

**NETTLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 1st MARCH 2018 AT 7.45PM,**  
**NETTLESTEAD VILLAGE HALL, NETTLESTEAD**

**Members Present**

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

**1. Apologies for absence**

Cllr Jackie Bennett, the Clerk Mrs Michelle Rumble

**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. There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Confirmation of Minutes of February Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 were approved and signed as a true and correct record, **RESOLVED** by all member's present. The Closed Session minutes from the February meeting will be circulated and signed at the meeting in April.

**4. Matters arising from the minutes**

Flood Group

It was noted that the owners of all the 8 properties identified as being at flood risk had responded to the Environment Agency, and of these, 7 have been allocated phase 1 or phase 2 protection, with one property not being eligible.

**5. Neighbourhood Watch**

None

**6. Police Report**

No report

**7. Chatterbox**

Cllr Bennett was not in attendance, so no report received.

**8. Parish Magazine**

The Clerk has applied to the County Councillor through her member grant scheme for a Grant of £250.00 towards the Parish magazine printing. Cllr Van Hensbergen had collected £214.00 in advertising costs.

**9. Village Hall**

Cllr Meredith has resigned as Acting Chairman from the Village Hall Committee, but will continue to remain as the liaison to the Parish Council. There will be a Fund raising event by way of a Fashion Show on the 13<sup>th</sup> July.

**10. KGV Field**

Grounds Maintenance

The new Grounds maintenance contractor has carried out their first cut of the season, and the Council were happy with the work. It was also confirmed that the Grounds maintenance contractor will empty the bin in the KGV Field.

The Clerk had prior to the meeting circulated a Tree Safety Audit report on the trees at the KGV Field, the works recommended by the Company have been taken on board by the Council and the Clerk was instructed to seek quotes for the work and report to the Council at the next meeting.

**11. Highways & Footpaths**

11.1 Highway matters

Cllr Thomas had prepared a summary of the questionnaires received, and it was agreed that a letter be drafted for the Parish Council to send to Maidstone Borough Council to support the opposition to the planned bollards. It was also agreed that there were side issues which need to be reported, including a defective light and three abandoned vehicles.

The Clerk was asked to report a pot hole on the B2015 and a complaint had been received from a resident asking if the Parish Council could ask that the Beech Hedge on the corner of Station Road could be cut back.

**12. Correspondence**

None

**13. Planning**

**New applications**

New applications

18/500189/FULL – 1 Old School Cottages, Maidstone Road. Nettlestead

Erection of a single storey rear extension to provide utility, wet room and ground floor bedroom with disabled access.

All members **RESOLVED NO OBJECTION**

**Outcome of Previous Applications**

None

**Enforcement**

None

**14. Financial matters**

*a. To make payments*

**RESOLVED** by all members to make the following payments, all cheques will be signed outside the meeting.

				<b>NPC - Cheque List</b>	<b>1st March 2018</b>

<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Nett</b>	<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Details</b>
001948	£396.12	£66.00	£330.12	SSE Contracting	Street lighting maintenance
001949	£1,000.00	nil	£1,000.00	Nettlestead Village Hall	Grant
001950	£128.04	£6.10	£121.94	Eon	Street lighting energy - January
001951	£479.01	nil	£479.01	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Salary - March
001952	£68.70	£0.44	£68.26	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Expenses - February/March
001953	£288.00	£48.00	£240.00	Tree Cycle	Tree Safety Audit
001954	£444.00	£74.00	£370.00	Capel Groundcare	GM Contract - first month
	£2,803.87	£194.54	£2,609.33		

*b. Budget monitoring report at 01/03/18*

Noted by all members,

**16. Future agenda items**

Parking update – Bishops Close/Bryant Close - questionnaire

GDPR

Tree Audit - Quotes

**17. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

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