

# **FINEDON TOWN COUNCIL**

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council – 1436 held at the Town Hall, Finedon Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019 from 7pm**

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

### **PRAYERS were held before the Meeting**

- 108/18-19 **APOLOGIES** had been received and were accepted from G Spencer, S Cooper & S Farrell.  
Absent Cllr A Weatherill
- 109/18-19 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – None
- 110/18-19 It was **resolved** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 were a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.
- 111/18-19 Cllr Griffiths reported to the Council about the new unitary council and the NCC budget. Discussion followed and Cllr Griffiths left.
- 112/18-19 **OPEN SPACES**  
Banks Park & The Green
1. The Clerk reported that there were no issues arising from inspections.
  2. The Clerk reported that there were now 5 trees reserved for planting as part of the Council's tree replacement scheme.
  3. It was **resolved** that the quotation from Norse should be accepted for the rebuilding of the brick pillars opposite Tann Road.
  4. Cemetery – The Clerk reported that the Chapels had been inspected as part of the asset register. The Council **resolved to** accept the quotation from Norse to clear out the gutters and to ask Norse to take a look at the vents in the gables, replacing the wire as necessary.
1. Pocket Park & Tainty Field – The Clerk confirmed that the application had been successful and the freehold transfer put in hand by WBC. The Clerk confirmed that she had requested the forms for a Capital grant from WBC in respect of the pathways in the pocket park and was looking into obtaining quotations for the job. It was agreed that a walk to assess the condition of the pathways would take place on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 10am.
2. It was **resolved** that Circus Savanna could hold a circus on Tainty Field for a reduced rent of £300 for the week 2-9<sup>th</sup> June 2019. It was agreed that the Clerk should look into the reinstatement of the stand pipe on the field and at Banks Park.
- 113/18-19 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**
3. The proposed closure of the Health Centre – Nothing further.
  4. Library – Nothing further.
  5. It was noted that a presentation by the Crime Prevention Team for residents had been arranged for 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019 in the Town Hall at 7pm.
  6. Cllrs Harper and Kendall-Torry reported that WBC had resolved to change Finedon's boundaries despite their best efforts.
- 114/18-19 **Planning**
- WP/19/00068/FUL – Brookside Garage 347 Wellingborough Road 36 Units – Following consideration there was no objection to the plans
- WP/19/00095/FUL – Earthworks Bovis Stanton Cross – no comment
- WP/19/00120/FUL – Pond 53 Stocks Hill – no objections
- The Council put forward 2 suggestions for road naming at the Milner Road development.

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- 115/18-19    **HIGHWAYS –**
1. Flooding at Bell Hill was raised and NCC Councillor Gill Mercer agreed to look into the matter with Highways
  2. The crossing on the A6 was discussed and NCC Councillor Gill Mercer agreed to take up the matter with Highways as it appears that the Council were not making headway.
- 116/18-19    **FINANCE –**
- a) Cllr Ogle reported that he had conducted the Internal Control inspection and had found everything to be in order. Cllr Bailey agreed to conduct the next inspection.
  - b) The Financial Report, Bank & Budget reconciliations were considered, **proposed and duly agreed.**
  - c) The payments list for March 2019 was considered, **proposed and duly agreed** and invoices signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations. The Clerk was instructed to make the payments as necessary.
  - d) It was **resolved** that the revised Internal Control Statement be adopted.
  - e) It was **resolved** that the virements for the 2019-20 budget be adopted.
  - f) It was **resolved** that the Council should renew its membership with Northants ACRE.
- 117/18-19    The Clerk confirmed that she had reviewed the Council's Asset Register and following discussion, it was **resolved** to adopt the 2019 Asset Register.
- 118/18-19    The Clerk confirmed that she had reviewed the Council's Insurance Policy and following discussion, it was **resolved** to revise the sums assured.
- 119/18-19    Following discussion, it was **resolved** to adopt the Media Policy & Complaints Procedure for the Council.
- 120/18-19    Following discussion, it was agreed not to adopt a mayor's role at this time.
- 121/18-19    Cllr Gill Mercer NCC's report was noted.
- 122/18-19    The Clerk's report was noted and her holiday approved.
- 123/18-19    No further matters were raised.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20pm.