

Naunton Parish Council

Clerk's Report for Monday 23 September 2019 to Friday 14 November 2019 (Points numbered according to the minutes of the last meeting.)

Minutes and Clerk's report have been posted to the Naunton PC website.

5. Clerk ordered salt/grit bin, which has been delivered to Cllr Chance for installation and notified GCC of requirement for 1 pallet of salt this year.
7. Planning. Response has been received from new Senior Enforcement Officer Kevan Hooper, re:18/00035/OTHER objections to small paddocks at Lavender Hill. Copy attached.
Clerk ordered a copy of the Land Registry Register of Title for The Old Band Room. The property has been sold to Mr Anthony Finn. Revised letter sent to new owner. CDC planning training (Cllrs Chance and Bell) is now expected in the new year.
8. Highways.
 - (a) Clerk has bought and delivered the 'No Parking' sign to the Chairman.
 - (b) Clerk arranged site visit by Jimmy Arkell to quote for hedge trimming on the bank opposite the Baptist Chapel, in preparation for wildflower planting.
 - (c) Clerk has asked Highways who is responsible for maintaining handrails on the bridge near the Old Band Room. No response yet.
9. Assets.

Recreation field – original lease not found in Clerk's files.
Phone box – TGPC has no gold paint left but it was a small pot and only cost £2.50.

Also:

- * Clerk has written to the Chairman of NCC regarding the concrete base for the commemorative bench.
- * Clerk has reported dangerous sign on the Wardens way in Naunton to Glos Highways 'Report it' system.
- * Clerk has reported defective handrails on bridge near The Old Band Room to find out who is responsible for the track and handrails.

Attachment:

Email received from CDC Senior Enforcement Officer, Kevan Hooper, on w24 October 2019:

Dear Cllr Keeling,

I have been reallocated the case from Lisa and have now had time to assess the development and the planning history.

I assume that we are talking about the many fields around Lavender Hill Stud/Farm now owned by the Cotswolds Equestrian Club and a couple of the fields owned by the original owner who sold the majority of the land to Cotswold Equestrian Club. The planning history contains many successful application for an equestrian use so there is no debate that the land as an equestrian use either from relevant planning permissions or from the passage of time (In planning terms a use becomes immune after 10 years unless formal enforcement has been taken).

Regarding the erection of walls, fences and enclosures providing these are not over 2 metres in height (which they are not judging by our site visit) they do not require formal planning permission. The Town & Country Planning Act General Permitted Development Order (GPDO) Part 2 Minor Operations order allows for the erection of fences, enclosures and walls etc. without the need to apply for formal planning permission. It does not have any limiting conditions with regard to AONB, Open Countryside etc. or the effect it may have on the countryside.

I fully understand why the complaint has been made but in summary we have no control over the erection of fences, enclosures and walls in these fields providing they are not over 2 metres in height.

Regards

Kevan

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My working days are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday.