

**- LOWER HARDRES AND NACKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019**

In attendance were Cllrs McCully, Taylor. Beaumont and the Parish Clerk

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Miss Grundy and Moore

**2. Declarations of Interest and completion of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Register**

**3. To Approve the Minutes of the Last Parish Council Meeting and Matters Arising**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

**Item 7 Highway Matters:** The Clerk was advised that yellow lines on roads are the responsibility of the City Council. The Clerk to follow this up.

**4. Financial Matters**

(i) To Consider PCC request for a grant towards the upkeep of the Burial Grounds  
Members agreed to a grant of £500.00 for each Church for the current year and will consider the funding for 2020/21 at the budget meeting in November.

(ii) Members approved the following invoices for payment

M. Harris	£ 59.99	Website Host
HMRC	£ 62.60	PAYE
Parish Clerk	£ 32.77	Expenses & Stationery
Parochial Church Council	£1000.00	Grant towards Burial Grounds upkeep

(iii) To complete bank mandate

This item was deferred

(iv) Parish Capital Grant

Following suggestions for road safety signs, the City Council advised the Clerk that they do not normally fund items under the control of another authority. If they were to consider an application it would require written consent from KCC Highways that they support the signs and to select a suitable location. As time is now very short for applications it was agreed not to pursue this suggestion.

(v) VE Day Celebrations

This item to be discussed at the November meeting.

(vi) Web site Accessibility

Both the Clerk and Cllr Taylor have spoken with our website manager who feels that we may be able to achieve the requirement. Cllr Taylor has outlined items on the KALC bulletin sheet that we must achieve and will forward that on to the website manager.

(vii) Members approved the Payments Sheet and Draft Level of Reserves as at 27<sup>th</sup> August.

Draft Level of Reserves 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	
<b>Opening Balance 01.04.18</b>	<b>11818.84</b>
Income Received to Date	
Precept	7480.00
Concurrent Functions Funding	1774.15
Total	9254.15
<b>Total Income &amp; Reserves</b>	<b>21072.99</b>
Less expenditure to date	4047.99
<b>Balance</b>	<b>17025.00</b>
Bank Balances as at 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	
Lloyds Account sheet 22	9725.13
National Savings Account	7299.87
<b>Balance</b>	<b>17025.00</b>

**5. Planning Matters**

- (i) 19/01615 Whitehill House, Bridge Road, Lower Hardres  
Proposal: TPO No 2,1973- T1 (Holly)- reduce to below previous cutting points and re-shape. T2 (Yew) reduce to previous cutting point and re-shape, T3 (Garry Eliptica)- reduce to previous cutting point, T4 (Bay)- trim back re-growth. T5 (Ash)- cut back saplings to 5ft and tallest Ash reduce to previous cutting point, T6 (Cotton Poplar)- repollard, T7 (Silver Birch)- reduce stems down to natural weeping stems, T8 (Laburnum)- removal of 3 lowest branches. T9 (Rowan)-removal of side stem, T10 (Hawthorn)- fell, T11(Pine)- removal of branch nearest to house, T12 (Sycamore)- removal of low water shoot growth from main stem and reduce back overhang growth from right of the entrance to road side and T13 (Rowan)- remove low growth over garage roof.  
Members supported the above application.

**6. Planning Decisions Granted by CCC**

- (i) 19/01518/LUP Willow House, Nackington Road, Lower Hardres  
Application for lawful development certificate for proposed single-storey rear extension, timber cladding to ground-floor elevations, alterations to windows and doors to ground-floor and replacement canopy to front elevation following demolition of conservatory.  
Application withdrawn

**7. Highway Issues and PROW**

Members agreed that the HGV traffic had been particularly bad this last weekend due to the closure of the M20 between J9 and J11. However when the M20 was re-opened early during Sunday afternoon the use of the B2068 by HGV ceased. Cllr Taylor had received absolute assurance from a KCC Highways Officer that signs were placed at J11 informing lorries not to use the B2068, but when Cllr Taylor checked, there were no signs. He will be taking the matter up with KCC Cllr Northey.  
The Clerk to report that overhanging foliage is obscuring the sign advising that Bridge Road is unsuitable for HGV's.and to request a similar sign in Bridge Road by the 30mph sign.

**8. Broadband**

Following a meeting with the KCC UKBD Manager prior to commencement of the Parish Council meeting, at which he outlined the problem and possible solution of notspots in the Parish, a notice to be placed in the Parish News asking residents of Nackington and Pett Bottom to contact a member, Chairman or the Clerk if they are experiencing problems.

**9. Correspondence, Publications and any urgent matters**

Copy of Clerks & Councils Direct  
Copy of Countryside Voice

**10. Confirmed the Date of the next Meeting as 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019 5pm**

*The meeting closed at 6.35pm*

Signed.....Date.....