

FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Town Hall, Finedon on Wednesday 15th January 2014.

Present: Councillors Mr J Bailey (Chairman), Mr M Ward (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Mr G Swann, Mr M Bentley, Mrs B Bailey, Mr R Ogle, Mrs G Spencer, Mr D Willmott, Mrs L Callnon, Mrs K Bivens, Mr T Kendall-Torry, Mr L Harper and Mrs E Baker (Clerk).

In Attendance

Spencer Hawkes, PCSO Wes Owen.

126/1314 **PRAYERS**

127/1314 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Spencer. The apologies were agreed and accepted.

128/1314 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED the minutes from the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th December 2013 were agreed and signed.

129/1314 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Cllr Kendall-Torry declared an interest regarding item 136/1314
Cllr Cooper declared an interest regarding item 136/1314.

130/1314 **POLICE UPDATE**

PCSO Owen attended the meeting.

Crime figures for December 2013

Type of Offence	December
Burglary Dwelling	1
Other Burglary	2
Sexual Offence	0
Criminal Damage	2
Drug Offences	1
Other Offences	0
Theft from Vehicle	3
Theft / Handling	5
Theft of motor vehicle	1
Violent Offences	3
Total	18

The Chairman asked if there are any dispersal zones set up in Finedon. PCSO Owen informed the meeting that there are none in place; however anti-social behaviour figures are down in Finedon.

Cllr Swann reported that in Kettering when the new lights were installed there had been a reduction in crime in some areas by 40%.

Cllr Callnon informed the meeting that the new lighting may deter any crime and prevent youths from hanging around in the streets. PCSO Owen had found that the new lights made it easier to see people at night.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Owen for attending the meeting.

131/1314 **QUESTIONS / STATEMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

There were no questions or statements from Parishioners.

132/1314 **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

- a. The Chairman proposed that a letter of thanks and congratulations was sent to the Buffs for the Christmas Fayre. It was agreed that the Clerk write a letter to the Buffs.

133/1314 **POCKET PARK MAINTENANCE/GROUND
MAINTENANCE/CEMETERY**

- a. Cllr Swann informed the meeting that he had received some photos and concerns about the maintenance of the Pocket Park. It had been reported that the hand rails for the steps had been broken for some time. Mr Hawkes, from SJ Hawkes Ltd informed the meeting that he had been unable to get his equipment into the Pocket Park to repair the hand rails.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman, Cllr Bentley and Mr Hawkes meet in the Pocket Park to discuss the issues raised by the resident.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk replace the Bylaw sign at the entrance to the Pocket Park on St Mary's Avenue.

- b. Spencer informed the meeting that the ground maintenance is up to date and litter picking is being done.
The Chairman thanked Mr Hawkes for attending the meeting.

134/1314 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

RESOLVED

- a. It was agreed to give permission to the Church to use the Green for the Summer Fayre on 21st June 2014.
- b. The Chairman asked for volunteers to help with the flag hoisting. Cllr Kendall-Torry, Cllr Harper, Cllr Bentley, Cllr Ogle and Cllr Mrs Bailey all agreed to help. The Clerk will produce a list of contact numbers for the Chairman to use when required.

135/1314 **HIGHWAYS**

- a. The Parish Satisfaction Questionnaire from MGWSP was completed. The Clerk will return the questionnaire to MGWSP.

136/1314 **PLANNING**

RESOLVED:

- a. **Planning Applications**

There was no comments for the following application
 WP/2013/0631/F – Proposed single storey garden room to side of house and internal alterations – 100 Bank Farm, Thrapston Road for Mr and Mrs G Robinson

A site viewing has been arranged for the following application 10.45 am Tuesday 21st January 2014.
 WP/2013/0637/O – Erection of 2 bedroomed bungalow adjacent to existing (outline application with matters reserved) 20 Burton Road for Mr Graham Smith

There was no comments for the following application
 WP/2013/0636/F – Proposed First Floor side extension 15 Milner Road for Mrs M Chang.

137/1314 **BANKS PARK / WELL STREET OPEN SPACE**

RESOLVED

- a. The Clerk informed the meeting that there were no observations to be reported following the inspection of the Pocket Park.

138/1314 **ACCOUNTS / FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

- a. The bank reconciliation was agreed

B/F 01/04/13	14,270.41		
Receipts	75,047.65	Payments	45,486.06
	Business Access Account		Business Current Account
Bank Statement 01/10/13	234.39	Bank Statement 29/11/13	33,886.32
Receipts		Payments not shown	Total cheques = £4,515.62
		Receipts not shown	Cheque No 1218 = £43.50
Total	234.39	Money in Account	29,561.61

- b. Accounts for payments

RESOLVED:

The accounts for payment were agreed

Cheque No.	Payee	Net	VAT	Total
001237	Over 60's Club Day Care Grant	300.00		300.00
001238	FSCFC – Day Care Grant	300.00		300.00
001239	FWC for the blind – Day Care Grant	100.00		100.00
001240	Coleman's Stationery	24.93	3.53	28.46
001241	Technocopy Solutions – Photocopier	27.88	5.58	33.46
001242	WBC – Room Rent x2 months	87.00		87.00
001243	Hedgerow Tree Services	275.00		275.00

001244	Finedon Junior School – Playground	15.00		15.00
001245	SLCC membership 2014	101.00		101.00
001246	E Baker Salary and Expenses	492.50		492.50
001247	SJ Hawkes Ltd – Maintenance	2336.00	467.20	2803.20

RESOLVED

- c .It was agreed that the Precept for 2014/2015 would be £47,263.00. The Clerk will inform Wellingborough Borough Council of the amount requested. The estimated expenditure and precept calculations are attached with the minutes.

139/1314 NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED

- a. Change of Monitoring Officer at Borough Council of Wellingborough.
b. Letter of thanks from Over 60's Club for Day Care Grant
c. Clerks and Councils Direct

140/1314 AOB FOR REPORT ONLY

Items to be included in the next meeting agenda

- a. Petition received for a Christmas Tree in Finedon
b. VAS Sign – Suitable places to display.
c. Anniversary of Start of WW1 celebrations.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm