

# **FINEDON PARISH COUNCIL**

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council - 1424 held at the Town Hall, Finedon Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 from 7pm**

**Present:** Councillors R Ogle (Chairman), L Harper, M Ward, T Kendall-Torry, G Spencer, G Swann, B Bailey, M Bentley & Mrs J Tufnail (Clerk)  
Cllr G Mercer (NCC)  
Mr J McGibbon

### **PRAYERS**

84/17-18 **APOLOGIES** were received and accepted from Cllr S Farrell (personal), D Mullan, D Willmott & S Cooper (working). Absent – Cllr A Weatherill

85/17-18 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – None Received

86/17-18 It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 were **agreed** and signed by the Chairman.

87/17-18 Mr McGibbon addressed the Council regarding the proposed headstone for his mother's grave in the Cemetery. He advised that WBC (the Burial Authority) had objected to the height of it despite there being 2 other identical headstones in the Cemetery. The Council discussed his concerns and it was agreed that the Clerk would write to WBC stating that FPC had no objections to the headstone as proposed.

Cllr Gill Mercer (NCC) assured the Council that the NCC budget was being scrutinized very carefully. It was noted that statutory services were taking a large chunk of the budget and that there was no resolution to the Library situation as yet.

It was noted that Friends of Finedon Library were holding their AGM on 21.1.18 at 3pm.

88/17-18 **OPEN SPACES** – Norse schedule of works for the year handed to Councillors.

Banks Park - The clerk reported that Warnes Tree Services were working in the Park.

The Green - The Clerk advised that Norse had completed their tree work.

Pocket Park & Tainty Field

1. The Clerk advised that Planning for the railings had been sought and that an application for assistance had been made to WBC for a Capital Community Grant.
2. The Clerk advised that Norse were working on the trees in Pocket Park.
3. The Clerk put forward a quote & wording for the entrance signs which were agreed.

Cemetery – It was noted that Norse were doing the trees and that it was looking tidy.

89/17-18 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

a) Skate Park Proposal – No proposals submitted, matter closed.

b) NCALC Emergency Planning Training not until 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

90/17-18 Cllr Ward advised that he had nothing to report on the WBC Budget as yet.

91/17-18 **Planning**

WP/17/00763/FUL Single storey rear extension 25 Ivy Lane - No objection

WP/17/00790/FUL Demolition of redundant ambulance station and erection of a terrace of three 3 bedroom dwellings 1A Milner Road – Objected due to lack of adequate parking

WP/17/00775/FUL 2 storey/single storey rear extension 1 Bell Hill - No objection

92/17-18 **HIGHWAYS** – Cllr Gill Mercer (NCC) advised that she had been assured that it would be possible to get into Wellingborough from Finedon with the proposed road closures and that a footbridge would be in place over the railway on Wellingborough Road.

Mr Swinton's email was discussed and it was agreed that this was a Highways matter.

93/17-18 **FINANCE**

a. Cllr Bailey reported that she had completed the Internal Control checks and that everything was in order. Cllr Kendall Torry agreed to do the next check before the March meeting at 6.30pm.

b. The Bank reconciliation and payments list for January 2018 were considered, **proposed and duly agreed** and signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

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- c. The Clerk tabled the Budget for 2018-19 which had been agreed at the Budget meeting on 12.12.17. Following discussion, it was **proposed and duly agreed** to accept the Budget for the next year.
- d. The Clerk outlined the proposals for the Precept request to WBC, see report. Following consideration, it was **proposed and duly agreed** that the Council should raise the precept and request £64,000 to cover the budget.

94/17-18 The Clerk reported that no response had been received from the Health Centre. She also advised that she had received a complaint of dog fouling in the village but had asked them to contact the WBC Dog Warden. An additional article about dog fouling would be put into the March parish magazine. It was also noted that the speed sign had been found.

95/17-18 **AOB FOR REPORT ONLY** – Cllr Ogle reported that he had been invited by the Over 60s Club to give a talk about the Parish Council on 28.3.18 which he was going to do.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.11pm