

FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Town Hall, Finedon on Wednesday 17th June 2015.

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

206/1516 **PRAYERS**

207/1516 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr R Ogle and Cllr Cooper. Cllr Bailey had informed the Clerk that he would be late attending the meeting.

208/1516 **MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes from the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 20th May 2015 were agreed and signed.

209/1516 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest

210/1516 **QUESTIONS / STATEMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

There were concerns raised by a resident about the state of the cremation area of the Cemetery as it was felt that people who were visiting the area were not sure where to leave flowers and whether to have pots on the plaques. It was agreed that the Clerk would visit a cemetery in Wellingborough to find out how they maintain their cremation areas.

211/1516 **POLICE UPDATE**

- a. The police were unable to attend the meeting.
- b. The JAG minutes were passed to Cllr Mrs Bailey who will attend the next meeting on 22nd July

212/1516 **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The Chairman reported that he had attended the Police Commissioner Summit. The Police commissioner would like all Parishes Councils to support the recruitment drive to increase the number of special police constables for Parishes. It was agreed that the Clerk would put up the poster on the noticeboard and advertise on the Parish Council website.

It was agreed that the Clerk would report the overgrown bush on Laws Lane on the Street Doctor website.

213/1516 **POCKET PARK MAINTENANCE/GROUNDMANTENANCE /CEMETERY**

- a. Mr Hawkes informed the meeting that he was up to date with his hours in the Pocket Park and had strimmed the entrance on Station Road. The broken steps on the Holly Walk side were reported to Mr Hawkes for repair.

- b. Mr Hawkes informed the meeting that the maintenance of grass areas in Finedon was up to date.
- c. The Clerk will visit the Cemetery in Wellingborough to investigate what they do to maintain the Cremation areas.

214/1516 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

- a. It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange a meeting with the MP Peter Bone to see if he can help prevent the closure of the Finedon Medical Centre in Dolben Square.
- b. It was agreed that the Clerk arrange a date for the Police Commissioner to visit Finedon in August.

215/1516 **HIGHWAYS**

There were no matters to report.

216/1516 **PLANNING**

RESOLVED:

a. **Planning Applications**

There were no objections to the following applications
 WP/15/00320/FUL Erection of a side extension adjoining the existing dwelling at 1 Eastlands Road, Finedon for Mr R Furness.

WP/15/00352/FUL Proposed loft conversion to existing bungalow at 57 Oxford Street for Mrs L Burnham

The Parish Council objected to the following applications due to the industrialisation of the agricultural land.

KET/2015/0421 / 0422 / 0423/ 0438/ 0440 / 0445/ 0446

Full application with EIA: Construction of Solar photovoltaic PV farm including ancillary access tracks, inverter and transformer stations, substations, cabling, CCTV, fencing and landscaping.

217/1516 **BANKS PARK / WELL STREET OPEN SPACE**

RESOLVED

- a. The Clerk reported that there was some graffiti on the play equipment which would be removed.

218/1516 **ACCOUNTS / FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

- a. The bank reconciliation was agreed

B/F 01/04/15	22,957.89		
Receipts	56,690.94	Payments	10,669.30
	Business Access Account		Business Current Account
Bank Statement 13/05/15	40,236.78	Bank Statement 01/06/15	5,855.76
Receipts		Payments not shown	Dec payments total 1369 £70.90

		Receipts not shown	
Money in Account	40,236.78	Money in Account	5,784.86

b. Accounts for payments
RESOLVED:

The accounts for payment were agreed

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>Payment To</u>	<u>Reason for Payment</u>	£
BACS	Clerk	Salary	392.00
BACS	Clerk	Expenses	21.87
BACS	SJ Hawkes Ltd	Maintenance	2,797.20
BACS	Eon	Electricity Maintenance	25.85
BACS	Colemans	Stationery	15.96
BACS	Technocopy Solutions	Photocopier	34.03
BACS	Northants ACRE	Subscription	35.00
1371	NALC	LCR Subscription	17.00
1372	HMRC	PAYE	98.00
			3,436.91

- c. It was agreed that the Clerk write to SJ Hawkes Ltd and inform them to stop maintaining the Pocket Park from the 30th June 2015. Cllr Mr Bailey will contact Wellingborough Norse to find out if they can give the Parish Council advice on how to maintain the Pocket Park. The Clerk will contact the Countryside Volunteers to find out how to manage volunteers working in Pocket Parks.
- d. It was agreed to set up a working group to look at the new Standing Orders before they were approved. Cllrs Mr Bailey, Swann and the Chairman along with the Clerk would meet on Wednesday 15th July at 2.30pm.
- e. It was agreed that the Clerk look into purchasing a laptop for the Parish Council.

219/1516 **NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**
NCALC Update May – June 2015

220/1516 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
Wednesday 22nd July 2015

221/1516 **AOB FOR REPORT ONLY**

Cllr Swann asked for the heating issues in the Town Hall to be looked into. Cllr Bailey reported that NORSE had agreed to put the heating on much earlier on Meeting days. Cllr Bailey asked for a list of Councillors elected for Finedon Parish Council be displayed on the noticeboard.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

