parking/turning area

Location East House, School Lane, Nawton YO62 7SF

Delegatable Decision

A query from Roni Gordon asking whether a change of use should be applied for as the building hasn't been used as a holiday cottage before. The Clerk was informed that the owners have applied for a change of use.

## **975 Finance**

- Payment for £110.50 to Anne Twine September salary

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The external audit has been received; the following is the report to be minuted

375.2 Except for the matters reported below, on the basis of our review of the annual return, in our opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices.

\*the annual return was not accurately completed before submission for review. The 2015/2016 figures in Section 2 boxes 3 & 6 are incorrect due to the incorrect treatment of VAT. The figures in boxes 3 & 6 should be grossed up to show the VAT claimed instead of being netted off against the expenses incurred. Section 2, boxes 3 & 6 for the prior year should read £1,257 and £7,872 respectively to agree to the breakdown provided for review.

## **976 AOB**

It was brought to the Council's attention that the streetsign 'Main Road' should be replaced with a new sign 'Station View' as it is confusing for deliveries and is not correct. The old sign needs moving further down the village

**The meeting closed at 8.00pm**

## **Date of next meetings**

20<sup>th</sup> November

18<sup>th</sup> December

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_