

**LOWER HARDRES AND NACKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8TH OCTOBER 2019**

1. In attendance were Cllrs McCully, Miss Grundy, Taylor, Moore, Beaumont, the Parish Clerk and one member of the public. There were no apologies for absence
2. **Declarations of Interest.** There were no declarations of interest
3. **To Approve the Minutes of the Last Parish Council Meeting and Matters Arising**
The minutes of the meeting held on 10th September 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.
Item 3 Matters arising – Highways: Following up the possibility of yellow lines in part of School Lane, the Clerk has requested both KCC Cllr Northey and CCC Cllr Thomas for assistance on this matter as it requires co-operation between both Authorities and we would require the Cllrs to speak on our behalf at the Joint Transport Board.
Item 7 Highways: The Clerk has reported the foliage overhanging and obscuring the B2068 signs advising that Bridge Road is unsuitable for HGV's
4. **Financial Matters**
 - (i) The following invoices were approved for payment

HMRC	£ 62.60	PAYE
Parish Clerk	£ 15.38	Expenses & Stationery
 - (ii) To complete bank mandate: Due to difficulties in downloading the Lloyds Bank Mandate, this item stands adjourned.
 - (iii) VE Day Celebrations: This item to be discussed at the November meeting.
 - (iv) Website Accessibility: Cllr Taylor will communicate with our website manager who is of the opinion that a simplified system to meet the requirements should not be too difficult to achieve.
 - (v) Members approved the Payments Sheet and Draft Level of Reserves as follows:

Draft Level of Reserves 24th September 2019		
Opening Balance 01.04.18		11818.84
Income Received to Date		
Precept	7480.00	
Concurrent Functions Funding	1774.15	
Total	9254.15	
Total Income & Reserves		21072.99
Less expenditure to date		4388.57
Balance		16684.42
Bank Balances as at 24 th September 2019		
Lloyds Account sheet 24		9384.55
National Savings Account		7299.87
Balance		16684.42

5. **Planning Matters**
 - (i) 19/01838 Winsole, Faussett Hill, Street End, Lower Hardres
Proposed two-storey side extension and extension of first floor dormer windows to front and rear, together with external alterations and a single-storey detached garage following demolition of existing garage. No objection
 - (ii) CA/19/01854/LUP Petcham House, 5, Nackington Park, Nackington Road, Lower Hardres.
Application for lawful certificate for proposed hip to gable roof extension to garage with additional dormer to front. No objection.

6. Planning Decisions Granted by CCC

- (i) 19/01519 Willow House, Nackington Road, Lower Hardres
Proposed first-floor side extension, single-storey rear extension and external alterations to include cladding of the dwelling. Window and door alterations and replacement canopy to front elevation.
- (ii) CA//19/01342/FUL Little Eaton Farm. Pett Bottom Road, Lower Hardres
Change of use of agricultural barn and single-storey outbuilding to residential dwelling along with double garage and associated alterations including new openings.
- (iii) CA//19/01343/LB Little Eaton Farm, Pett Bottom Road, Lower Hardres
Application for listed building consent for external/internal alterations including new internal walls, new internal openings along with a linked extension and new fenestration.
- (iv) 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.

7. Highway Issues and PROW

Cllr Taylor has written to KCC Cllr Northey about the lack of signs at J11 of the M20 advising HGV's not to use the B2068, but to date there has been no reply.

8. Broadband

There has only been two responses to our notice directed to Nackington Village and Pett Bottom. Just one from each area. The Clerk suggests that it remains in the Parish News in order to generate more interest. She also noticed that the word notspots had been altered to hotspots both in the notes and the notice.

9. Correspondence, Publications and any urgent matters

- Following Cllr Beaumont's article in the Parish News entitled 'A Village Tragedy' the Police Benevolent Society arranged to have the grave at Nackington tidied up, which now looks excellent, they also intend to hold a Memorial Service for the victims of the crash in the New Year.
- Members were disappointed to learn of the burglary at the Lower Hardres Farm Shop.
- The meeting was informed that KCC advise that action will be taken regarding the three dead or dying trees on the footpath which runs alongside The Old School House in School Lane.
- The Chairman advised that it is his intention to resign as Chairman of the Parish Council at the end of the financial year next March.

10. To Consider Winter Times for Meetings and Confirm Date of next Meeting

It was agreed to continue holding Parish Council meetings at 5pm on the second Tuesday of each month and confirmed the date of the next meeting as 12th November 2019 5pm

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