

FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Town Hall, Finedon on Wednesday 30th July 2014.

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

In Attendance

Spencer Hawkes and PCSO Wes Owen.

50/1415 **PRAYERS**

51/1415 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and agreed from Cllr Mrs G Spencer.
Cllr S Cooper was absent.

52/1415 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
There were no declarations of interest.

53/1415 **MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes from the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 18th June 2014 be agreed and signed.

54/1415 **QUESTIONS / STATEMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

There were no questions or statements from Parishioners

55/1415 **POLICE UPDATE**

PCSO Wes Owen attended the meeting and gave an overview of the crime figures for June

Crime figures for June 2014

Type of Offence	July
Burglary Dwelling	0
Other Burglary	0
Sexual Offence	0
Criminal Damage	2
Drug Offences	3
Other Offences	0
Theft from Vehicle	0
Theft / Handling	2
Theft of motor vehicle	0
Violent Offences	2
Total	9

PCSO Owen informed the meeting that there have been issues relating to anti-social behaviour and litter at the Recreation Ground. Many youths in cars have been meeting in the car park and disturbing residents in the area and leaving large amounts of litter. The Borough environmental officer has been involved and has issued fines for dropping litter.

The parking issues on Dolben Square have been investigated. The parking officers will be coming out to inspect the area.

People have been camping in the pocket park recently however they have since left. The Chairman informed the police that there has been a lot of noise from Banks Park after 10pm into the early hours of the morning.

Cllr Bivens reported that there had been violent attack on a lady in the street and her jewellery had been stolen from her.

PCSO Owen informed the meeting that Finedon has 4 fully trained Street Watch wardens and 3 more are currently going through training.

56/1415 **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

There were no matters arising.

57/1415 **POCKET PARK MAINTENANCE/GROUNDMANTENANCE
/CEMETERY**

- a. It was agreed that Mr Spencer Hawkes should cut back the stinging nettles in the pocket park and replace the hand rail on the steps. A site meeting was arranged for 15th August at 10.00am.
- b. Mr Hawkes informed the meeting that the hedge around Banks park would be trimmed in the next few days. He reported that some flowers and bulbs had been stolen from the beds in Banks Park.
- c. The letter from the resident regarding timings of work carried out in Banks park was noted.
- d. The letter from the resident regarding the flower beds in Banks park was noted.
- e. It was agreed that the Clerk liaise with Cllr Bentley regarding the volunteer group from Travis Perkins offer of help in the Pocket Park.

58/1415 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

- a. It was **Resolved** that Cllr Spencer would take over as Parish Council representative on the Parochial Charities.
- b. The email from Burton Latimer Town Council regarding the Civic Service was noted.
- c. It was **Resolved** that the Parish Council would give the Buffs a £200 donation towards new lighting for the Christmas Tree.
- d. It was noted that in October the Recreation Ground will become designated area, which will enable the Police to disperse any crowds of people in the car park.

- e. Cllr Swann gave an update following the meeting held at the Sidegate Lane Landfill site. He informed the meeting that the site will be closing. The site is currently not being used and all rubbish is going to a site in Cambridgeshire.
- f. It was **Resolved** that the Clerk will send the comments from the Parish Council regarding the current polling station to the Electoral Registration Officer.

59/1415 **HIGHWAYS / PATHS**

- a. It was **Resolved** that the double yellow lines outside The Bell Inn would be removed. The Clerk will complete the form and send to the County Council Highways department.
- b. The Parish Council were very concerned with the state of the wall in Orchard Terrace and asked the Clerk to contact Helen Howard from the County Council Highways department to find out who will be repairing it.
- c. It was **Resolved** that the Clerk contact Wellingborough Council to ask if St Mary's Avenue could be cleaned as there is a lot of rubbish on the path.

60/1415 **PLANNING**

RESOLVED:

- a. The Clerk is to write to Wellingborough council and Kettering Borough Council with their objections regarding the letter from Infinergy regarding proposed revised layout of Burton Wold Wind Farm South.
- b. Cllr Mr Bailey informed the Council about the proposed WEAST (Stanton Cross) development. There was a discussion regarding the scale of the project and the affect it would have on Finedon. The Councillors were given a map of the area that would be development on.
- c. The email from East Northants Council regarding neighbourhood planning boundaries at Higham Ferrers, Irthlingborough and Stanwick were noted.

61/1415 **BANKS PARK / WELL STREET OPEN SPACE**

RESOLVED

- a. The Clerk gave a report of the observations made by the Playground Inspector following the Annual Inspection of the Banks Park Playground. It was agreed that the Clerk look into getting the seats repainted and have the igloo climber inspected.
- b. The Risk Assessment was approved and signed by the Chairman.

62/1415 **ACCOUNTS / FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

a. The bank reconciliation was agreed

B/F 01/04/14	22,765.62		
Receipts	51,361.80	Payments	13,977.03
	Business Access Account		Business Current Account
Bank Statement 01/07/14	234.48	Bank Statement 01/07/14	37,150.29
Receipts	0.01 Interest	Payments not shown	
		Receipts not shown	
Money in Account	234.48	Money in Account	37,150.29

b. Accounts for payments

RESOLVED:

The accounts for payment were agreed

PAYMENTS TO BE MADE IN JULY 2014

<u>Chq. No.</u>	<u>Payment To</u>	<u>Reason for Payment</u>	<u>£</u>
1295	WBC	Town Hall Room Hire	£28.35
1296	E-on	Maintenance Charge	£25.85
1297	LCR	LCR Renewal Subscription	£17.00
1298	Tennis Court Care	Moss Killer on tennis courts	£192.00
1299	Anglian Water	Cemetery water charges	£16.58
1300	Clerk	Salary & Exps	£421.39
1301	John Hicks Assoc	Annual Playground inspection	£61.56
1302	HM &RC	PAYE	£96.00
1303	Tecnocopy solutions	Photocopier maintenance	£33.46
1304	SJ Hawkes Ltd	June Maintenance	£2,797.20
1305	SJ Hawkes Ltd	July Maintenance	£2,797.20
1306	Independent Tree & fenc	Removal of tree in banks park	£900.00
1307	Clerk	Salary and Allowance	£414.52
1308	HM & RC	PAYE	£96.00
			7,897.11

It was agreed that the Clerks salary payment for August would be signed in the July Payment schedule. It was agreed that the maintenance contractor July payment would be signed in the July Schedule. Both would be received in August.

c. The External Audit was agreed and approved by the Parish Council.

d. It was agreed that the Pocket Park contract would be discussed after the site visit on 15th August.

e. The quote for the A3sign for the Pocket Park at £37.50. The A3 Banks Park sign at £37.50 and the 7 A4 signs for locking up Banks Park at £26.50 each were agreed by the Parish Council. The Opening times have been attached with the minutes.

63/1415 **NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

NOTED

Northants CALC Update – June 2014
Clerks and Councils Direct – July 2014

64/1415 AOB FOR REPORT ONLY

The Clerk reported that a resident had contacted her asking if Finedon could have a bypass.
The First World War Remembrance Service will take place at the Church on 3rd August at 5.45pm.

‘Lights Out’ will take place at the Bowls Club on 4th August from 10pm – 11pm.

A complaint has been made about the Hillside Farm sign in the field on Wellingborough Road as you enter Finedon.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm