

**NETTLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017 7.45PM, NETTLESTEAD VILLAGE HALL, NETTLESTEAD**

**Members Present**

Cllr David Meredith (chairman)  
Cllr Anita Van Hensbergen (vice-chairman)  
Cllr Alan Hill  
Cllr Emily Salter

Also in attendance – the Clerk Mrs Michelle Rumble, PCSO Nicola Morris

1. **Apologies for absence**  
Cllr Jackie Bennett
  
2. **Declarations of Pecuniary interests on any item on the agenda.**  
Where any councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined in the Members' Code of Conduct) in any matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council, a committee, sub-committee or joint committee, they must withdraw from the meeting room during the whole of the consideration of that matter and must not participate in any vote on that matter unless a dispensation has been obtained from the Monitoring Officer.  
Cllr Meredith declared an interest in All Seasons Grounds maintenance and will not take part in any such discussion.
  
3. **Confirmation of Minutes of December Meeting**  
The minutes of the meeting held on the 5 January 2017 were approved and signed as a true and correct record, **RESOLVED** by all member's present.
  
4. **Matters arising from the minutes**  
All matters covered under the agenda.
  
5. **Neighbourhood Watch**  
Cllr Hill had nothing to report.
  
6. **Police Report**  
PCSO Nicola Morris was in attendance and reported no crimes for the last month, but she did state that there had been an increase in dog thefts and trailer thefts in the surrounding villages.
  
7. **Chatterbox**  
Cllr Bennett was not in attendance.
  
8. **Parish Magazine**  
Cllr Van Hensbergen gave her report, money had been received from various Parish magazine advertisers.
  
9. **Village Hall**  
Cllr Meredith had nothing to report.

**10. KGV Field**

Dog bins

Cllr Meredith reported that a meeting had taken place this morning with the Clerk and Cllr Van Hensbergen and the best location suggested for the coming bin being supplied and installed by Maidstone Borough Council was the bottom of the steps. Cllr Meredith also suggested that the Parish Council owned litter bin could have a litter only sticker on and that it could be emptied by All Seasons Grounds maintenance at a cost of £5.00 when cuts took place between February and October and £20.00 per empty at any other time of the year. It was proposed by Cllr Van Hensbergen, seconded by Cllr Watson and **RESOLVED** by all members present to accept the quote.

Lottery Application

Cllr Meredith stated that a meeting had taken place at the KGV field with the Clerk and Cllr Van Hensbergen to discuss the new surfacing, the Clerk will meet with the company and discuss the Parish Council requirements which are to remove the surfacing where there is no equipment and square off the area where the multi-unit fitness equipment is. The Clerk was also asked to see if anything could be done to the Basketball surface within the Funding allocated.

**ACTION CLERK**

**11. Highways & Footpaths**

Bishops Close parking

Cllr Watson stated that there was no update on this yet. She had emailed Cllr Stockell but she was waiting a response from Paul Brand at Kent County Council. There was brief discussion around the Funding and whether the Parish Council could make any contribution towards this project. The members stated that they would need to see the figures on this before any discussion could take place.

Noticeboard

The Clerk had spoken with the Insurance Company and they had confirmed that they will make a Without Prejudice payment to the Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to research prices on noticeboards. The Council were also still in discussion as to where a second noticeboard could be located.

**ACTION CLERK**

Hedges/Verges

It was noted that the hedge bordering the Old-School House had been cut back by Kent County Council.

The Clerk was asked to report litter to Maidstone Borough Council, roads affected in Nettlestead and Nettlestead Green are Maidstone Road, Gibbs Hill, Station Road, Hampstead Lane.

**12. Correspondence**

Defibrillator

The Clerk updated all members with the info she had receive from Wateringbury Parish Council, the Clerk was asked to email the Clerk at Wateringbury for more details. Cllr Meredith will add this item to the agenda for the Village Hall committee to discuss.

**ACTION CLERK/CLLR MEREDITH**

JPFG

No reports

All other correspondence received was noted by the Parish Council.

**13. Planning**

*16/508688/FULL – Three Acres, Hampstead Lane, Nettlestead. ME18 5HN*

*Variation of condition 3 of appeal decision*

*APP/U2235/C/99/1034977/8 – to allow 2 no mobile home caravans to be stationed on the site.*

*All members **RESOLVED** that they would like to see the application refused on the following grounds: -*

*Metropolitan Green Belt*

*Visual appearance appalling*

*Potential Flood Zone*

*Access onto highway*

*16/508586/FULL – Tree Trunks, Maidstone Road, Nettlestead*

*Erection of part single storey side extension with insertion of Juliet Balcony, creation of a front, a rear and a side canopy, erection of first floor side extension with rear balcony and conversion of loft with the insertion of roof lights.*

*All members **RESOLVED NO OBJECTION***

*17/500284/FULL – The Three Sons, Hampstead Lane. Nettlestead*

*Retrospective: Change of use of the land from agricultural to Gypsy residential use to include 2 residential log cabins, amenity blocks and small stable. Associated hard and soft landscaping. Temporary permission sought for a period of 5 years.*

*(Appeal against Enforcement – 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017)*

*All members **RESOLVED** that they would like to see the application refused on the following grounds: -*

*Metropolitan Green Belt*

*Visual appearance appalling*

*Potential Flood Zone*

*Access onto highway*

*17/500268/FULL – 1 Malthouse Cottages, Maidstone Road. Wateringbury*

*New roof addition to existing courtyard to create new kitchen/dining area.*

*All members **RESOLVED NO OBJECTION***

**Outcome of Previous Applications**

None

**Enforcement**

None.

**14. Financial Reports**

a. To make payments.

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Cheque List

2nd February 2017

Cheque No	Gross	VAT	Nett	Supplier	Details
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001874	£77.86	£1.33	£76.53	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Clerks expenses - February
001875	£469.82	nil	£469.82	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Clerk's salary - February
001876	£117.06	£5.57	£111.49	Eon	Street lighting energy - December
001877	£396.00	£66.00	£330.00	Play quest	Cable ride - safety check
001878	£170.00	nil	£170.00	Rita Parkinson	Parish magazine printing - February
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,230.74</b>	<b>£72.90</b>	<b>£1,157.84</b>		

b. Budget monitoring report at 01/02/17  
Noted by all members as correct.

**15. Future agenda items**

Parking update – Bishops Close/Bryant Close  
Footpaths/Highways  
Dog bins  
Hedges/Verges  
Donations

**16. Date of next meeting**

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017, 7.45pm Nettlestead Village Hall

There being be no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.