

NETHERWITTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2023
AT 5.30 PM IN NETHERWITTON VILLAGE HALL

Present:

Councillors: J Trevelyan (Chairman)
Geoff Robson
Alun Moore
Louise Spriggs
John Goodfellow
M Robson

Clerk: D Smith

Apologies:

16/23 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman welcomed everyone present.

17/23 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations on this occasion.

18/23 Public Participation Time

There were no public present and no questions on this occasion.

19/23 Police Update

There was no update on this occasion.

It was reported that a cultivator had been stolen.

RESOLVED

Information duly noted.

20/23

County Councillor Update

The Town Clerk gave the following update:

- NCC are announcing a new Environmental Policy and a Climate Change Action Plan revision. This policy will look at shaping services without budget cuts, increasing recycling, decreasing fly tipping, litter picking, establishing more green spaces with 2 Green Flag Status and ensuring beaches meet the right standards for bathing and talking to Town/Parish Councils.
- 'Fix My Street' is working well with 14,000 comments/issues logged since launched.
- The budget setting process has begun, looking at a 2 year budget with savings of £35m with no service cuts and subsidies still available to those that need them.
- Excellent exam results in Northumberland, back to pre-covid levels for exam results. 94% schools scoring good or above with Ofsted, which is 6% above the national average.

RESOLVED

Information duly noted.

21/23

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 30th May 2023.

Members were asked to approve the above minutes.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the minutes of 30th May 2023, a copy of which had been circulated to each member, be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

22/23

Matters Arising from Previous Council Meetings

- (i) **Min 09/23 (49/22) (35/22) (22/22) (09/22) (57/21) (45/21) (21/21) (12/21 (b)) - Defibrillator**

Members were advised that the defibrillator at Longwitton has now been installed and is working well.

RESOLVED

- a. Information duly noted.
b. To chase up a location for the defibrillator at Stanton.

23/23

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

There were no applications to consider on this occasion.

24/23

Financial Matters

Members were asked to approve the payments and receipts list and budget report up to 30th September 2023.

RESOLVED

To approve the above reports.

25/23

External Audit 2022/23

Members were advised that no issues have been raised during the above audit.

RESOLVED

Information duly noted.

26/23

Any Other Urgent Business

To investigate the planting of a hedge and clearing of the area near the bridge in the village.

27/23

Dates of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place in December 2023. The Clerk to circulate dates.

The meeting concluded at 5.50pm.