

MINUTES of the meeting of HARPOLE PARISH COUNCIL held on
19th September 2011
at the Old School Hall, School Lane, Harpole at 7.45 pm.

PRESENT:

Mr D Ballard (in the chair)	Mr J Eason	Mr B Gibbins	Mrs R Gibbins
Mr J L Green	Mrs J Jenkinson	Mr B Justice	Mrs S Roberts
Mr D Starmer			
.	Cllr J Eliot SNC	Clerk, G Ravine	1 member of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Mr E J Church (Work), Mrs M Burt, Mr J Calderwood and Miss S Eason Apologies accepted by Council. Cllr A. Addison SNC, Cllr J Kirkbride NCC

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST; DB SR regarding the Harpole Action Team. DS regarding the allotments and SHLAA.OSH and PFA.

3. PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

CLLr JE reported that 3 new directors had been elected by both SNC and Cherwell. Interviews for heads of department were proceeding.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the meeting of 15th Aug 2011. After one small change was made, it was then proposed, and seconded that the minutes were accepted as a true record. Unanimous. The Chairman duly signed the minutes. The minutes of the EGM held on Aug were then accepted as a true record and the Chairman duly signed the minutes.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES;

Shed outside 1 Glassthorpe Lane. – Still in place. Cllr JK said it should be removed before the next meeting.

Regarding people and dogs using the Playing Field as a footpath. RG reported people were still using the playing field as access to a field to the north and that there was regular antisocial behaviour as well as litter. The police and landowner had been informed. BG referred to dog mess problems on the Playing Field and asked whether or not dogs were allowed, as he felt there was inconsistency. DB felt that this was not Parish Council business and should be taken up with the Playing Field Committee. DS said that the Playing Field belonged to the whole village and that anyone could become involved if they wished, the committee were volunteers trying to do their best.

State of the roads around Larkhall Way. Clerk to arrange meeting with Helen Howard 9NCC0 on 29th Sept at 15.30.

Clerk to write to SDC again and try and arrange for a site meeting on landscaping. NRHA had replied and would try and assist.

Clerk to clarify ownership of land, and the situation regarding the two empty houses, which were to be the shared ownership units.

	Power	Action
<p>6. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES.</p> <p>Allotments. No report.</p> <p>Churchyard. The Boys Brigade were to hold a sleepover in order to draw attention to the light of the homeless.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resolved . Council supported the sleepover. <p>Finance. – Accounts not yet returned.</p> <p>Footpaths. BG reported that the footpaths had all been cleared. EC had reported bench slats on a bench in Larkhall Lane were rotten. Clerk to instruct Mr Howey to replace.</p>		

Lighting. Light 68 to be left switched off until leaves were off.

7. REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMITTEE.

The Planning committee had considered the following applications.

S/2011/1033/EXT – Extension to time limit (S/2008/0903/P), two storey rear extension – 29 Larkhall Lane: **NO OBJECTIONS.**

S/2011/1069/FUL – Installation of 1 no. replacement 900mm microwave dish (existing 600mm dish to be removed) – Harpole Water Tower, Berrywood Road: **NO OBJECTIONS**

S/2011/1060/FUL – **Alterations and refurbishment of existing depot – Weedon Road, Kislingbury:**

WE OBJECT TO THE PROPOSAL for the following reasons:

Although the application form states that there would be no change of use, there would be a considerable change, as it was previously used for light goods vehicles and would now be used for heavy goods vehicles being at least twice the size and more.

It is on the border of the proposed country park and would create more noise and light pollution, as well as extra carbon monoxide fumes.

There are already difficulties in accessing the A4500 from the Kislingbury road, the roundabout is not big enough with the traffic of today and the proposed application would create a lot more traffic accessing this road.

There is only one access to and from the site which crosses over a driveway of one residential property and one other commercial property, coming out onto a main through road between the A4500 and the village of Kislingbury.

The proposal is for 24 hour usage and would be detrimental to the residents of South View.

We feel this application is totally unsuitable for this area.

* **Resolved** . Council endorsed the decisions of the Planning Committee.

8. EGM. DB gave a report on the EGM and thanked those who had attended.

9. Planning.- New landscape. The letter was considered and it was felt that Council had already embraced the new situation and were already working towards a Neighbourhood Plan. DB and SR to consider whether a response to other aspects was appropriate.

10. Planning Committee – Terms of Reference. Clerk distributed copies of specimen terms. In the absence of a number of the Planning Committee it was felt that they should be considered with a view to adopting next month.

11. Documents. Bryan Hardman held several deeds. Clerk to retrieve and copy.

12. Website. Progress is being made, a domain name has been purchased.

13. Neighbourhood Plan. SR reported that a meeting to brief street champions had been held, and there had been discussions regarding a questionnaire. Councillors had volunteered to distribute questionnaires. Talks had been held by SNC. The application to be a “Front Runner” would be considered on Nov 4th.

14. Standing Orders. DB wished to consider changing Standing Orders to allow clerk to answer consultations in conjunction with 4 councillors.

Deferred to next meeting.

Clerk

17. CORRESPONDENCE. –

Country gardens – noted.

Clerks and Councils direct – noted.

JPP Consultants Lighting. – noted.

NCC – adoption of Minerals and Wasteplan. – noted.

SMP – Play Areas – noted.

Roger Granville – e-mails re pocket parks – noted.

SNC - re new appointments – noted.

Year Book – noted.

SNH – walkabout – noted.

SNVB – newsletter. – noted.

Colin Wilkinson re Oak Tree – BG would like to plant near new houses.

SNC – South Northants Council NCC– Northamptonshire County Council OSHMC – Old School Hall Management Committee EMRA – East Midlands Regional Assembly. NCALC – Northants County Association of Local Councils. CLASP – Community Landscape & Archaeology Survey Project. WNJPU – West Northants Joint Planning Unit. SNH –South Northants homes

18. Accounts for payment.

Name	Chq no.	Amount	Incl VAT	Power used
G. Ravine – salary	Chq. 766	£369.57		LGA 1972 s 112
Inland revenue	Chq. 767	£92.39		LGA 1972 s 112
G.Ravine – expenses, stationary etc	Chq. 768	£127.74		LG (FP)A 1963 s5
R Howey – Bus shelter cleaning + bench treatments.	Chq. 769	£115.00		LG(MP)A 1953 s4
P Warden - Grass	Chq. 770	£541.20	91.20	Highways Act 1980s96
A+H Contracts Dog Bins	Chq. 771	£60.00	10.00	Clean Neighborhoods and Environment Act 2005

Bank balances HSBC Community Account £32071.42 16/8/2011 Scottish Widows. £29271.24 1/4/2011
Income-

* **Resolved.** Payments to be made.

19. Items for next agenda. Standing Orders, Website, Neighbourhood Plan, Planning Terms.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. Oct. 17th 2011