

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

7.00pm Tuesday 1st May 2018

Nesscliffe Village Hall

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Phil Brooks (Chairman), Shropshire Councillor Ed Potter. Other: 17 members of the public
Clerk: Rebecca Turner

1. **Apologies for absence** – David Nunn & Cllr. Mike Arthur (PC Chairman). In the absence of the PC Chairman, the Vice Chair, Cllr. Phil Brooks chaired the meeting.
2. **To approve the minutes of previous meetings** – It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 9 May & 23 Nov 2017 and they were duly signed by the chairman.
3. **Matters Arising** – it was noted that the changes to the timeline
4. **Parish Council Report** by Great Ness and Little Ness Parish Council Chairman, Cllr. Mike Arthur (written), read out by Cllr. Phil Brooks:

The year has seen many houses built Some individual plots and some very large schemes. Hopefully the balance for a range of houses to suit all parishioners' needs will be met and a balance of how many we need to sustain the school and retain our rural outlook. Proposals are in place for traffic calming in Nesscliffe provided by the developer of the housing scheme opposite The Crescent. The roads have taken a battering this winter and all areas are badly affected. I hope Shropshire Council will catch up. However. keep reporting them to us and we will keep the pressure on the Highways.

Crime levels are low for us on the whole, long may it continue.

The Adcote bridge has still not been sorted and we now have problems with Milford bridge wall collapse. As you are aware the precept has risen for our parishes as we are getting less from local government coffers. We are hoping to still get funding for our very successful youth club in Nesscliffe.

I would like to thank all my fellow councillors & the clerk for their time and input & all the people who have attended the meetings and helped with the decisions made. Please feel free to come to all our meetings and voice your concerns or even your support for all parish matters as we strive to maintain our wonderful parishes so we can all enjoy living here.

5. **Finance Report**
End of year accounts 2017/18

RECEIPTS	Actual 2016/17	Budget 2017/18	Actual 31.3.18
Precept	£16,604.00	£17,230.00	£17,230.00
Environmental Maintenance Grant	£1,600.00	£1,600.00	£2,262.96
Transparency Grant	£279.84	£0.00	£411.99
LJC Youth Grant & donations from other parishes	£1,199.19	£0.00	£2,350.98
Neighbourhood Fund	£1,452.93	£0.00	£8,698.82
VAT refund	£0.00		£1,464.47
Other income	£900.00	£0.00	£0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£22,035.96	£18,830.00	£32,419.22
PAYMENTS	Actual 2016/17	Budget 2017-18	Actual 31.3.18
Administrative & Establishment Costs:			
Clerk's Salary	£6,179.80	£6,242.00	£5,975.47
HMRC Home Working Allowance	£208.00	£208.00	£155.99
Misc admin	£166.03	£400.00	£482.69
Mileage	£37.05		£8.55
Training (Clerk/Councillors)	£51.00	£200.00	£183.20
Audit (Internal & External)	£345.00	£300.00	£225.00
Insurance	£698.36	£750.00	£597.29
Professional Subscriptions (SALC/SLCC)	£418.32	£465.00	£390.82
ICO Registration	£35.00	£35.00	£35.00
Election Costs	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub Total Admin & Establishment	£8,138.56	£8,600.00	£8,054.01
Play areas - Nesscliffe & Wilcott			
Grounds maintenance (grass cutting, hedges etc)	£950.00	£1,435.00	£1,098.00
Annual ROSPA Inspections	£0.00	£0.00	£265.00
Interim inspections by Shropshire Council (monthly)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Other maintenance	£268.00	£0.00	£2,976.82
Sub Total Play Areas	£1,218.00	£1,435.00	£4,339.82
Cemetery			
Grounds maintenance (grass cutting, hedges etc)	£1,450.00	£1,600.00	£1,138.00
Sub Total Cemetery	£1,450.00	£1,600.00	£1,138.00
Street Lighting			
Electricity	£245.28	£500.00	£121.56
Maintenance / Inspections	£695.00		£362.00
Sub Total Street Lighting	£940.28	£500.00	£483.56
Nesscliffe Youth Club			
Youth worker	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£3,500.00
Sub Total Youth Club	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£3,500.00
Projects/Grants			
British Legion Poppy Appeal	£34.00	£40.00	£34.00
Portacabin	£194.74	£200.00	£123.66
Village Hall Donations	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
GPC grants	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00
Wilcott dog bin waste collection	£0.00	£340.00	£0.00
Car park waste collection	£0.00	£400.00	£0.00
Neighbourhood CIL	£1,800.93	£0.00	£0.00
Defibrillator	£2,861.45	£0.00	£0.00
Sub Total Projects/Grants	£5,991.12	£2,080.00	£157.66
Asset Management			
Bus shelter cleaning	£150.00	£200.00	£160.00
Bus shelter maintenance	£0.00	£200.00	£0.00
Noticeboards	£791.00	£0.00	£690.00
War memorials	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Footpath maintenance	£165.00	£165.00	£165.00
Sub Total Asset Management	£1,106.00	£565.00	£1,015.00
Other			
Contingency	£4.00	£150.00	£0.00
VAT	£1,384.98		£1,331.60
Sub Total Other	£1,388.98	£150.00	£1,331.60
GRAND TOTAL PAYMENTS	£23,732.94	£18,430.00	£20,019.65

Budget for 2018-19 – balanced budget with 17% increase in precept due to loss of grants

RECEIPTS	Budget 2018/19
Precept	£20,504.00
Parish Portion - 15% CIL monies	£0.00
Environmental Maintenance Grant	£0.00
LIC Youth Grant & donations	£500.00
VAT refund	
Other	£0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£21,004.00
PAYMENTS	Budget 2018/19
Administrative & Establishment Costs:	
Clerk's Salary	£6,247.00
Pension	£0.00
Mileage	£50.00
Office Expenses	£408.00
Software	£250.00
Training (Clerk/Councillors)	£200.00
Audit (Internal & External)	£325.00
Insurance	£650.00
Subscriptions (SALC)	£450.00
ICO Registration	£35.00
Election Costs	£200.00
GDPR Compliance	£280.00
Sub Total Admin & Establishment	£9,095.00
Recreation Grounds	
Grounds maintenance	£1,435.00
RoSPA	£255.00
Interim inspections	£625.00
Other maintenance	£0.00
Sub Total Recreation Grounds	£2,315.00
Street lighting	
Electricity	£0.00
Maintenance/inspections	£100.00
Sub Total Street Lighting	£100.00
Nesscliffe Youth Club	
Youth worker	£3,500.00
Sub Total Nesscliffe Youth Club	£3,500.00
Projects & Grants	
British Legion Poppy Appeal	£40.00
Portacabin	£300.00
Village Hall Donations	£1,000.00
GPC grants	£100.00
Neighbourhood CIL	£0.00
Sub Total Projects & Grants	£1,440.00
Asset Management	
Bus shelter cleaning	£200.00
Bus shelter maintenance	£200.00
Noticeboards	£0.00
War memorials	£0.00
Footpath maintenance	£175.00
Sub Total Asset Management	£575.00
Other	
Contingency	£1,500.00
Parish Plan Review	£2,479.00
VAT	
Sub Total Other	£3,979.00
GRAND TOTAL PAYMENTS	£21,004.00

6. **Local Plan Review** – Liam Cowden, Principal Planning Policy Officer spoke. He explained the background to the LP Review – a formal housing and employment assessment and green belt review has been carried out. The aim is to adopt the plan by Oct 2020 and submit it for Examination by Dec 2019. In Nesscliffe the proposal is for a net additional 15 dwellings in windfall locations. It was noted that over 100 dwellings have been permitted to date which is well over the SAMDEV target. LC advised that SC will look at the fact most permission just outline at present not committed so will not discount them off future demand unless coming forward. Errors in how the service provision has been scored in Nesscliffe were highlighted to LC.

The next steps in the LP Review are:

- Review scoring of services in settlements
- Derive a new housing guideline covering 2016 to 2036
- Identify development boundary for settlements; this may help limit development
- Consider need for site allocations and/or windfall

SC hopes to engage with the PC and start the review in June, finishing by end of August and consulting in October /November.

It was confirmed that, if the parish wishes, the community clusters (Hopton, Great Ness, Little Ness, Kinton, Wilcott, Felton Butler) will be open countryside following the review.

There was discussion re whether the services on the new A5 should be counted – LC insisted it is part of the hub serving parish.

Concern was expressed that developers are going from 3 to 4 beds via back door amendments and this is against the Parish Plan / Housing Needs data which identifies a need for smaller houses.

Little Ness parish – the road condition has been aggravated by builders’ deliveries, road closures.

Adverse impact of development on the country park

The poor quality of development opposite The Crescent was raised.

LC advised that SC try to ask for high quality and sustainability but are constrained by viability.

7. **Other Reports:**

a) **Police Report** – None.

b) **Shropshire Council** –

c) **Church Report** – None.

Youth Club – Lee Overton. Thanks to the LJC, Ed Potter and Eleanor Gilbert, Torie Gilbert, Emma Diggory and Becky Price. £13k was awarded this year to the LJC as a whole plus a £33k rurality pot. There are big issues for the rural youth especially isolation. Montford and Ruyton helped fund the cost of the club. Maximum attendance last year was 45 with an average of 25 per session.

Little Ness Village Hall Report –report appended

School – Mrs Nicola Bond reported that the numbers are currently at 46 pupils. Ofsted report now good. A special needs hub for 10 Moderate Learning Difficulties and/or ASD children is opening in the old pre-school.

8. **Open forum where members of the public may raise any subject for the exchange of information and general discussion.**

- Wilcott Lane – speed of traffic. Did have slow signs but now faded. An accident occurred and the telegraph pole was hit. Requesting a speed limit of 30mph. This would need to be raised as a community concern and via the police and Safer Schools. Alterations to the road were put forward as part of planning for new houses.

- New houses and state of roads. Concern for users of country park – safety for walkers, riders etc. On-road parking for new houses a concern. Character of new houses not in keeping.
- The Foxholes sheds are too dominant.
- Impact of tractors/trailers on Milford Bridge. Earth banks damaged and stone falling onto road.
- Speed through Nesscliffe. HGVs – go through early morning rather than using the bypass.
- 100 year centenary and other anniversaries – 50 to 100 trees idea, potentially via SC free tree scheme. Native hardwoods suggested between The Three Pigeons and school - 20 trees? Triangle by Hopton Lane junction, by St Andrews school triangle. Avenue of trees on access to playing field.
- Concern re street lights being off and safety by garages and walkway between old and new Crescent. It was noted that this will be looked at within 12 months of the lights being turned off.

Meeting closed: 8.30 pm.