

GEORGE NYMPTON & QUEEN'S NYMPTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

17TH MAY 2018

Minutes of the meeting.

The meeting was opened at 7.30pm and was chaired by Roger Gay, Chairman of George Nympton & Queen's Nympton Parish Council.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on April 27th 2017 were unanimously approved.

Roger Gay welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming along to the meeting. He thanked Trudy Herniman for chairing last year's meeting and for all she had done as Chair of George Nympton & Queen's Nympton Parish Council. He was pleased to report that Trudy will continue as a Parish Councillor and that all members of the Parish Council remain the same as last year. He thanked Mary Burbidge for all her work as RFO to the council. He also thanked the Parish Clerk.

Roger said that while the Parish Council is mainly concerned with planning matters, the council does get involved with other issues. The recent Local Government Boundary Commission Review has accepted the view of the council and of parishioners that George Nympton & Queen's Nympton Parish should remain part of Bishops Nympton Ward. Final approval is awaited from the government.

Roger then welcomed representatives from local groups and societies as follows:

Village Hall-Adele Poole gave an update on village hall activities and fundraising. The current phase of refurbishment is well underway and will cost around £26,000 by the time it is completed. £20,000 has already been secured through successful grant applications and fundraising. More social events are planned throughout the year and fundraising will continue for future works to the hall.

Horticultural Society-Trish Ford told the meeting that the 51st Annual Summer Show will take place on August 4th. Everyone is welcome to participate and the schedule will be included in the July newsletter. A donation from any proceeds will be made towards.....

Nymet St. George Church-Ian Bateman thanked everyone for their support of the church. He also thanked the fete organisers and the Parish Council for their donations. He spoke about the success of last year's flower festival and crib festival. He appreciated the help of the wider community in making these events go so well.

Ian asked that we let him know if there are ways in which the church can help the local area.

He spoke about the church newsletter which also serves as a means of communication for the whole parish.

Ian also mentioned that if anyone is interested in getting a quote from the Ecclesiastical Insurance Company for their home insurance, any new policy taken out will bring a donation of £120 to the church.

Broadband-Adele Poole spoke about her ongoing work regarding improved broadband to the parish. Airband has been awarded the contract for the area. No fixed plans are known of from them.

BT has quoted £46,000 to provide superfast broadband to George Nympton & Queen's Nympton. Adele has made an application for a grant of £30,000 towards the cost. Other means of financial support may be available. Adele will continue to provide updates.

Village Fete-Mark Dean spoke to the meeting and said that plans are underway for this year's fete on July 7th. All the popular activities and stalls will take place including wacky races, children's activities, cake stall, bottle stall, hog roast & bar, raffle, dog show and he welcomed new ideas. Many people have already volunteered and more were invited. Donations of children's books, DVDs and CDs would be most welcome for the book stall.

Social Club-Muriel Price said that the social club continues to meet on the third Friday of every month at The Castle.

Close of the meeting-Roger Gay closed the meeting by thanking all the speakers. He recognised all the improvements that have been made to the village hall and thanked Adele Poole for her work as Chairperson of the Village Hall Committee.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.