

# Norton Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting Held on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 2017 at 7:30pm in Norton Village Hall

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**Present:** Cllr Eirwyn Jenkins - in the Chair  
Cllr Graham Garbutt  
Cllr Steve Norgate  
Cllr David Rolls

**In Attendance:**  
9 Parishioner

**1. Apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Cllr Colin Edwards

**2. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda**

There were none.

**3. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016.**

The Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2016 and they were duly signed as a true record.

**To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016.**

The Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November 2016 and they were duly signed as a true record.

**4. Matters Arising not on this agenda.**

None

**5. To receive reports:**

- a. County Councillor Report.  
No County Councillor present
- b. Borough Councillor.  
No Borough Councillor present
- c. Members.

Cllr Steve Norgate reported that New Dawn Homes had identified a potential landlord to take on the lease of the old Kings Head. As the property is listed as an asset of community value, they are obliged to notify Tewkesbury Borough Council of this change to allow any community interest group to express an interest acquiring the pub within 6 weeks of the notification.

## 6. Planning Matters:

- a. To receive an update on the Public Inquiry on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December into the Red Lion Caravan Park.  
The enforcement order was declared a nullity by the Inspector.
- b. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan.  
Councillor Garbutt reported that the plan had been submitted to Paul Hardiman of Tewkesbury Borough Council for comments. Detailed comments were received in early January and these are being taken into account. It is hoped that the plan will go to consultation in March at the latest.
- c. To receive an update on the Joint Core Strategy.  
Councillor Garbutt reported that Tewkesbury Borough Council are to vote on reinstating the Twigworth and Innsworth site back into the JCS at the council meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January. This would allow for around 1,300 homes to be built. The site is in the green belt.
- d. 16/00651/FUL. Erection of garages and stable, Barnfield Cottage, Wainlode Lane - refused. One of the reasons used was that the building would be harmful to the rural character and appearance of the area.
- e. To note that the proposed development 16/01296/AGR – allowed by non-intervention.
- f. To receive an update on planning application 16/01172/FUL - Erection of 22 new dwellings at part parcel 3100, Wainlode Lane, Norton and the related S106/CIL application.  
The Parish Council have submitted an objection to the development and have met with the case officer to reinforce their objection. Noted that the S106 officer from Gloucester County Council (GCC) that the school is oversubscribed and that further growth at Norton would be resisted by GCC on infrastructure grounds.
- g. To receive an update on the affordable housing sites in the village.  
The Parish Council recognises the need for affordable homes in the area but has issues with the housing needs survey as discussed in an earlier meeting. In choosing the site, as detailed in point f above, the applicants claim that this was the only site in the village. Councillor Garbutt reported that two other sites have been identified that would better meet the needs and have less impact on the village.

## 7. Finance

- a. To receive the finance report.  
The finance report was presented by the chair and accepted by the Council.  
After discussion Councillor Norgate proposed that the report be accepted by the Council and the motion was seconded by Councillor Rolls.
- b. To approve payments in accordance with the finance report.  
Payment - £360 (includes £60 VAT) to Grant Thornton, Auditors.  
£9.75 for the hire of the village hall.  
Both payments were approved – proposer Councillor Rolls, Seconder Councillor Norgate.

c. To set the precept for 2017/18.

The draft budget for 2017/18 was presented to the Council. After discussion Councillor Rolls proposed that we keep the precept as last year, this was seconded by Councillor Norgate and agreed by the council. The clerk was asked to submit a precept of £7,220 to TBC. It was noted that the deadline was the 31<sup>st</sup> of January.

**8. Clerk.**

Review at the next meeting.

**9. AOB.**

Councillor Norgate agreed to sort out the dates for future meetings.

**10. Parishioners questions.**

Meeting closed at 20:20pm

Date of the Next Meeting: 29<sup>th</sup> of March 2017.

Signed:

Date: