

Nether Kellet Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting 6th December 2017

Those Present: Cllrs. David Whitaker (Chairman), Judith Bentham, George Smith, Ian Williams, Nick Johnson, Peter Riley, Chris Halhead; Michael Watson (Clerk); City Cllr. Brendan Hughes

- 1 **Apologies for Absence:** County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, City Cllr J Roger Mace
- 2 **Minutes from the Meeting: 1st November 2017** (enclosed with agendas and previously circulated by email as provisional) were agreed and signed as a true record.
- 3 **Declarations of Interest:** None
- 4 **PACT (Police Matters):**
- 5 **Matters Arising:**
 - (a) **Road Safety and related matters:** hedgerow on Timpenny Road ~ "County Highways" had contacted the landowner once again; access from Ashmeadow Road onto Main Road ~ County had considered this in the past but as there was no accident record and bearing in mind the limitations of the location, there was nothing that could be done; wearing of the slow signs and white-lining on Bolton Lane on approach to the 'hump' ~ these will be inspected and will be dealt with within an 8-12 week period (weather dependent) from 16th October; damaged warning sign on approach to narrow section of Shaw Lane ~ this is to be inspected and if found to be no longer serviceable will be replaced; additional warning signs on Main Road noting unsuitability of Shaw Lane as a direct route to Halton for HGVs; the damaged surround to a drain on Ashmeadow Grove
It is understood that a pressure reducing valve has been installed by United Utilities to deal with the water supply issues on parts of Bridge Road
 - (b) **Not otherwise covered by the agenda:** None
- 6 **Planning:**
 - (a) 17/01310/FUL: Erection of a two-storey front extension, second storey rear extension and a replacement dual pitched roof with higher ridge and eaves lines for Mr Gott @ Addington Lodge LA6 1DZ ~ No objections raised ~ **Email to City Planning**
 - (b) 17/01216/FUL: Erection of a conservatory to the side for Mr George Moore @ 1 Ashmeadow Grove LA6 1EW ~ No objections raised ~ **Email to City Planning**
 - (c) Outcome of planning enforcement Open evening 14th November 2017 7.30 p.m. Morecambe Town Hall:
- 7 **Accounts:**

(a) M J Watson ~ Salary 01.05.17 to 31.10.17 incl.	£923.50
(b) M J Watson ~ Expenses 01.05.17 to 31.10.17 incl.	£ 84.34

All Accounts matters approved unanimously
- 8 **LALC** ~ Report from Local Meeting 27th November 2017
- 9 **Quarry Matters:** Nothing to report
- 10 **Lengthsman Report:**
- 11 **Twinning Association:** AGM scheduled for 11.01.18. Quiz Night at Over Kellet Village Hall 20.01.18. Wine Tasting event on 10th March. Proposed visit to France August 30th to September 3rd 2018.
- 12 **Fly Tips**
- 13 **Footpath Report:**

- 14 **Nether Kellet Village Hall Committee:** The electrical works to the hall are to proceed in the course of the next few days. Alternative quotations are being sought for the connection on the playing field and for the illumination of the defibrillator. It is proposed to replace the present storage sheds to the rear of the hall with a more permanent building. The proposed internal arrangements to the layout of the hall are not now to proceed.
- 15 **Projects:** Cllr. Peter Riley is continuing to liaise with John Bentham with regard to photographs required for the proposed information board.
- 16 **B4RN.org:** The informal committee are experiencing difficulty with making contact with some important land holders which is holding up further progress towards the provision of B4RN. Cllr David Whitaker to liaise with Mr John Bentham to try to resolve the situation.
- 17 **Emergency plan:** Details of the proposed items to be purchased in this respect are now to hand.
- 18 **Neighbourhood Watch:** Nothing
- 19 **Vacancy for Parish Clerk:** Following interviews in early November when four prospective candidates were given consideration, Mr Bob Bailey has been appointed successor to Michael Watson and they are to liaise regarding the transfer of records files etc. Mr Bob Bailey was welcomed to the meeting and best wishes were extended to him in this most important role.
- 20 **Christmas Tree:** Cllr David Whitaker had sourced a 20' tree from the Duke of Westminster's Estate at a cost of £170 which included delivery. It was agreed that this should be available in time for the Christmas Fair on the 2nd December.
- 21 **Items for Circulation:** *Clerks & Councils Direct Nov'17*
- 22 **Items for the next meeting:** Lodge's Charity, Back Lane footway
- 23 **Next Meeting of Parish Council: 7.00 p.m. Wednesday 6th December 2017**