

# The Village Pump

## Nymet Rowland

September 2024

*What's on...*

### **CUPPA & CHAT** with a Book Swap

**NYMET ROWLAND VILLAGE HALL**

Tuesday 3 September - 2.30pm to 3.30pm



Come and join us and meet friends  
and neighbours for a cup of  
tea/coffee and a catch-up

**Everyone welcome**

Profits to Nymet Rowland Village Hall

Please contact 01363 83256 with any queries

St Bartholomew's Church  
Friday 6th October

### **HARVEST**



6:00pm: Thanksgiving Service in Church  
followed by

### **BARBECUE**

7:00pm in the Village Hall  
Raffle and Musical Entertainment  
All very welcome!

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

There will be an extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 5th September at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. See page 4.

### **WALKING GROUP**

The next walk will be on the Monday 9th September at 10.30am. Meet in the village hall carpark.

Pease come along for exercise and chat.

### **W.I.**

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 11th September at 7.30 in Coldridge Village Hall. Lyn Gould, with a talk, Follow your Dream  
W.I. Programme for 2024

9 October - Blood Bikes - Rob

13 November - Crafting - TBC

11 December - Christmas Celebration

W.I. contact Liz Smith 83515

### **A REMINDER!**

The 'Pump Year' is from July to June. If you would like to continue receiving a copy, please put £3 in an envelope **with your name and address**, and post through the letterbox of 4, Pitt Court.

## HARVEST

The harvest celebration is taking place a little earlier this year and the thanksgiving service will start at 6pm on Friday, 6th September, led by Anthony Geering, who is known to many of you. We hope that you will come and sing favourite harvest hymns as well as you did last year.

Afterwards we will all go off to the village hall for an excellent barbecue prepared by Peter Heal and family, assisted by Anthony Odhams and David Gruncell. Peter not only cooks but he provides all the locally-sourced sausages and beefburgers to go with melt-in-the mouth onions.

There will be cakes to go with tea and coffee and musical entertainment provided by John Richards and his daughter Mia.

Joan Downing will as usual be running a Raffle, for which she would be pleased to have donations. If you have gifts of produce and flowers to help with decoration of the church please can you bring them to the church on Wednesday 4th or the morning of Thursday 5th. (We can collect - ring Victoria on 83534).

If 6:00pm is too early for you do please join us at the village hall for the barbecue, from 7:00pm.

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## RECYCLING AND REFUSE

### Monday 2nd September

Blue Food Caddy

Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste

### Monday 9th September

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Recycling

Black Wheelie Bin: Non-Recyclable Waste

### Monday 16th September

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### Monday 23rd September

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## **NYMET ROWLAND PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the 194th Parish Council Meeting  
Held in Village Hall on Wednesday, 14th August  
at 7:30 pm

Present: Councillors: Anthony Odhams (AO),  
David Gruncell (DG), Babs Channing (BC), Viv  
O'Dell (VO), Jan Coeshall (JC), Roger Cooper  
(RC) • Clerk, Elaine Little (EL) • Assistant Clerk  
Guest: Cllr Margaret Squires (MS), 2 MOPs

### **1. Approval of Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th May  
2024 were approved and signed.

### **2. Questions from Members of the Public**

No questions were asked.

### **3. Matters Arising**

#### **3.1. Potholes**

- AO updated on the current potholes that have been repaired.

- AO thanked Paul Stanbury assisted by DG for cutting the hedge at Allerbridge junction.

- DG asked MS to chase for a date for the agreed outstanding work as discussed at a recent meeting.

#### **3.2. Street Lighting**

- AO updated that all reported lights had been fixed.

- VO advised that a new street light is out, and one other appears to be intermittently on during the day. AO advised that both would be replaced.

#### **3.3. Nymet Barton Farm Planning**

- The planning decision has been delayed until 28th August.

- MOP commented that the new plans submitted now clearly show parking and boundaries.

### **4.0 Financial Report**

- RC reported

- Current Account balance: £765.95

- Deposit Account balance: £1,565.95

- Cemetery grant payment of £500 was made but paid to the wrong recipient. RC apologized for the error, and corrective action has been taken.

- AO asked for an update on the apparent

reduced payment of £700 by MDDC of the Precept. RC confirmed this was a £100 reduction for electoral costs.

### **5.0 Any Other Business (AOB)**

#### **5.1 Clerk Role**

- AO provided an update on the Clerk role and welcomed EL to the council as the new Parish Clerk

- RC has decided that owing to personal commitments, he is to stand down as the clerk, handing over the role to EL

- AO and the Council thanked RC for all his hard work and commitment to the role over the years.

- EL will attend the next available Clerk approved training, and a full handover of responsibilities will take place in the coming weeks.

#### **5.2. Parish Email Domain Move**

- AO provided an update on a government initiative, for all local PCs to move to a gov.uk domain, citing the benefits of recognition, security, and governance.

- EL updated on the government incentive one-off payment of £100 + VAT towards the setup and first year of the domain via approved registrars.

- Quotes have been obtained, and the lowest offer is for a domain setup, registration, maintenance, and up to 5 emails for £120 per annum + VAT (breakdown: Domain £60 + VAT / Emails £60 + VAT).

- The council discussed, and the setup of the domain was proposed by AO, agreed by all councillors, and seconded by JC.

- EL was instructed to request the government grant and start the process.

- BC asked if these costs would be added to the next Precept, which is due for submission in November. AO confirmed this would be likely.

- MOP offered his IT company services for the domain, but EL advised that only government approved registrars were allowed to benefit from the grant.

- DC asked if the VAT could be reclaimed. AO advised that the PC is not VAT registered.

### 5.3 Fibre Broadband

- AO advised that further activity from BT around the village has taken place, with cabling going up at various points. There is a substantial amount of outstanding work to be completed before connection to properties commences.

### 5.4

- MS gave a general council update.
- VO asked about the amount of mud on the lane out towards Lapford cross junction caused by the Keaner farm. AO/MS advised that enforcement is the responsibility of the police and not the council. AO advised that he has now located a local police contact.
- AO asked MS to remind the highways engineer

Following the retirement of Roger Cooper, I am very pleased to welcome Elaine Little as the new Clerk to the Parish Council.

Many readers will already know Elaine. She has many years management experience working with EMEA & APAC regions with a global on-line retail organisation. I have every confidence she will be more than capable of handling the Council's administrative and technological needs. For the time being, Elaine can be contacted at our temporary email address [nymetrowlandpc@gmail.com](mailto:nymetrowlandpc@gmail.com)

We will be introducing a new email system and official Gov.UK domain and address in the next few months.

I would like to thank Roger for his dedication as Clerk over many years. He can now fully concentrate on all his family matters.

*Anthony Odhams*

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of his commitment regarding the ploughing of the lane bank edges by specialist contractor Johnny Batt

- AO asked MOP Dave Coeshall if he and Vaughan Lovesey would be willing to repair/replace the village noticeboard outside Village Hall. DC agreed to take on the task with Vaughan. Costings to be agreed.

- The meeting ended with another 'THANK YOU' to Roger for all his hard work and commitment as clerk through the years.

### 6. Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for 13th November 2024.

The meeting closed at 8:25 pm.

**NOTICE OF AN EXTRAORDINARY  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
ON THURSDAY 5th SEPTEMBER  
AT 19:30  
TO BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE  
HALL**

To review the received planning application for the siting of 4 log cabins for use as holiday lets.  
Location: Land at NGR 271242 108982 (South of Nymet Mill Farm) Nymet Rowland, Devon

### Editor's note:

The documents for this application can be found on the Mid Devon Planning Portal under reference 24/01107/MFUL.

This new application follows a similar one made in October last year, ref. 23/01406/MFUL. This was withdrawn by the applicant on the advice of the planning officer, who was minded to refuse permission on the following grounds:

1. The principal of the development sustainability (development/tourist accommodation in the countryside location).
2. Visual/Landscape issues
3. Highways Issues
4. Climate Impact

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**ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH,  
NYMET ROWLAND**

Services for September  
Harvest Thanksgiving (see page 2)  
Friday 6th September at 6:00pm  
Reverend Anthony Geering

Sunday, 15th September at 9:00a  
Holy Communion  
Reverend David Robottom

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**ALLERBRIDGE CHAPEL**

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