



Clerk Report September 2022 (updated for Oct meeting)

Hybrid Meetings

Nash Mills Village Hall Assoc are investigating WIFI availability in the hall. Under legislation we are permitted to offer 'hybrid meetings' to enable the public to attend remotely. Council could perhaps investigate this option and whether it improves accessibility/increased public participation should the Wi-Fi be installed.

Please note Cllrs are only deemed 'present' if they are there in person and can only vote or comment if they attend in person.

Verges Phase 2

Email sent. Aug 2022 B/C Cllr has chased. Awaiting update. Verge hardening by DBC currently on hold.

Lease

Report from solicitor circulated and waiting for AH response to queries.

Noticeboard

Noticeboard delivered 23/8 and HCC notified. Waiting for HCC to confirm installation dates (and cycle racks installation)

CCTV Visit

Still outstanding. Head of dept has agreed to visits for remaining Cllrs and Clerk-waiting for them to confirm available dates.

Green Grant

Site meeting with Open Spaces lead booked Sept 2022. W/G lead asked to coordinate planting team for playpark bulb planting Nov 2022

The Denes Works

Waiting for DBC Officer to respond as he has been on leave. (Updated 5/9 meeting on site conducted and all in hand to progress once planter decision made.

Jubilee Tree

Plaque now in place

Christmas lights

Stage 2 of licensing and infrastructure checks now submitted to HCC.

Quality Council Award

Application now submitted, awaiting assessment.

Towpath Funding request-HCC

Advised HCC our agreed contribution (£5000). HCC now awaiting updated figures, so project temporarily delayed. Will wait for update.

Councillor Safety

Clerk attended meeting with 2 DBC Officers to discuss recent events. Safeguarding measures now in place.

Passing of HM The Queen

All matters dealt with (website changes/Facebook changes/meeting cancellations)

Vigil/ Proclamation attended by Cllrs Bayley/Cobb/Roberts and 32 public attendees.

Insurance Invoice Error

Clerk has refused payment of an additional sum requested by insurer. This sum is not outstanding but an error in their accounting.

Action List Updates

- Debit card applied for Aug 22
- Signatory on NWB account submitted Aug 2022. Resubmitted Sept 2022.

Warden Updates

- Defib batteries changed
- The Denes bins content and litter after Wardens leave!



Training Attended/Attending

Aug 2022

- Clerk attended VAT training
- Clerk attended GDPR training

Sept 2022

- SLCC quarterly meeting attended.
- virtual **Finance Summit**, sponsored by *Rialtas Business Solutions* on **Wednesday 7 September** from **9:45am - 4:15pm**

Oct 2022

- Dacorum Climate Action Network Event

Attending

- Election training (HAPTC)

Correspondence received (please note that this may not include all items)

- Complaint received regarding proposed parking restrictions at the Denes. Concerns re parking for residents in the flats at The Denes and the flats on the corner of The Denes/Fairacre.

- Complaint received re parking on corner and double yellow lines in Mill Close. Signposted to police 101 and DBC parking enforcement.
- NMPC approached by the Hertfordshire Climate Change & Sustainability Partnership to see if we would like to register for volunteers. Will consider one we know scope of works involved in our rewilding project.
- Complaint received regarding an 'offensive' banner on the canal near to the pathway through to Calzone-police informed and banner removed.
- Complaint received re fire hazard and potential dog fouling of long grass at Georgewood Road/Barnacres. DBC informed
- Complaint re social services and elderly resident. Signposted to C/Cllr and also to Age UK/ Social care complaint services at HCC.
- Complaint re traffic lights issue at Red Lion Lane/Bunkers roadworks. C/Cllr & HCC informed.
- Complaint re HCC TRO diversion route. C/Cllr and HCC informed.
- Query re land to rent in parish for children's football lessons. Directed to Abbots Hill school.
- Email received re gate at Lower Bunkers Park/damage to fence and map lectern. Forwarded.
- Suggestion received re 'reflection pool' at the Memorial Garden. Not NMPC land, resident advised that it will be forwarded to DBC Cllr.

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