

NYMET ROWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, and the 181st meeting of the Parish Council, held on Wednesday 26th May 2021, in the Village Hall.

Present were Anthony Odhams (Chair), David Gruncell (Vice Chair), Councillors Winnie Rookes, Babs Channing, Viv O'Dell. Clerk Roger Cooper. District Councillor Peter Heal, Ward Councillor Mark Wooding. MoP Roland Smith (The Pump) .

The Parish Meeting opened at 7.30pm.

M.W. questioned P.H. about 'Free movement re affordable homes in this area'. Apparently Mid Devon Council is underwriting the costs of this. PH informed us that there is a finance meeting about this in about 2 weeks. He will update us when possible. No other items raised and the annual parish meeting meeting closed at 7.45pm.

The Parish Council meeting opened at 7.46pm.

Both the Chair and Vice Chair stood down but were re-appointed unanimously.

Minutes of the emergency meeting held on April 21st 2021 were approved and signed.

Matters arising:-

- 1) Pothole/road maintenance. PH has talked to Stephen Tucker about this issue again, he is trying to arrange a zoom meeting about it. AO stated that the Parish Council has done all it can to prevent water running down the side of the road; and wondered why Highways still haven't ploughed the verges back, as they committed, to improve drainage. It would be a good use of monies. PH will help if possible. MW suggested Margaret Squires should be involved. MoP mentioned problem of mud on road on the corner by Mary Shapland's field. He was advised to raise this with the farmer concerned, as the problem mainly occurs within the Lapford Parish.
- 2) VH car park repairs. As this has now been done RC said that he would send the £250 the PC set aside, to the VH committee.
- 3) Change of priority at Eggesford Cross junction. RC said there has been no response yet from MS, ST and DCC roads, he will ask her to chase this request.
- 4) Memorial bench and tree. DG has spoken to Richard Daw re the plot of land required to accommodate this. An on site meeting with Mr Daw is to be arranged.
- 5) Emergency Plan. MW had volunteered to draft the revisions, explained this is in progress.
- 6) Pony Paddock. V O'D said she will contact the owner and explain what is happening at the site, and see what information she can obtain from her regarding the usage of it
- 7) Streetlight pollution. RC has not done anything about this as yet. AO has checked measurements re the height of the lights, some of which seem very high. Review required

as to what light is actually needed to enable safety of walkers and traffic and not be intrusive in peoples Homes.

8) Village Party. AO agreed it would be nice to have some sort of gathering. MW suggested maybe a picnic, but thought it is too early to start organising something with the current situation in mind.

Finance report. No change from the previous meeting. RS agreed to do audit again.

Dates of next meetings:- August 11th 2021, November 10th 2021, February 9th 2022.

The meeting closed at 8-30pm.