

[DRAFT] MINUTES

NEWTON ST LOE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Newton St Loe Parish Council held on Thursday 16 January 2020 at 7 p.m. in Newton St Loe Village Hall

Present: Parish councillors Mark Foster (Chairman), Judith Cook, Naomi Johns, David McLean and Jay Marshall

Also in attendance: Saltford Ward Councillor Alastair Singleton, Paul Fox (Bath Spa University), Christopher Willows (Parish Councils Airport Association), Clerk

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU71/19: Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Sheila Dench and John Everitt.

COU72/19: Declarations of interest

Members declared an interest as users of Bristol Airport

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COU73/19: District councillor's report

District councillor Alastair Singleton reported that Bath & North East Somerset Council had withdrawn from the West of England Joint Spatial Plan following its rejection by the Inspector. The Council would instead work with neighbouring councils on developing local planning strategy.

The establishment of the Bath Congestion Zone was currently being discussed.

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU74/19: Minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2019

The Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 21 November 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

COU75/19: Membership of the Parish Councils Airport Association

Christopher Willows, a member of Compton Dando Parish Council and representing the Parish Councils Airport Association, assisted the Parish Council with their discussion. He summarised the PCAA's position on the Airport's planning application, expected to be considered by North Somerset Council in February 2020.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council become a member of the Parish Councils Airport Association

The Chairman thanked Chris for his assistance.

COU76/19: Bath Spa University's strategic plans

Professor Paul Fox, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Finance and Infrastructure, Bath Spa University, updated members on the University's strategic plans. Members asked a number of questions.

The Chairman thanked Paul for his presentation.

COU77/19: Invoices for payment and staff costs

RESOLVED that the following invoices and staff costs be approved for payment:

- Crispin Taylor (Clerk), total staff costs for October and November 2019: £429.52
- GB Sports & Leisure, annual playground inspection of play area: £96

COU78/19: Parish Council budget for 2020/21

Members considered a draft budget (Annex 1)

RESOLVED that the draft budget be approved and adopted with the following amendments:

- £1000 to be included for fountain repairs
- £1000 to be included for recreation ground furniture such as picnic tables

RESOLVED that the precept for Newton St Loe Parish Council for 2020/21 be set at £7000

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

COU79/19: Income and expenditure report (Annex 2)

Received

COU80/19: Maintenance issues

NOTED that the Council should contract for a twice yearly weed spraying on the highway

COU81/19: Future agenda items

- Internal auditor's recommendations
- Use of Community Infrastructure Levy
- Review of financial regulations
- Repairs to fountain
- Neighbourhood plan
- Quote for recreation ground maintenance
- Grants from climate change fund
- Online banking

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU82/19: Date of next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 12 March at 7 p.m. in Newton St Loe Village Hall

Meeting closed 8.45 p.m.

Signed.....

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Chairman

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