

**MINUTES OF NETHER STOWEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 20 APRIL 2009 AT 7.00pm**  
**IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Parish Councillors Tony Rich (Chairman)  
Rita Corbett  
Peter Greig  
Malcolm Hogg  
Margaret Hogg  
Pat Pardoe  
John Roberts  
Teresa Youe

**In attendance:** Parish Council Clerk Ainslie Ensor  
Chairman of CANS Mary Roberts  
1 Parishioner

**3679 Apologies**

Apologies were received from District Cllrs Dyer and Joslin and District/County Cllr Edney.

**3680 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes for the meeting held on 9 March 2009 were **approved** and signed by the Chairman.

**3681 Licensing**

The Parish Council **supported** the application for a Premises License by the Nether Stowey Recreation Ground Committee.

**3682 Nether Stowey Recreation Ground**

The Parish Council received a report from the Clerk on the current position of the Recreation Committee including draft accounts for the last three years. It was noted that efforts had been made to form a larger more active management committee and that it was planned to recommence fund raising car boot sales in May.

It was **agreed** that the Parish Council:

- (a) Make an immediate grant payment to the Playing Field of £500
- (b) Purchase two chain saws and donate them to the playing field – the net cost to be deducted from the maintenance budget
- (c) Make a further grant payment of £500 upon receipt of evidence that there is an active Playing Field Committee which has raised £1500 from other sources (fund raising, grants and donations etc)
- (d) Limit the maintenance work undertaken by the Council's maintenance contractor in 2009/10 to £1000.
- (e) Appoint the Clerk to the Parish Council to act as a trustee of the Charity for a period of one year to oversee the regularisation of the Charity's administrative affairs and the production of a business plan.
- (f) In the event that the Playing Field Committee is unable to raise sufficient funds to balance its budget to reconsider the matter at an appropriate time.

**3683 Finance**

Expenditure incurred since the Parish Council meeting of 9 March 2009

**2008-2009 Expenditure**

Payee	Amount	Details
G Bickers	728.00	Cemetery Mtce £12 Village Mtce £240 Playing Field Mtce £144 Toilets Cleaning £332
<b>Total</b>	<b>£728.00</b>	

**2009 -2010 Expenditure**

Payee	Amount	Details
R Shepherd	120.00	Cemetery Mtce
Nether Stowey Village Hall	21.00	CANS Meeting 6 March
EDF Energy 1 Limited	6.20	Clock Tower Electricity
Npower Ltd	133.15	Toilets Electricity – replaces chq No 102449 issued 13.10.2008
Npower Ltd	46.11	Toilets Electricity
Viking Direct	132.87	Stationery
Grandfield & Son	57.68	Playing Field Mtce
The Community Council for Somerset	30.00	Annual Subscription 2009/10
Nether Stowey Twinning Association	10.00	Annual Subscription 2009/10
A Ensor	99.03	Postage£69.04 Internet £29.99
Mail Boxes Etc. (Taunton)	351.00	May Fair 2009 Printing
G Bickers	1294.00	Village Mtce £693 Playing Field Mtce £204 Cemetery Mtce £231 Toilets Cleaning £166
Sedgemoor District Council	£300.00	May Fair (stall hire)
Npower Ltd	133.92	Toilets Electricity
Chanin & Thomas	166.66	Office Rent April
Mail Boxes Etc (Taunton)	90.00	May Fair 2009 Printing
Clarity Copiers (Avon) Ltd	99.00	Copy charges
Allianz Insurance plc	564.96	2009 Insurance renewal
Opal	36.28	Office Telephone
A Ensor	308.88	May Fair £265.24 Village Mtce £43.64
J Falla	530.26	Salary April
A Ensor	753.12	Salary April
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,284.12</b>	

The above expenditure was **approved**.

**3684 Highways**

The following items were noted:

- A39 – Potholes west of Cottage Inn
- Limes Street – potholes
- The Cross – Mike Henry has volunteered to water new trees

- Wall adjacent to St Mary Street – outside Church Centre in poor (dangerous?) condition – Clerk to contact PCC and Building Control

### **3685 Reports**

Hinkley Point – Cllr Hogg reported that Hinkley Point was on the government list for consideration for two new nuclear reactors

Western Somerset LARC – Cllr Greig reported that the LAG meeting for 22 April had been postponed until 9 June – venue Crowcombe – this would be an opportunity for parish councils to learn more about the project.

### **3686 Liaison**

Nothing to report – no District /County Cllrs present.

### **3687 Correspondence**

Correspondence received included:

- Equality & Human Rights Commission – re public sector duties re age, disability, gender, gender identity, race, religion or belief & sexual orientation
- Somerset County Council – Cultural Strategy for Somerset
- SDC – EDF conducting road side traffic interviews in Nether Stowey
- Somerset Market Towns Forum
- National Trust – invite re Coleridge 100 event on 20 June
- Planning Application 36/09/0001 re works to tree had been withdrawn

### **3688 Forthcoming Meetings and Events**

- 22 April – Playing Field Committee – 7.00pm
- 22 April – Proposed Children’s Centre – NS School – 3pm to 6pm
- 27 April – Annual Parish Meeting – Village Hall 7.00pm
- 2 May – Nether Stowey May Fair
- 19 May Quantock Cluster Meeting Enmore 6.45pm
- 21 May – LARC meeting with local businesses Cannington 7.00pm
- 4 June – County & European Elections
- 9 June – LARC Local Action Group – Crowcombe 7.00pm
- 20 June – Coleridge 100 Event Church Centre – 11.00am (+ Women’s Walk in pm)

### **3689 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be in the Village Hall on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm