NYMET ROWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the 166th meeting of the Parish Council, held on Wednesday 16th May 2018 at 7.30.

Present:- Councillors Babs Channing (Chair), David Gruncell (vice Chair), Viv O'Dell, Winnie Rookes, Anthony Odhams, Clerk Roger Cooper.

Questions from members of the Public. MOP Ian Binnie, who spoke on behalf of the Emergency Plan Committee at the March meeting read out a statement complaining about the minutes relating to that section, Mr Binnie then left the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting on 28th March 2018 therefore need to be looked at again and changed if necessary. RC agreed to consult with the councillors to amend some of the wording, if and as required, and defer signing until the next meeting.

Matters Arising:-

- 1) Pothole/road maintenance. BC to wrote to Stephen Tucker about this, requesting a site visit and is awaiting a reply. Oliver Williams will be able to work on the village potholes when they have dried up.
- 2) Emergency Plan. The Village Hall Committee agreed to allow the Hall to be used as the emergency centre, but because of insurance restrictions they could not supply a key to be kept in the control centre, it would have to be collected from Alex Pike. The VHC would also want the PC or MDDC to pay for the use of the hall and its amenities.
- 3) New Bench. No progress so remove from list for now.
- 4) Internet/telephone banking. RC reports that part of the documentation given to Natwest Crediton in March had been lost, replacements now handed in.
- 5) "VETS" telephone system. RC now has the cost for sharing the system with another village, the first 2 years will cost £174 solo and £156 if shared. As the saving is quite small it was decided to postpone a decision until the PC knows more about the Coldridge notification system, RC to investigate.
- 6) Foul water. BC advised that John Daw and Adrian Pike are trying to trace the source of the water, it is not obvious where it is coming from.
- 7) First responder volunteer list. AO has made progress compiling the list of about 10 people to respond in an emergency, and will arrange free training/updates when suitable.
- 8) Annual litter pick. BC thanked OW for again organising this.

Finance report:- RC reported that the bank balance now stands at £2,258. RC to ask Roland Smith to conduct the audit of the Annual Accounts. BC proposed that the PC pays St Bartholomews Church £100 for Cemetary upkeep and The Village Hall £50 towards general upkeep, motion carried.

New Business:-

Hele Farm has received planning permission to build a replacement shed.

BC advised that the Chair's annual report is available for all to read and comment on.

Date of next meeting:- Wednesday 11th July 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.

At this point THE ANNUAL PARISH meeting took place. There were no M.O.P.s present.

BC pointed out that once again the HGV warning sign had been removed, at the Lapford entrance to the Village, RC to contact Highways, and to suggest that the sign is sited on the other side of the road.

The meeting closed at 9.02pm.