# Nawton Parish Council Minutes for the Meeting held at Beckett Pavilion on Monday 18 November 2024

Chair	Russ Dickinson
Vice chair	Samantha Jones
Councillors	Steph Collier, Brian Simpson, Michael Tanner, Lorraine Hugill &
	Penny Forbes.
Apologies	N/A
Clerk	Tina Hustler
Parishioners	C Clarke

# 618 Agenda

The agenda for this meeting had been displayed on the Parish council notice board and the council website since 9th November 2024.

**619 Presentations by Parishioners** – C Clarke has been looking at documents for the village design statement. The parish boundary is required to complete it. CC wondered if the village plan should also include Beadlam. All agreed it would be good to include Beadlam as well. Clerk to email Beadlam clerk.

# 620 Minutes of council meeting of 21 October 2024

The Chair agreed the minutes of the meeting of 21 October 2024. They were seconded by Brian Simpson.

The Chair signed the minutes. The Clerk to add them to the minute book.

# 621 Actions from the last meeting

**621.1** Monthly inspection of Council owned land – Brian Simpson and Michael Tanner had a meeting with Holly from North York Moors National Park Authority, Grubs up project about suitable areas for planting. The tip was not a suitable area due to the land to be planted on. The pond on Highfield Lane is not suitable land either because it has been filled in the past.

Before the meeting began the councillors and parishioners had a presentation about the Grubs up project, to discuss creating a wildlife corridor along the A170. The best option to create habitats is to collect the cut grass rather than leaving it on the ground. Snape Hill could be a potential site for the Grubs up project, if the grass can be collected. The Grubs up project was also looking for old orchards in the village for the grassland management around the trees. The project is open to all landowners in the parish to contribute areas of land to encourage biodiversity.

**621.2** Nawton Tip - The Chair has not heard back from J Davison about the environment agency application. BS has put a padlock on the gate to discourage people entering. The Clerk has a spare key. BS & The Chair to measure the fenceline on the Northern boundary to get a quote for fencing. Sam Jones to ask the land owner for permission.

**621.3** Tree cutting on A170 application - BS has not had a meeting with the tree officer from NYCC, because it has been requested that we submit a technical report before the officer can make a decision. MT wondered if the trees belong to Highways and they should maintain

them? Clerk to ask for another extension to the application whilst we get costs for a report. Also ask NYCC contact if there is a specific qualification/ report that is required so we can get a quote from the correct company.

**621.4** Bus stop tree - Penny Forbes has discussed the issue with Paul who is happy to look after the current tree for free. Steph Collier said it will take quite a bit of looking after to sort and keep the line of sight suitable for drivers on Gale Lane, then that would be great. All agreed for the work to take place, and grateful for the kind offer.

**621.5** Provision of litter bins - It was agreed to just get the bus stop bin replaced and not get a new one on Snape HIII, because we are not sure who would then empty it. The Clerk had asked for prices but one is £59 and the other is over £200. Pictures requested to see what you get for that money, but nothing received by the time of the meeting. SC suggested getting a black one on a lamp post like the one at the other side of the road, to at least save rubbish blowing away in the current one. Clerk to email for a cost for lamp post bin.

**621.6** Website - contract for Cuttlefish emailed to councillors for checking before the clerk signs the agreement.

**621.7** Parish facebook page - page has been set up with SC as main account user as well as the Clerk. The page will be used to share events, village notices and meeting information.

**621.8** Barrier on A170 near school path - The Clerk had emailed NYCC and they have said that there isn't a budget for one so the parish may have to pay for it. Clerk awaiting cost from NYCC. Clerk to also ask school if they know of any near misses with children running across the road, to assist with the request for the need for the barrier.

**621.9** Christmas tree - The Clerk has sourced a tree to be donated with lights and secure base. Reverend Susan has kindly agreed for the tree to be placed at St. Hilda's church, and is kindly offering a tree lighting service with carols with refreshments. The church are carrying out the risk assessment. All agreed to pay a £60 donation to the church for the meeting room hire in the summer.

# 622 Planning – none.

**623 Finance -** Clerk's salary - October timesheet £294.84 including the reimbursement for the commemorative wreath of £39.60.

Precept - All agreed to requesting £5115 so it only increases Band D council tax by 1 pence. This means the precept amount will be sent in two payments because it is over £5000. Monthly reconciliation - External auditor has been paid £48. JRA Services have been paid £673.99 for a new laptop for the Clerk, which includes set up/transfer cost and microsoft package. Grass cutting invoice to A Mennell for cutting verges and strimming areas from April 2024-October 2024, total £930.

**624 Matters arising –** Yorkshire Housing applications - the Clerk has emailed asking for the parish to be sent details of houses becoming available, the contact at Yorkshire Housing said they were not aware that the parish council needed to know. Clerk to follow up as no response when requested if we can put the details on the parish website and facebook page to highlight opportunities to parishioners.

Suggestion for Karbon Homes to come to the January meeting if they still wish to present. Clerk to confirm with KH. **625** Next meeting - 16th December 2024, 7pm at Beckett Pavilion, Nawton. 7pm presentation from North York Moors Dark Skies. Meeting open to all.