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**NURSLING &
ROWNHAMS
PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 7th February 2023 at 7:30pm**

Council Members Present:

Cllr P Bundy, Chairman (PB) Cllr S Williams Vice Chairman (SW)	Cllr A Bulpit (AB) Cllr H Painting (HP) Cllr J Lines (JL)	Cllr G Orriss (GO) Cllr T Swain (TS) Cllr M Maltby (MM)
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In Attendance: Cllr N Adams-King (NAK) and Parish Clerk R Hamilton

No	No.	ITEM	Action by
1.		Apologies. The Clerk advised that Cllr M Harding (MH), Cllr G Barker (GB), and Cllr D Spooner (DS) had sent their apologies.	
2.		Declarations of Interests. None.	
3.		To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Council held on 3rd January 2023.	
	3.1	The minutes were proposed by HP and TS seconded, all agreed that the minutes of the Full Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd January 2023 were accurate and correct.	
4.		Adjournment for 10 Minute Public Question Time.	
	4.1	No members of the public attended	
5.		To Dispose of Business Remaining from The Previous Meeting/ Chairman's Report.	

5.1	Home Covert Path – The Clerk advised that work on trees in January 2023 was limited to trees that may cause a safety risk. Communication received indicated that the larger scale tree work would commence in the summer. PB thought it likely that any change in route would require a new planning application and no progress could be made until the final route of the path was decided.	Continues
5.2	Resilience Forum/Emergency Planning – HP confirmed that a meeting was scheduled for 23 March 2023 and if other Councillors could attend it would be useful.	Continues
5.3	SANG alongside Broadleaf Development – PB had now made a third request for an up-to-date report but had not received a response. HP and SW confirmed that the litter bins had been emptied and appear to have been emptied more than once since the last meeting.	Continues
5.4	<p>Re-levelling Nursling Recreation Ground – The Clerk had spoken to the Grounds Contractor in respect outstanding works and the repair work required on pitch 1. The treatments are due to take place in March and the Contractor will look at repair work required. The Clerk expressed his view that some expenditure will be necessary and that he would like the work finished by May to allow any grass to establish over the summer months.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that some maintenance work would be required to the pitches after the season end.</p> <p>The contractor responsible for the new security arrangements at the Recreation Ground gate had taken measurements and it was a planned to have a trial run of the new design to ensure it was practicable before making any permanent changes.</p>	Clerk
5.5	Village Hall extension – JL had distributed the new design to the Village Hall committee and a meeting to discuss the design would follow.	Continues
5.6	HGV Lorries Nursling Street – NAK confirmed the sign would show Nursling Estate and would try to confirm the date of installation.	Continues
5.7	Sculpture on the SANG – HP advised that one further volunteer had come forward. HP would contact TVBC to ask for a progress report.	Continues
5.8	<p>Fencing Nursling Recreation Ground – The Clerk confirmed the Contractor had advised a start date of 17th April 2023 for the path. The quote did not include the cost of the new entrance by Home Covert, but it is believed the additional costs would be quite low.</p> <p>PB suggested that the Contractor be used to repair the earth on the Skate Park banking and move the topsoil from the car park. The Clerk confirmed he would investigate this with the contractor.</p>	Continues

5.9	St Boniface Installation of adult fitness equipment. – TS will supply contact details at TVBC to JL to seek further advice on the equipment.	Continues
5.10	Garden Machinery – The Clerk advised he had now received the Parish bank account debit card and would purchase safety equipment with this card. The training could then be arranged.	Continues
5.11	Internal Audit Matters – The Clerk advised that the VAT registration was still ongoing. The Clerk had contacted two VAT consultants in respect of the best method to fund the Village Hall project. It was intended to arrange an initial consultation meeting with the consultants to outline the scheme. The Clerk would be arranging some suitable dates with PB for a Zoom meeting.	Continues
5.12	Balmoral Play Area - The Clerk asked that items 5.13,5.14 and 5.15 be combined into one item, as they were being actioned as one project. This was agreed. The Clerk confirmed that the Contractor who had visited in November 2022 had come back with 3 quotes. However, the specifications were incorrect, and the Clerk was waiting to hear back from the Contractor. On 25 January 2023 another Contractor had visited the sites but had not yet supplied any quotes.	Continues
5.13	Investment of Council Funds. - The Clerk advised that a second account had been opened with CCLA, which had been named the Reserve account and a decision was required as to how much should be invested. This would be discussed later in the meeting. See 6.2	Complete
5.14	Works Jubilee Park and Barker Mill Close. - PB believed that the work had been completed at the entrance to Jubilee Park and that the Barker Mill Close work would be completed when the mesh fencing had been received. AB did not believe the work at Jubilee Park had been carried out. PB would check with TVBC.	Continues
5.15	Review of use of Nursling Recreation Ground by dog walkers and conditions for use. - The Clerk confirmed that the existing Bye Laws did not have any sections specifically relating to dogs. The Clerk advised that if new bye laws were deemed necessary then there was a legal process. AB said that some measures should be taken now to ensure the safety of residents using the Recreation Grounds and dogs should be kept on a lead. After further discussion PB said that he would contact Rod Mason at TVBC to seek further advice.	Continues

	5.16	<p>Review of Village News Costs and approval of the increased print costs by Ordnance Survey. - The Clerk confirmed that he had obtained a quote from Hobbs printers based in Calmore. It was for £1,1184 (exc VAT) compared to the current cost of £826 (exc VAT). It was decided to seek further quotes and MM will supply a contact he had in the print industry.</p> <p>The Clerk had not yet received the views of the editors about increasing the advertising costs but advised the last increase took place in September 2021.</p> <p>There was some discussion about making better use of the Parish Website, but it was agreed the Village News should be retained, as the main source of communication.</p>	Continues
	5.17	<p>Consultation on Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan Partial Update. - The Clerk confirmed he had sent feedback to HCC.</p>	Complete
	5.18	<p>Management of Horns Drove Woodland. - The Clerk had received a response from the Woodland Trust and forwarded to HP. HP advised that it was mainly links to advice on websites. PB said that he would investigate if any assistance could be provided by TVBC.</p>	Continues
6.0		Approval of Payments for Period Ending 31/1/23 and Finance.	
	6.1	<p>A schedule of payments and financial reports for the month ending 31st January 2023 were presented to the Council. TS proposed the reports be accepted, SW seconded, and all agreed.</p>	
	6.2	<p>The Clerk advised that the CCLA income received in January was £210.18 The figure was not available when the meeting reports were compiled. PB suggested that £100,000 be transferred to the new CCLA account. This would leave nearly £50,000 as a reserve for any unexpected expenditure. TS proposed £100,000 be deposited in the CCLA account, SW seconded, and all agreed.</p>	Complete
7.0		Police Report and Community Safety	
	7.1	None.	
8.0		TVBC and County Councilor's Reports.	
	8.1	<p>NAK advised that a planning application had been received for an area of land adjacent to Chilworth Golf Club. The application was generating a lot of interest. It provided for units to store solar generated electricity. Each unit was the size of a shipping container and there was thought to be 18 such units.</p>	
	8.2	<p>NAK advised that the combination of very wet weather then freezing conditions had created many problems on the roads with potholes. HCC would be carrying out a schedule of</p>	

		temporary fixes, with a longer-term fix at a later date.	
	8.3	NAK advised that Frogmore Lane is to be resurfaced but the date was not yet known.	
	8.4	NAK advised that the residents of Station Road had obtained press attention in respect of the traffic issues in Station Road. NAK would be seeking more funding for speed reduction measures and speed indicators.	
	8.5	NAK said that disruption would continue on Redbridge Flyover until Easter. The main problem was that the work restricted the weight of vehicles on the bridge and the work was very noisy meaning it could not be carried out at night.	
	8.6	NAK advised that HCC had come to an agreement for the purchase of speed indicator signs from a company called West Tech. at a reduced cost. Applications could be made now but the signs were unlikely to be available until June 2023.	
	8.7	NAK said that an HCC taskforce had been looking at the implementation of a 20mph speed limit. The taskforce would be looking at the policy and how it could be implemented. New housing developments would have 20mph limits and there would be advisory 20 mph limits outside of schools. A problem with the policy was that the Police had limited resources to enforce 20 mph restrictions.	
	8.8	NAK advised that the Bakers Drove/Romsey Road junction review had overwhelmingly supported traffic lights and that solution will be recommended. After some discussion PB asked that details of the consultation be provided.	
	8.9	NAK said that the speed limit in Redbridge Lane would be dropped to 30 mph and a new crossing point would be constructed.	
	8.10	NAK reported on the discussions he and Caroline Noakes had with Aster Homes in respect of the increasing costs for waste drainage. Aster had agreed to tender for local firms to reduce costs and it was intended to connect Lymer Villas to the mains drainage network.	
	8.11	TS reminded the Council of the elections on the 4 th May 2023 and the need for ID when voting.	
	8.12	TS advise that TVBC operated a hardship fund to assist over 65s with the purchase of fuel.	

9.		Test Valley Grounds Maintenance Quote £13,036.06 (exc. VAT).	
	9.1	The Clerk advised that TVBC had increased the costs by 5% but due to the removal of one item relating to football pitches the overall quote was less than last year.	
	9.2	SW proposed the quote be accepted, TS seconded, and all agreed.	Complete
10.		Test Valley Dog Bin Emptying Quote £1,116.25 (exc. VAT).	
	10.1	The Clerk advised that the quote was slightly less than the previous year due to identifying the correct number of bins.	Complete
	10.2	HP queried if the bin usage should be reviewed, and other bins considered. The Clerk advised that from his inspections of the Recreation Ground the problem was not the number of bins but the dog owners not tidying up their dog's mess	
	10.3	TS proposed the quote be accepted, MM seconded, and all agreed.	Complete
11.		Report on Planning Meeting in respect of Nursling Recycling Centre Lee Lane.	
	11.1	The Clerk advised that he and PB attended a Planning meeting at HCC in Winchester on 11 January 2023. The Planning department at HCC had recommended approval of the application. A number of residents from the Station Road/ Lee Lane area attended the meeting and four spoke in opposition. PB was last to speak in opposition to the application and drew comparisons with a very similar scheme in Kingsworthy, that had been recommended for refusal. PB asked that the application either be rejected, or the decision deferred. The HCC Councillors comments indicated that they recognised the apparent inconsistency in the Planning Departments recommendations. PB said that HCC rejected the Kingsworthy scheme that showed 3.3 HGV movements per hour but recommended the Nursling scheme that showed 7 HGV movements per hour. The Planning Committee voted for deferral and asked that a noise assessment be carried out to gauge the impact on the amenity of local residents.	
	11.2	The Clerk advised that the date of the next meeting was not known.	Complete
12		Grant request from Rownhams St John's School Parents Teacher Association.	
	12.1	The Clerk outlined that the purpose of the grant was to renovate the garden beds in Rownhams St John's School, although no specific amount had been requested. There was some discussion about whether any grant would be allowable under current legislation. PB asked that the Clerk approach HALC for a definitive answer before deciding.	Continues /Clerk

13		Developments and Applications. Appendix 1 attached	
	13.1	22/03110/FULLS. 41 Upton Crescent, Nursling. Demolition of conservatory, extension to form day room, shower room and extended lounge. No objection.	
	13.2	23/00074/FULLS. 14 Broadmead Road, Nursling. Ground Floor front extension, demolition of bay window and front facing roof lights. No comment. TS checked the website and advised TVBC had allowed the application.	
	13.3	23/00078/TPOS. Meadowmist Horns Drove, Rownhams. T1-T3 Beech Trees top by 6m, T4-T9 Ash trees top by 6m. Objection, as amount requested excessive.	
	13.4	22/03299/TPOS. St Johns Church, Rownhams. Various tree works. Objection. It was accepted that some work was required but asked TVBC to check if TPO trees are diseased.	
	13.5	22/03315/FULLS. Willbox, Crescent Estate, Nursling. Mixed use of land for fabrication and conversion of containers. Objection. The application proposed the erection of an additional canopy and paint workshop. The canopies are very visible from the M27 and there is little information about the impact on traffic on station road.	
	13.6	23/00108/REJS. Specialist Sports Ltd, 140 Mauretania Road, Nursling. Prior approval for the installation/alteration of solar panels. No objection.	

14		Correspondence for Discussion and Action 7/2/2023	
	14.1	Resident complaint about flooding in St John's Glebe entrance. The Clerk advised that the resident had already reported the issue with blocked drains but was concerned about the water turning to ice. PB confirmed that it did turn to ice in the freezing weather and could be potentially dangerous to traffic. It was agreed for the Clerk to monitor the situation to ensure it is resolved and refer to NAK if required.	Complete
	14.2	Grove Place resident complaint in respect of various issues in connection with Upton Lane. The Clerk outlined the response sent to the resident explaining how the Parish Council had made representations on all these issues. PB advised that HCC was responsible for these issues and there	Complete.

		was little more the Parish Council could do.	
	14.3	BDO LLP Southampton have been awarded the External Auditor Contract for 22/23 to 27/28. Noted.	Complete
	14.4	Email from James Guthrie seeking land to purchase from Parish Council. The Environment Act 2021 sets out that from November 2023 all planning applications will have to deliver at least 10% biodiversity net gain (BNG) either on, or off site. They are seeking land close to development in Nursling Estate to use for this purpose. PB indicated that he believed these were speculative emails and was aware one had been received by Chilworth Parish Council. The Clerk said that he had spoken to Mr Guthrie earlier in the day and they were looking at an area of 1.8 to 2.5 Hectares. It was agreed that the Parish Council had no land to sell.	Complete

15.		Members Questions	
	15.1	JL asked why the planters at the top of Nursling Street had not been removed. The Clerk advised that it was his fault and would contact the supplier to remove the planters.	Continues/Clerk
	15.2	JL asked about the Parish Millennial publication and asked if they could be sold to raise some money. PB thought that a plan should be considered when all the properties on the new housing developments were completed and occupied.	Complete
	15.3	HP asked about the hearing in respect of Bracken Road. PB advised that it was postponed until 23 March 2023 and would be held in Crossfield Hall.	Complete
	15.4	HP noted that cars were parking on grass verges on Balmoral Way and asked if flowers or trees could be planted to stop this practice. PB thought that planting flowers would have no effect and trees may require a service survey before planting could be allowed.	Complete.

The meeting closed at 9:20pm.

The next Full Meeting of the Council will be held on 7.30pm 7th March 2023.

Rownhams Parish Council

Payments and Receipts for month ending 31 December 2022

Date	Payment Type	Payee	Expense	CR	DR	Balance
02/01/2023	Bacs	HMRC	Quarterly Paye		£ 745.97	£ 75,406.42
02/01/2023	Bacs	R Hamilton	December Salary		£ 833.46	£ 74,572.96
03/01/2023	Standing Order	DWG Plans Ltd	Village News Advert	£ 240.00		£ 74,812.96
03/01/2023	Credit	T Y Bowie- Matthews	Village News Advert	£ 40.00		£ 74,852.96
03/01/2023	Credit	Scottish and Southern Electricity	Wayleave Nursling Street	£ 2.50		£ 74,855.46
03/01/2023	Standing Order	Wyatts Tracks	Village News Advert	£ 80.00		£ 74,935.46
03/01/2023	Standing Order	The Four Horseshoes	Village News Advert	£ 80.00		£ 75,015.46
03/01/2023	Standing Order	Double Glazing Rep	Village News Advert	£ 80.00		£ 75,095.46
03/01/2023	Standing Order	Colva Tech Ltd	Village News Advert	£ 80.00		£ 75,175.46
03/01/2023	Standing Order	My New Bathroom	Village News Advert	£ 40.00		£ 75,215.46
03/01/2023	Standing Order	Lee Fisher	Village News Advert	£ 40.00		£ 75,255.46
06/01/2023	Credit	A Hobbs	Village News Advert	£ 20.00		£ 75,275.46
06/01/2023	Credit	J Bugg	Reimbursement for memorial tree	£ 134.94		£ 75,410.40
09/01/2023	Bacs	JP Carpentry	Bus shelter Clean and Repair		£ 200.00	£ 75,210.40
09/01/2023	Bacs	JP Carpentry	Horns Wood fence repair		£ 125.00	£ 75,085.40
09/01/2023	Bacs	Royal Mail	PO Box Rental		£ 378.00	£ 74,707.40
16/01/2023	Direct Debit	Test Valley BC	Grounds Maintenance		£ 1,335.30	£ 73,372.10
19/01/2023	Direct Debit	Best for Business	Telephone Rental		£ 21.59	£ 73,350.51
23/01/2023	Standing Order	Stone Electric	Village News Advert	£ 60.00		£ 73,410.51
27/01/2023	Standing Order	AWW Painting and Decorating	Village News Advert	£ 120.00		£ 73,530.51
31/01/2023	Standing Order	C Barlett	Village News Advert	£ 240.00		£ 73,770.51
Total				£ 1,257.44	£ 3,639.32	

Appendix 2

NURSLING AND ROWNHAMS PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCIAL YEAR 2022 / 2023

Position as at 31/01/2023

MONEY ON DEPOSIT WITH CCLA PUBLIC SECTOR DEPOSIT FUND

<u>Date</u>	<u>Interest Paid</u>	<u>Paid In</u>		<u>Paid Out</u>	<u>Balance</u>
01/04/2022				£ -	£ 80,574.35
01/04/2022	£ 32.37	£ -		£ -	£ 80,606.72
01/05/2022	£ 41.00	£ -		£ -	£ 80,647.72
01/06/2022	£ 58.38	£ -		£ -	£ 80,706.10
01/07/2022	£ 63.47	£ -		£ -	£ 80,769.57
01/08/2022	£ 73.65	£ -		£ -	£ 80,843.22
01/09/2022	£ 110.96	£ -		£ -	£ 80,954.18
01/10/2022	£ 116.35	£ -		£ -	£ 81,070.53
01/11/2022	£ 139.61	£ -		£ -	£ 81,210.14
01/12/2022	£ 179.16	£ -		£ -	£ 81,389.30
01/01/2023					
01/02/2023					
01/03/2023					
Total	£ 814.95			£ -	
				Deposit Balance	£ 81,389.30

MONEY ON DEPOSIT WITH BARCLAYS BANK
BASE RATE REWARD

<u>Date</u>	<u>Interest paid</u>	<u>Paid In</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Paid Out</u>	<u>Balance</u>
01/04/2022					£ 149,499.48
01/04/2022	£ 1.27			£ -	£ 149,500.75
01/05/2022	£ 1.31			£ -	£ 149,502.06
01/06/2022	£ 1.19			£ -	£ 149,503.25
01/07/2022	£ 1.23			£ -	£ 149,504.48
01/08/2022	£ 1.27			£ -	£ 149,505.75
01/09/2022	£ 1.27			£ -	£ 149,507.02
01/10/2022	£ 1.31			£ -	£ 149,508.33
01/11/2022	£ 1.48			£ -	£ 149,509.81
01/12/2022	£ 27.65			£ -	£ 149,537.46
01/01/2023	£ -			£ -	£ 149,537.46
01/02/2023					
01/03/2023					
Total	£ 37.98			£ -	
				Deposit Balance	£ 149,537.46

Available funds on deposit

£ 230,926.76

Appendix 3**NURSLING AND ROWNHAMS PARISH COUNCIL**

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2023
Position at 31 January 2023

	<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2021/22</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Precept	67,500	63,000
Interest received	853	71
Village news adverts	7,311	7,743
Grants received	23,220	118,092
May Fair		0
Other income	2,650	2,854
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>101,534</u>	<u>191,760</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Community Support		
Community services & facilities (Allotments, PCSO, VN	32,202	35,593
S137 Payments (Note 9)	<u>50</u>	<u>250</u>
	32,252	35,843
Administration		
Staff costs incl NI/pension contributions	9,752	13,039
Administration (gates, play equip, lights, bus shelters)	35,127	117,175
Legal, professional and audit fees	5,400	10,924
Subscriptions	<u>1,266</u>	<u>1,175</u>
	51,545	142,313
<u>Total Expenditure</u>	<u>83,797</u>	<u>178,156</u>
Surplus/Deficit for the year	<u>£17,737</u>	<u>£13,604</u>
<u>General Fund</u>	£	£
Opening Balance	275,422	275,422
Add - Income	101,534	191,760
Less - Expenditure	-83,797	-178,156
Closing Balance (Note 8)	<u>£293,160</u>	<u>£289,026</u>