PUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Puxton & Hewish

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You are summoned to a Council Meeting on Thursday 2nd November 2017 at 7.30pm in The Village Hall

All are welcome to attend, unless precluded by a procedural resolution. You will not be entitled to speak, except within the Public Session.

Don Hill - Clerk

A G E N D A & AGENDA NOTES

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS
- 3. **PUBLIC SESSION 15 minutes:** Residents may raise matters affecting the parish.
- 4. **REPORTS Ward Clirs Report** Clir Leimdorfer
- 5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING 5th October 2017 to be agreed, and signed by the Chair.

6. MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE

POLICING AND TRAFFIC
Wick Lane Traffic Incident: This

8. NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL MATTERS

Stonebridge Farm: Hopefully an NSC Officer update.

A370 Footpath: Bow Cottage to Holm Lea, planned for clearance. Hedge flailing also due.

Michael Davis offered to quote for the work that is not committed to by NSC (between Bow Cottage and Holm Lea). Clerk still to liaise with Congresbury's Liz Greaves and Michael Davis to get a quote to approach NSC with.

Puxton Road: Flooding at Briarwood; probable new gully. Puxton Lane junction; grip proposed.

Wick Lane Ditch: Ditch condition to be reviewed by Nick Raymond when it is clear to view.

A370 Gullies at Spring Cottage, & Puxton Park-J21: starting on Monday 27 November, NSC are scheduled to carry out minor drainage repairs and investigation works between J21 and Puxton Lane. With traffic control in place, the crew will carry out the works over 5 nights, between 8pm and 6am, in order to try and minimise disruption.

A370 Drains (Banwell PC): Clerk has chased this problem via Banwell PC & Area Engineer.

Suggested Speed Limits on Puxton Lane/Puxton Road:

Clerk wrote:

I note that in Norton Malreward (BANES) they have speed limit signs with black circles rather than red ones. I realise that this represents an advisory, rather than a legal speed limit.

In relation to Puxton Lane and Puxton Road - both increasingly becoming rat-runs - would it be possible for us to plan and erect a sequence of black label sighs that would not fall foul of the law or your office? If so, can we call on your expertise for planning and signage (chargeable, of course)?

NSC Responded:

These roads are currently National Speed limit and therefore I would not be able to approve the erection of the signs you are referring too. We currently do not have these types of signs within North Somerset as they are not recognised Traffic Signage and therefore technically illegal to erect on the Public Highway.

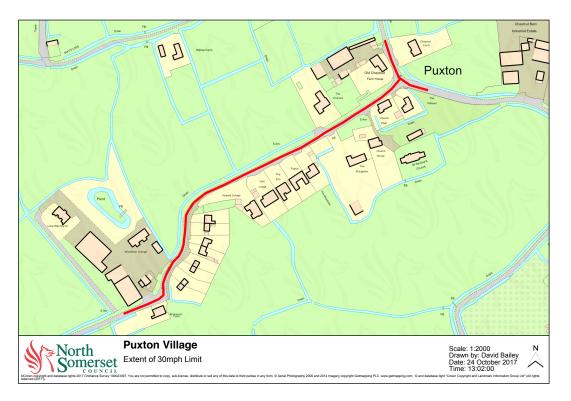
However, the settlement of Puxton on Puxton Road from Briarwood Farm through to Chestnut Court and the triangle on Puxton Lane, meet the criteria for a village according to the Speed limit guidance. Therefore the

speed limit for this development should be 30mph as standard and not National Speed limit as it is. I enclose a plan of the extent which meets the criteria indicated by the red line.

Fortunately we have not experienced any personal injury accidents along the route, however this does mean that North Somerset Council would not be in a position to fully fund such a scheme.

In the first instance in order to be sure that such a proposal could be achievable we would need to take a speed reading on the road. This would cost £160.

In conclusion I am unable to grant permission to have the signs you suggested erected on the Public Highway, however if the PC are willing to fund a speed reading I could carry out a further investigation into a proposal for a 30mph speed limit along the road at the extents on the plan.



9. OTHER MATTERS

NSC Future Planning: Update Broadband Speeds: More news from Gigaclear/CDS awaited. Village Hall: Parish E-Mail Register: Update. Councillors: 2 vacancies for co-option.

10. FINANCE

2017-18 Accounts: pre-circulated with meeting papers. **Cheques: 100207**

11. PLANNING (*Latest enforcement Case Report - August 2017*)

New: 17/P/2494/CUPA New Orchard Farm, Bristol Road. (*Change of use to Dwelling. CUPA – change of use – prior approval - No consultation required and three week target to decide*).
Decisions Due: 17/P/2163/F 2 for folly buildings. 17/P/2310/TPO Crown lift to poplars.
Appeal APP/D0121/W/ 17/3179037: re 16/P/2843/F Storage containers at Heathfield Park.

12. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: In the Village Hall on Thursday 7th December 2017 at 7.30pm.