

FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Town Hall, Finedon on Wednesday 23rd February 2016.

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

Present: Mr Spencer Hawkes

302/1516 **PRAYERS**

There was a minutes silence for Cllr Kath Bivens who had passed away. The Chairman commended Cllr Bivens for being a great member of the community and for her hard work as a Councillor. Cllr Bivens funeral is to take place on Thursday 18th February at 1.00pm.

303/1516 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs G Spencer and B Bailey.

304/1516 **MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2016 were agreed and signed.

305/1516 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Cllr Harper declared an interest on item 312/1516

306/1516 **QUESTIONS / STATEMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

There were no questions or statements from parishioners.

307/1516 **POLICE UPDATE**

January 2016

16 Offences in total as follows –

Criminal Damage – Finedon Dolben Cricket Club – Damage to Sky Dish
Criminal damage to vehicles – Wellingborough Road – Damage to wing mirror of vehicle

Burglary in a dwelling - Allen Road - Theft of £2 from elderly male
Attempted burglary in a dwelling – Summerlee Road – Victim believes front door has been tampered with, no entry gained
Burglary in a building (Non Dwelling) – Wellingborough Road – Till snatch at Co-op
Burglary in a building (Non-dwelling) – Irthlingborough Road – Shed broken in to

Theft - Thrapston Road – Large amount of red diesel stolen from building site
Theft – Thrapston Road – An amount of red diesel stolen from building site

Assault without injury – Well Street – Young female assaulted by 2 males
Assault without injury - Wellingborough Road – Male pushed to floor

Assault with injury – Poplar Road - Domestic related assault between ex-partners

Theft – Cromer Road – Domestic related theft by ex-partner

Assault with injury - Irthlingborough Road – Domestic related assault

Assault without injury – Thrapston Road – Domestic related incident

Assault without injury – Thrapston Road - Domestic related incident (Linked to above)

Criminal damage – Allen Road – Domestic related criminal damage

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MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

A letter has been received from the Post Office informing the Parish Council that the Post Office in Wellingborough Road will be closing in March and re-open in the Premier Store on Irthlingborough Road.

The Chairman informed the meeting that he had raised the issue regarding the accommodation in the back garden of a property in Allen Road with Wellingborough Borough Planning Office.

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POCKET PARK MAINTENANCE/GROUNDMANTENANCE /CEMETERY

- a. Mr Spencer Hawkes informed the meeting that he had repaired one step of steps in the Pocket Park but had been unable to do the other two sets as it had been too wet. The litter picking in Banks Park has reduced but there have still been incidents of human excrement being found in the Banks Park. The Clerk would report it to PCSO Wane. He reported that rats had been seen in the rubbish which had built up next to the Co-op. It was agreed that the Clerk would inform the Co-op Head Office about the rubbish.

Mr Hawkes reported that someone had been riding a small motorbike in the Pocket Park. Cllr Bentley confirmed that he had also seen someone on a small motorbike on the green in Well Street / High Street. The Clerk would report it to the Police.

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COMMUNITY MATTERS

- a. Cllr Ogle informed the meeting that two mobile flagpoles were going to be donated to the Royal Anglican Regiment. He would be inspecting the flagpoles in the next couple of weeks and would report back to the Parish Council at the next meeting.
- b. It was reported that the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides would be taking part in “Clean for the Queen” campaign on 4th, 5th and 6th of March. It was agreed that the Parish Council would look into planting a tree on the green for the Queen’s 90th Birthday celebrations. The Clerk will contact Felicity Webber at WBC for advice.
- c. The invitation from Borough Council of Wellingborough to the Civic Ball on 16th April 2016 was noted.
- d. The letter from Northamptonshire ACRE regarding the 2016 Best Village Competition was noted.
- e. The request from Finedon St Mary’s Church to use the Well Street / High Street open space for the Church Summer Fete was approved. However there were some concerns regarding the use of the green for a

car boot sale. It was agreed that the Clerk contact the Church to get some more information.

311/1516 **HIGHWAYS**

- a. It was agreed that the Clerk would report the damage to the grass verges on Street Doctor.

312/1516 **PLANNING**

RESOLVED:

a. **Planning Applications**

WP/16/00057/ADV – Replacement illuminated fascia sign and non-illuminated hanging sign at 26A Irthlingborough Road.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would not object to the application but would request that the sign only be illuminated during opening hours.

313/1516 **BANKS PARK / WELL STREET OPEN SPACE**

- a. It was reported that there was some more graffiti on the wall in Banks Park. The Clerk will contact Wellingborough Norse and get it removed.
b. It was agreed that En-tout-cas would resurface the tennis courts as per the quote received of £15,695 + VAT.

314/1516 **ACCOUNTS / FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

- a. The bank reconciliation was agreed

B/F 01/04/15	22,957.89		
Total Receipts	£56,863.21	Total Payments	£35,742.05
	Cash Book Balance as Statement 31.01.16	Unreconciled Report	Total Balance
Business Instant Account	39,250.46		39,250.46
Treasurers Account	4,828.59	Payments – None Receipt - None	4,828.59
Total	44,079.05		44,079.05

- b. Accounts for payments

RESOLVED:

The accounts for payment were agreed for February

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No.	Payment To	Reason for Payment	
1390	HMRC	February PAYE	91.60
BACS	Clerk	Salary and Expenses	366.55
BACS	NCC	Pension Contribution	150.92
1389	WBC	Hire of Town Hall	28.50
BACS	Technocopy Sol.	Photocopier	38.53
BACS	Northants ACRE	Subscription	35.00
BACS	SJ Hawkes	Maintenance	2,380.33
BACS	Well Norse	Graffiti removal	48.00
	Total		3,139.43

315/1516 NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

New Correspondence Received

Northants CALC Update January / February 2016

Northamptonshire ACRE Winter Village Viewpoint Magazine.

316/1516 AOB FOR REPORT ONLY

It has been confirmed that the double yellow lines on Bell Hill are going to be removed.

The next Parishes Forum meeting is on 24th March 2016

The next JAG meeting is to be held on 2nd March 2016

The meeting closed at 7.55pm