

THE PARISH COUNCIL OF NEWTON-UPON-RAWCLIFFE & STAPE

The Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Newton upon Rawcliffe on Thursday 5th January 2017 at 7.00 p.m.

- Present:** Chairman Ian Parkin
Deputy Chairman Steven Jackson
Councillor Ian Clough
Councillor Josephine Hall
Councillor Philip Jackson
Councillor David Hall
- Also present: Mrs Helen Pells, Parish Clerk
- 01/2017** To Receive & Approve Apologies for Absence
All Council members in attendance.
- 02/2017** To Approve & Sign as a Correct Record the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd November 2016
It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
- 03/2017** Declarations of Members' Interests in Respect of Items on this Agenda
No declarations made.
- 04/2017** Open Forum
No members of the public present.

- 05/2017** **Planning Application: NYM/2016/0728/FL**
Application in respect of construction of two storey rear extension following demolition of existing porch at Holly House, Newton upon Rawcliffe. Grid Reference: 481242 490600. The site was visited by Councillors Josephine Hall and David Hall. After their report was given it was **RESOLVED** that the council had no objection to this planning application.
- 06/2017** **Planning Application: NYM/2016/0822/FL**
Application in respect of erection of larch clad linked side extension, removal of existing front extension and rear porch and re-rendering of existing dwelling at Zion Farm, Stape. Grid Reference: 481767 495347
The site was visited by Councillors Ian Clough and Philip Jackson. After their report was given it was **RESOLVED** that the council had no objection to this planning application.
- 07/2017** **NYMNPA – Community Grant**
Councillor Josephine Hall requested the support of the Council for the Newton upon Rawcliffe Playing Fields Association's (NURPFA) application for money from the above grant. Money awarded would be used towards the cost of the zip wire planned for the playing field.
The Parish Council **RESOLVED** to support the application.
- 08/2017** **Re-instatement of Cemetery Committee**
The cemetery committee oversaw maintenance and safety in the cemetery and monitored cemetery income on a yearly basis ensuring that fees and precept supported the cemetery when income was insufficient.
It was proposed that two councillors serve on the committee and meet at regular intervals. Councillors Josephine Hall and David Hall volunteered to cover this post until the Annual Meeting when committee members would be elected.

It was therefore **RESOLVED** to reinstate the cemetery committee.

09/2017 Future Organization of Planning Applications

It was proposed to have a planning co-ordinator with a team of 3 other councillors. On receiving a planning application, the clerk would as usual inform all the councillors by email and pass the paper work itself to the planning co-ordinator who would choose two of the team to visit the site. They would report back either to a planning meeting (when the date for comments to the relevant authority fell before the next scheduled meeting) or an ordinary meeting of the council. It was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous decision to adopt this proposal.

10/2017 Precept

Following a discussion and taking the future needs of the Parish Council into account considering financial government aid for the web-site was for only a year, it was proposed to request an increase to the precept by £100 to £2200. This would not include monies to the clerk for editing the website. The clerk, Mrs Pells, suggested that she kept a diary of the hours she spent on council business.

It was therefore **RESOLVED** by a unanimous decision to increase the precept to £2200.

11/2017 Correspondence & Matters to report from the Clerk

It had been reported that one of the doors of the notice board in Newton upon Rawcliffe had been blown off by the wind. Matters were in hand to see if the door could be repaired.

12/2016 Finance

No cheques for approval and signing.

Balance on the 28th December 2016: £9095.06

13/2017 Outstanding Matters

1. **Community Speed Watch**. Councillor Josephine Hall had been contacted by community speed watch co-ordinator (Jamie Smith).
2. **Moles** The clerk had written to Mr Stephen Hodgson with regards to the mole situation.
3. **Telephone Kiosk** Progressing
4. **Bollards in Stape Road** No change
5. **Newton Village Green** Waiting to hear from RDC as to whether it would support the placement of large boulders on the corner which has been damaged by vehicles reversing.

14/2017 Matters to report from the Chairman

The Chairman requested that the Parish Council formerly thank Ozzie and Christine Harrison and Jane Hemingway for their financial support and work in providing and decorating the beautiful Christmas Tree in Newton.

Thanks also needs to be made to them alongside Angela Hemingway for providing mince pies and hot chocolate for the carol singers around the tree.

15/2017 Matters for future consideration and any other business

- + Deteriorating condition of Stape Village Hall
- + Grit heaps need to be topped up.
- + Worries over the lack of gritting of Newbridge Hill.

Minutes: 5th January 2017

✚ A considerable stretch of Heads Road was ignored and not resurfaced during the recent resurfacing work. Edges of the road on this stretch are beginning to collapse.

16/2017 **Date of Next Meeting**
Thursday 2nd March 2017

The meeting ended at 8.04 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman: _____ Date: