

Newton Poppleford & Harpford Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 27th June 2016
in the Village Hall at 8pm (note this meeting did not consist of a Quorum , but the urgency
of some matters needed to be cleared)

Present: Cllrs: Burhop, Downen, Kemp, Ranger, & Zirker.	Actions
Apologies: - Cllrs: Jeffery (Illness) Tillotson (Holiday) Coppell (Working) Clarke (Previous engagement) Walker (holiday) Lipczynski (previous engagement) Channon.CC	
In attendance: - D G Atkins (Clerk & RFO), PCSO Steve Lee, Sgt Andy Turner & Chris Jenner representing the F.A.B project, & 3 members of the public.	
<p>Open Session</p> <p>Shan Merritt raised the matter of the neighborhood plan status. It was noted that an update was required in respect of the housing survey to be incorporated in the questionnaire to be distributed throughout the parish.</p> <p>The matter of Tipton St John School closure was also brought to the meetings attention, as Shan felt it could have an impact on Newton Poppleford School.</p> <p>The matter of the Red Bridge and the River Otter was raised. Cllr Ranger updated those present of the current position. (Agenda item noted)</p> <p>Mr Chris Jenner from the FAB project (France, Alderney, Britain), addressed the meeting, this project is in connection with power supplies to and from the continent to Broadclyst distribution centre. It was noted it was an underground system and would come on land at Budleigh Salterton and then proceed through Hawkerland, to obtain the straightest line and avoiding the otter valley through Newton Poppleford. There was to be a wide area required for operational working and reinstatements of hedges, banks and accesses would be incorporated to a high standard. It was stated that his system was designed to save £12 per year off household electricity bills, in the area.</p> <p>There was to be consultation events held in the area at Budleigh Salterton, Exeter Golf and country club and Cranbrook.</p> <p>Impact studies have taken place and email invites to all would be forwarded. Booklets of information were given to those present; a planning application was required for earth works etc. Members questioned Mr Jenner and answers were given.</p>	
<p>Council Meeting</p> <p>Police report</p> <p>As the Police were present they reported on the year with comparisons from May last year to this and supplied a Performa with details. PC Lee forwarded an email with current details attached to main minutes and to be emailed to all members.</p> <p>Figures as presented to council yesterday, 1/5/16 to 31/5/16 “ -3 recorded crimes ;1 violence without injury,1 theft and 1 criminal damage. For same period last year 1 recorded crime of a public order offence. There were 8 police incidents in the parish compared to 21 the previous year.</p> <p>So far in June there has been 2 recorded crimes ,I will give end of month figures at next meeting.</p> <p>Other items of note,</p> <p>The man seen urinating in public is being dealt with. Harpford woods off road cyclists are being “discouraged” and dealt with jointly with Devon Clinton estates. Police operation “Mascot” carried out on 14/06/16 successful with defective vehicles travelling through village targeted and prohibited from being driven. Speeding operation also successful with a number of drivers having words of advice given to them. Police support proposed locations of VAS sign having met up with Councillor Matt and deployed our</p>	

<p>temporary sign to check that locations are practical . There is to be a meeting of interested parties on 14/07/16 at 1000 outside Newton Popleford school to discuss a way forward with traffic issues. In respect of the accident in School Lane Sgt Tumer had an idea of a drop off point at the Glebelands/Turmer Close area and the hope that all parking in School Lane could be removed and dedicated parking in the car park provided. Noted the chairman had been involved.</p>	
<p>Note: Agenda items were referred to and date to be confirmed for decisions to be made. (Tuesday 5th July)</p>	
<p>10. Items raised for further investigation referred to the Surgery rental and electricity usage re heating and consideration of a boiler installation. Cllr Burhop referred to the current situation pointing out that the doctors were only happy to agree a rental increase in line with the license.</p> <p>11. Red Bridge and flooding, meetings had been held and were ongoing. Natural engineering was highlighted along with affordability.</p> <p>12. A.V equipment. It was noted that the National lottery had supplied Grant Aid in the sum of £2450-00. Cllr Zirker updated the meeting on the position and available equipment. It was agreed to proceed with a purchase. Proposed Cllr Burhop 2nd Cllr Downen UNAN. (Note this was not using Parish Council Funds)</p> <p>13. VAS sites, It was further agreed to confirm the sites already proposed but that information re training under chapter 8 was awaiting confirmation to Cllr Coppell. Cllr Downen referred again to the accesses off Lower & Higher way, which it was considered needed further investigation for safety reasons, as the mirror did not always give a clear view. Action Clerk to E-Mail Mrs Pitchford.</p> <p>14. Queens Birthday review. It was noted that a loss had occurred on the dog show therefore the 20% profit contribution would not be available. Cllr Zirker provided a cost analysis indicating a small loss overall with final receipts awaited. Cllr Burhop proposed a vote of thanks be minuted for all those who had worked so hard for the day. Costs were £1658 and income £1500 approximately and could mean a loss of £204. Noted.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>A</p> <p>A</p>
<p>15. Reports External Audit: It was noted that this had to be cleared.</p> <p>16 . a. For forward transmission to Grant Thornton by July 1st b. It was agreed that all matters had been cleared by internal Audit and therefore the return could be minuted and sent. Action clerk to send off. Sent 28th June.</p>	<p>A</p>
<p>Closure - The meeting concluded at 9.30 PM.</p> <p>Chairman</p> <p>Date</p>	