

## FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Town Hall, Finedon on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2014.**

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

#### **In Attendance**

Spencer Hawkes, 5 members of the public.

1/1415            **PRAYERS**

2/1415            **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and agreed from Cllr Mrs B Bailey and Ms L Callnon.

3/1415            **MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes from the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014 were agreed and signed.

4/1415            **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Cllr Cooper declared an interest for item 181/1314 a. Planning Application WP/2014/00206/FUL

5/1415            **POLICE UPDATE**

PCSO Mike Bowes attended the meeting

#### **Crime figures for March 2014**

<b>Type of Offence</b>	<b>February</b>
Burglary Dwelling	1
Other Burglary	2
Sexual Offence	0
Criminal Damage	3
Drug Offences	7
Other Offences	0
Theft from Vehicle	2
Theft / Handling	4
Theft of motor vehicle	0
Violent Offences	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>

The Clerk informed the meeting that 3 Section 59 warnings have been given out in the town and 2 Vehicles were seized due to no insurance. One MDA drug warrant was carried out on a property in Finedon resulting in an amount of drugs being seized and a person arrested.

The Councillors were concerned with the increased numbers of crime. It was **Resolved** that the Clerk contact the Inspector at Wellingborough Police Station.

Cllr Ogle reported that there has been a lot of Anti-social behaviour in High Street. Cllr Bivens reported that a man has approached a young child, offering comics, in the Hall Drive area. The incident has been reported to the police.

PCSO Bowes informed the meeting that PCSO Owen spends approximately 75% of his time in Finedon. The Community Street Watch programme has started in some other villages. PCSO Owen is organising the Street Watch programme in Finedon. The Chairman thanked PCSO Bowes for attending the meeting.

7.10pm Cllr Kendall-Torry arrived at the meeting.

#### 6/1415            **QUESTIONS / STATEMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

A resident addressed the Councillors regarding objections to a planning application in Allen Road. The Chairman informed the resident that the application would be discussed during the planning section of the agenda.

#### 7/1415            **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- a.     The Clerk informed the meeting she had met with the Tennis Court Care company in the Banks park to discuss the problems with the tennis court. The courts are going to be sprayed with moss killer and the areas affected patched. It was agreed that the tree in the Banks park playground be removed at a cost of £750.
- b.     It was agreed that Cllr Harper confirm whether the Buffs Charity fund raising indicator is going to be installed on the Green or at the Community Centre.

#### 8/1415            **POCKET PARK MAINTENANCE/GROUNDMANTENANCE /CEMETERY**

- a.     The Chairman gave an update regarding the recent Pocket Park inspection. Cllr Bentley who is liaising with Mr Hawkes informed the meeting that the current project to clear the dead wood will take approximately 3 months to do at 3 days per month. Mr Hawkes informed the meeting that he still owes 2 days from last month and is still working on the top area. He has experienced some problems with fly tipping and has had to remove hardcore, carpets and kitchen units etc from the pocket park. The Chairman informed the Councillors that if residents come to them regarding problems in the pocket park they should inform them to contact the Clerk for discussion on the next agenda.
- b.     The Ground maintenance work is currently up to date. Mr Hawkes informed the meeting of the problem with dog fouling on the green. It was **Resolved** that the Clerk contact the dog warden. Mr Hawkes reported that he had already carried out 4 cuts of the grass. It was agreed that he should cut the grass every fortnight.

#### 9/1415            **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

The Clerk read out correspondence from the Stagecoach regarding the proposed changes to the bus services in Finedon. Following a discussion with concerned residents and the Councillors it was **Resolved** that the Clerk contact Stagecoach again to get more clarification on the exact changes to the bus services.

10/1415      **PLANNING**

RESOLVED:

a.      **Planning Applications**

There was no comment for the following applications

WP/2014/00206/FUL – Proposed vehicular crossing at 56 Irthlingborough Road for Mrs M Walker.

WP/2014/00178/FUL – Proposed new dwelling on land adjacent 113 Wellingborough Road. All as previously approved on reserved matters application WP/2010/0410/RM on land adjacent to 113 Wellingborough Road for Mr G Pearce.

The Councillor objected to the following application due to over development of the area and loss of amenities for the neighbours. It was agreed to object to the application and request a site viewing of the property.

WP/2014/0060 – Double storey rear extension and single storey front porch at 60 Allen Road for Mrs Romina Brahaj.

- b.      The Chairman reported on the extension of the conservation area draft proposal. It was agreed that the Clerk contact Alex Stevenson at the Borough Council of Wellingborough to inform him that the Councillors are in favour of the extension.

The Chairman reported a the flyer that has been distributed in Finedon regarding a potential application for a solar farm on the boundary of Finedon Parish between Burton Latimer and Finedon.

11/1415      **BANKS PARK / WELL STREET OPEN SPACE**

RESOLVED

- a.      There were no problems to report in the Play Area.  
 b.      It was **Resolved** any comments regarding the risk assessment that has been circulated to the Councillors be sent to the Clerk before the next meeting.

12/1415      **ACCOUNTS / FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

- a.      The bank reconciliation was agreed

B/F 01/04/13	14,270.41		
Receipts	79,624.65	Payments	56,859.03
	<b>Business Access Account</b>		<b>Business Current Account</b>
Bank Statement 01/04/13	234.45	Bank Statement 01/04/14	22,531.17
Receipts	0.03 Interest	Payments not shown	
		Receipts not shown	
<b>Total</b>	<b>234.45</b>	<b>Money in Account</b>	<b>22,531.17</b>

- b. Accounts for payments

RESOLVED:

The accounts for payment were agreed

<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Total</b>
001271	Eon – Electricity charges	26.39	1.32	27.71
001272	Colemans Stationery	11.65	2.32	13.97
001273	Anglian Water	13.43		13.43
001275	Northant Calc	939.42		939.42
001276	Technocopy Solutions	27.88	5.58	33.46
001277	SJ Hawkest Ltd	2331.00	466.20	2797.20
001278	Eon Maintenance	21.54	4.31	25.85
001279	Clerk Expenses and Salary	406.98		406.98
001280	HM Revenue & Customs PAYE 13/14	237.20		237.20
001281	HM Revenue & customs PAYE 1415	94.00		94.00

**RESOLVED**

- c Receipts of £4,526.94 was received as VAT refund.
- d. The Parish Council agreed to receive the income and expenditure report for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014.

13/1415 **NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

**NOTED**

Village Viewpoint – Spring Edition  
LCR – Spring 2014  
NCalc Update – March /April 2014

14/1314 **AOB FOR REPORT ONLY**

Cllr Kendall-Torry informed the meeting that he had heard that there may be a potential planning application submitted on land at Townside Farm, Summerlee Road.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm