



**A Meeting of the Parish Council held in
the Village Hall, Northiam
7-00 pm Thurs 11th JULY 2019**

MINUTES

1) APOLOGIES:

Cty Cllr Davies; Cllrs Johnson & Wontner-Smith

2) ATTENDEES:

Dist Cllr Ganly (TG); Cllrs. Sargent (PS), Farmer (PF), Pratt (DP), Maltby (RM), Harding (JH), Biggs (TB)
9 members of the public

3) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none

4) ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS - To consider such other items as the Chairman decides are urgent and due notice of which has been given to the Clerk by 9:00am on the day of the meeting:

There were none

5) REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: - Maximum of 15 minutes

- a) There was an enquiry as to whether a new home has been located for the Library, PS was unable to provide a positive answer at this stage.
- b) Overhanging trees were reported as well as some obscuring road traffic signs.
- c) The owner of a Cemetery plot questioned why the Cemetery was in such a poor state considering how much he had paid for a plot - he was advised that although NPC have contractors who do the basic cutting, maintenance of individual graves is the responsibility of the owners. Additionally he asked if parking in Main Street could be curtailed and was advised, that for various reasons there is no known remedy.

6) MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF 13th June 2019 Were approved and adopted

7) REPORTS BY PARISH, COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:

PCSO we welcomed our relatively recently appointed officer who gave a brief breakdown of her activities with the school as well as traffic calming and parking. It was refreshing to hear her say that she had not witnessed any Anti-Social Behaviour amongst the younger members of our village. **TB** reported that, so far, he has had only one volunteer come forward to help improve & tidy the cemetery.

PS reported that the zip wire in the play area had been inspected and some works are required.

RM advised that the film Club will be showing "Fisherman's Friends" July 20th in the Village Hall.

JH reported that some of the trees on the village need pruning.

PF reported on the meeting that day with ESCC Highways, who have agreed to reappraise Quickbourne Lane.

TG referred us to the consultation regarding the proposed charging for car parking and that the recycle bins will remain in the surgery car park for the foreseeable future. The Clerk requested TG if he could obtain a copy of the contractors schedule for the dog & litter bins.

8) PLANNING:

- a) **RR/2019/1195P** - Whitefield House, Whitbread Lane - Demolition of existing dwelling and construction matching extension approved RR/2018/1059/P - **NPC supports approval**

- b) RR/2019/1316P - 24 Donsmead Drive - Single storey conservatory to the rear elevation - NPC supports approval.
- c) RR/2019/1333P - 20 High Meadow - Single storey extension and side flue - NPC supports approval
- d) RR/2019/1396/P - Old Wheelwrights, Main Street - Proposed new vehicular access - NPC Objects to this application due to limited sightline which would be further compromised with the addition of another entrance. The increased hazard in contrary to paragraph 32 of the NPPF
- e) RR/2019/1507/P - Little Plat - Proposed extended roof extensions to provide rooms in loft space. - NPC supports the design but is concerned that the construction would be overbearing in nature design and would compromise the limited size of the plot.
- f) RR/2018/2616/P - Clench Green Barn, Beales Lane - Proposed Extensions & Alterations - NPC supports the amended design as this is more in keeping with the historic nature of the building.
- g) RR/2018/2617/L - Clench Green Barn, Beales Lane - Proposed & Extensions & Alterations - Amended Plans

9) ALL PLANNING DECISIONS HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS:

10) OTHER PLANNING MATTERS :

11) VILLAGE MATTERS:

- a) Speed Watch - Sarah Giles reported the Speedwatch group had had five sessions during which they recorded 49 drivers exceeding the speed limit which equates to something slightly under fifty percent

12) CORRESPONDENCE OTHER THAN THAT ALREADY CIRCULATED:

13) FINANCE:

All financial information has been previously circulated to all Councillors & is available on the web site.

14) FINANCE, OTHER MATTERS:

- a) Council approval of office Lease terms, Clerk explained the variations proposed by our landlords and it was resolved that once we received written details those terms would be concurred with providing terms are reciprocal

15) CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE:



Cllr. Peter Sargent, Chairman, Northiam Parish Council

PAYMENT LIST 11-07-19

NAME	REASON	REF	AMOUNT	Cheque No
Auditing Solutions	(int'l audit)	A6111	420-00	780
ESALC	(Subs)	654	708-17	781
J O'Conner	(Grass)	65423	891-46	782
Do	Do	65698	891-46	782
Do	Do	66288	891-46	782
ESCC Hiways	Village name	RI6215	1046-39	783
Land Lake	R & R	2193	529-20	784
Kompan	Zip Wire	228076	1099-20	785
R. H-Lowe	Salary		1048-53	786
NVHT	Room Hire	360	30-00	787

RECEIPTS

McEwen	Cemetery		240-00	
Crowd Funding	NVHT Chairs		1,229-00	
Conserv Soc'y	Village name		436-00	

DIRECT DEBITS

G C I	Broadband		20-41	
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