

**NETTLEDEN WITH POTTEN END PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
In the Church Rooms, Potten End at 7.30pm**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Cllr Burfot, Cllr Grimsdale, Cllr Gurney, Cllr Senior, Cllr Spanswick,

Clerk: Katrina Bond

Also Present: Cllr Terry Douris, Parish Warden Kevin Furness and 5 members of the public.

**10/17/1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Wright, Cllr Mitchell and Cllr Durrant.
2. The Chairman reported that he had received a written resignation from Cllr Mitchell that would take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

**10/17/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- 2.1 Cllr Spanswick declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 8a: Proposal to consider the Borough Planning Site Allocation Consultation.

**10/17/3 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (16<sup>th</sup> November 2017)**

The minutes were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as being a true record.

**10/17/4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- 4.1 **The Old Green:** Thanks were given to the Parish Council for the recent works to the Old Green.

**10/17/5 REPORTS**

- 5.1 **Police Report:** No report had been received.
- 5.2 **Parish Warden Report:** Brambles had been strimmed on the Old Green. Extensive litter picking had taken place throughout the Parish. Some salt spreading had taken place after a recent snow fall. It was felt that the Parish Council should invest in a salt spreader to make this job easier. It was reported that there was a fallen tree on the Old Green. The Warden agreed to investigate this.

**10/17/6 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE OPEN SPACES WORKING PARTY**

- 6.1 Proposal to approve the Grass Cutting Contract for 2018/2020:** The draft contract has been circulated to all Councillors. The Working Party will confirm details for the management of the Old Green prior to the contract being put out to tender.
- 6.2 Cricket Club Netting:** Cllr Senior and Cllr Spanswick attended a meeting with the Cricket Club and Mr Wallis. It was agreed that Cllr Senior would source suppliers of new netting and a second meeting will be organised in the New Year.
- 6.3 Liquid Amber Tree:** Cllr Burfot has obtained a price for this tree and has offered to plant at no cost.
- 6.4 Allotments:** The Working Party agreed to review the Constitution in the New Year.

**10/17/7 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION WORKING PARTY**

- 7.1 Approval of Accounts to be Paid:**

DBC (Burial Ground Loan Repayment)	£1,000.00
Kevin Furness (PW duties w/e10.11.17-w/e1.12.17)	£416.00
DCVS (Clerk's salary & Payroll Fees – Dec17)	£715.26
- 7.2 Proposal to approve the budget figures for Financial Year 2018/2019:** The draft figures had been drawn up by the Working Party and circulated to all Councillors. The budget was approved and agreed by all Councillors.

**10/17/8 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE PLANNING WORKING PARTY**

4/03008/17 Deers Leap Retention of 2 garden sheds, decking No obj  
18 Rambling Way and Pergola

- 8.1 Proposal to consider the Borough Planning Site Allocation Consultation:** Cllr Grimsdale had undertaken extensive research on the recent proposals and he presented his findings to the meeting. It was agreed that Cllr Grimsdale would draft a response on behalf of the Parish Council. Residents were invited to send Cllr Grimsdale their comments before a response was submitted.

**10/17/9 REPORT AND UPDATE FROM THE TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS WORKING PARTY**

Cllr Burfot read out a report submitted by Cllr Wright.

- 9.1 Proposal to consider the installation of Parking Bays on the Village Green:** It was agreed to seek alternative parking solutions in the village in view of 5 serious objections from Historic England, Chiltern Conservation Board, Chiltern Society, Natural England and the Open Spaces Society. With these objections it is unlikely the Planning Inspectorate will support the original proposal.
- 9.2 Road Surface along Hempstead Lane:** Repairs to the disintegrating surface is still awaited.
- 9.3 Accident spot at the junction of The Green and Church Road/ Water End Road:**

Herts Highways are still scheduled to refresh the road markings and to provide information from the police report relating to a recent spate of accidents.

- 9.4 40mph zone:** it was previously accepted that this would not be possible within the Parish. Mike Wallis raised this issue again at the last meeting. Cllr Douris would be invited to explain his reasoning for advising not to pursue this matter.

**10/17/10 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2018 Commencing at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.10pm.

Signed.....

(Chairman)

Date.....