

FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Town Hall, Finedon on Wednesday 21st January 2015.

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

In Attendance

PCSO Wes Owen

125/1415 **PRAYERS**

126/1415 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and agreed from Cllr Rankin and Cllr Bailey

127/1415 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

128/1415 **MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes from the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 10th December be agreed and signed.

129/1415 **QUESTIONS / STATEMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

There were no questions or statements from Parishioners

130/1415 **POLICE UPDATE**

PCSO Wes Owen reported that there had been 21 crimes reported during December 2014.

There were four theft handling crimes, five criminal damage, five violent offences, and four burglary other and three thefts from motor vehicle.

There has been a reduction in the number of reports received for Anti-social behaviour. Cllr Bailey asked about the incident at the Buffs Christmas Fayre involving alcohol being sold to members of the public. PCSO Owen informed the meeting that he was not on duty that day but had heard about the incident. He informed the meeting that the issues had been resolved.

The Chairman formally thanked PCSO Owen for attending the meeting.

131/1415 **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The Clerk read out letters of thanks from the Over 60's Club and FSCFC for the grants they had received.

The Clerk read out a letter of thanks from the Buffs for the donation from the Parish Council for Christmas tree lights. The Clerk informed the members that the Buffs had also received a letter from Wellingborough Council regarding the Christmas Fayre sign on Wellingborough Road. It was agreed that the Chairman would look into the matter.

132/1415 **POCKET PARK MAINTENANCE/GROUNDMANTENANCE
/CEMETERY**

- a. Mr Spencer Hawkes was unable to attend the meeting. It was reported that a tree had fallen down in the Pocket Park and was blocking the walk way on the Holly Walk side.
- b. It was agreed that the crosses on the grass in the War Memorial would be removed before the grass cutting season started again.

133/1415 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

- a. It was **Resolved** that a working group would complete the Open Spaces questionnaire on behalf of the Parish Council. The working group included The Clerk, Cllr Mr Bailey, The Chairman, Cllr Mr Swann. The meeting will take place on Monday 26th January at 2.30pm.
- b. It was agreed that the Well Street / High Street Green could be used by the Church for the Summer fete on 27th June 2015.

134/1415 **HIGHWAYS / PATHS**

- a. The Chairman informed the meeting that he had been asked to find out if any more dropped kerbs would be installed in the town. It was agreed that the Chairman would contact Northamptonshire Highways to find out if they would be installing any more dropped kerbs in the future.

135/1415 **PLANNING**

Cllr Ogle Chaired the discussions for the planning applications.

- a. Planning Applications

There were no objections to the following application.
WP/14/00800/FUL – Erection of 2 bed house (Substitution for dwelling 2 on planning permission ref: WP/2006/0541) – Amended plan at rear of 90 Orchard Road for Mr D Farrow.

The Parish Council objected to the following application due to industrialisation of the countryside and on aesthetic grounds.
WP/14/00756/FUL – Installation of one mid-scale wind turbine of maximum height to tip of 77m and including: upgraded and new access track, a hardstanding area, a small substation enclosure, temporary guyed meteorological mast and associated infrastructure – Additional Noise Information at Rye Hill Farm, 76 Orlingbury Road, Isham for F M Reynolds Partnership.

136/1415 **BANKS PARK / WELL STREET OPEN SPACE**

RESOLVED

- a. There were no observations to report following the playground inspection.

137/1415 **ACCOUNTS / FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

- a. The bank reconciliation was agreed

B/F 01/04/14	22,765.62		
Receipts	70,706.03	Payments	38,086.62
	Business Access Account		Business Current Account
Bank Statement 31/12/14	234.54	Bank Statement 31/12/14	32,559.65
Receipts		Payments not shown	Dec payments total 1336 £69.78 1342 £105.00
		Receipts not shown	
Money in Account	234.54	Money in Account	32,384.87

- b. Accounts for payments

It was resolved that the accounts for payment were paid.

PAYMENTS TO BE MADE IN JANUARY 2015

Chq. No.	Payment To	Reason for Payment	
1346	HMRC	Dec PAYE & NI	104.20
1347	Clerk	Salary and Expenses	442.16
1348	Anglian Water	Cemeter water charges	15.68
1349	SJ Hawkes Ltd	Maintenance	2,797.20
1350	Technocopy Sol.	Photocopier	33.80
1351	Eon	Ligh mainten.	25.85
1352	WBC	Town Hall Hire	28.35
			3,447.24

- c. It was noted that £4,742.51 VAT refund had been received.

d. The Precept for 2015/16 of £51,218 was agreed by the Parish Council. The budget for 2015/2016 is attached with the minutes.

- e. It was **Resolved** that the Clerk set up the Parish Council bank accounts online.

138/1415 NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Noted – The Clerks and Councils Direct January 2015 edition.

139/1415 AOB FOR REPORT ONLY

Cllr Ogle informed passed round a copy of the Regimental Association final accounts from the World War 1 Commemoration project. The remaining sum of £639.14 was distributed between seven charities in Finedon

Finedon Senior Citizens £100.00

Church Restoration Fund £100.00

Star Hall £100.00

The Community Centre £100.00
Friends of Finedon Library £100.00
1st Finedon Scouts £100.00
Finedon Historical Society £39.14.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Ogle for his efforts in the organisation of the World War 1 Commemorations.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.