

MINUTES of the meeting of HARPOLE PARISH COUNCIL held on March 13th 2017
at the Old School Hall, School Lane, Harpole at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:

Mrs M Jones (in the chair)	Mr B Briscoe	Mr J Calderwood	Mr S Drinkwater	Miss S Eason
Mr B Gibbins	Mrs R Gibbins	Mr. B. Justice	Mr P Marlow	M. Marketis
Mr D Starmer			2 members of the Public	Clerk, G Ravine

- 1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** S. Roberts(Holidays), C Wilkinson (meeting clash) . Apology accepted by Council. Cllr J Kirkbride NCC
- 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** RG re allotments. DS re allotments, PFA, J16. DS re green wedges in the Neighbourhood Plan. SR re HAT. JC Churchyard, Charities, HAT.
- 3 **REGISTER OF INTERESTS UPDATE.** None.
- 4 **PUBLIC DISCUSSION.** Kath Monk gave a short talk on Internet banking and relevance to Parish Councils. Mark Payne recommended we encourage the village to use Streetdoctor.
- 5 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting of Feb 13th 2017. **Resolved.** The minutes were accepted as a true record and were signed by the Chair.
- 6 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.** Litter bins near school had been repaired. Bus shelters would not be painted with anti-graffiti glaze until the weather improves. The Pathfinder II project will be at the scarecrow festival. Campion school to be informed that no funding could be accessed
- 7 **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES and ADVISORY GROUPS.**
Allotments. RG reported that £91 more rent had been collected. Complaints about a greenhouse spoiling a view, had been received, but were not felt to be valid, and the correct procedures had been followed. There had been break ins and one plot holder had lost all his equipment. This had been reported to the police and a crime number obtained. The Allotments Association would be looking into security issues.
Churchyard. JC reported that the Ash tree had been removed and that the spoil heap could be removed if Louis Gibbins quote was acceptable. **Resolved.** Mr Gibbins quote for £80 to remove the spoil heap was accepted.
Finance. NCALC Internal Auditor now to be David Linnell, rather than Fiona Keable.
There were currently 4 bank signatories. BG, JC, DS and SE.
Resolved. GR, MJ and RG to become signatories.
Resolved. Internet banking to be set up. GR to become Primary user and could act as sole signatory on internet transactions up to a limit of £500.
Highways/ Footpaths. SNC were unwilling to put a permanent litter bin at the end of Glassthorpe Lane, but would monitor the situation. It was reported that a red powder had been sprinkled in Larkhall Lane, apparently to deter dogs, and a dog walker harassed. Police had been informed.
Resolved. Clerk to ask for a Police visit to Council.
Resolved. Council support Parishes against Pollution, regarding environmental impact of traffic growth.
Lighting. Light out by 30 Sandy Lane. Light 47 in Hall Close had at last been replaced. Clerk to distribute bills to relevant householders.
South View. BJ reported that works on the roundabout had taken place on the 12th and more were scheduled for the 19th. He was unconvinced they would help with drainage. Drain cover by bus stop in Sandy Lane to be reported to Streetdoctor. Clerk reported that Balfour Beatty had stated that the A4500 at South View had been “de-illuminated”, while Highways had stated that the lights would be re-instated this month.

8 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT & Financial Matters.**

	Accounts for payment.	Chq no.	Amount	Incl VAT	Power used
1	G. Ravine – salary incl holiday pay	Chq 1355	£1889.26		LGA 1972 s 112
2	HMRC Tax £314.60 Nis £206.40 Emp Nis £236.81	Chq 1356	£757.81		LGA 1972 s 112
3	R Howey- Bus shelter	Chq 1357	£20.00		Clean N/hoods & Env/ Act 2005
4	AH Contracts- Dog bins	Chq 1358	£84.00	£14.00	Clean N/hoods & Env/ Act 2005
5	Hampton Print – newsletter	Chq 1359	£68.95		Local Gv't Act 1972 S111
6	Aylesbury Mains – Hall Close Light replacement	Chq 1360	£1860.06	£310.01	Highways Act 1980 S301
7	Autela – tax agent	Chq 1361	£32.85		LGA 1972 s 112
8	Petty Cash	Chq 1362	£72.29		
9*	Anglian Water – Allots & Bowls Club -	Chq 1363	£682.48		
10*	L Gibbins – Churchyard maintenance trees	Chq 1364	£530.00		
11*	L Gibbins – Churchyard maintenance spoil heap	Chq 1365	£80.00		
12*	T Spokes – Allotments hedge	Chq 1366	£222.00	£37.00	
	Income. Allots Rents		£91.00		
	Bowls Club rent and water		£403.38		

*Received invoice after Agenda issued

Bank Balances HSBC 16/2/2017. £84,779.04

Resolved. Payments to be made.

9. **Planning** – Planning meeting to be held on March 20th at 7pm in OSH.

S/2017/0545/FUL	16 Glassthorpe La	Replace conservatory roof with flat roof & lantern, build up brickwork	New
S/2017/0491/FUL	9 Chester Avenue	Single storey side extension.	New
S/2017/0459/FUL	Grange Farm	Extend existing shed used for selling picked fruit & new disabled WC.	New

	Upper High St.		
S/2017/0461/FUL	Jubilee House 55 Garners Way	Replacement of rear back door and window with french doors, and replacing all doors and windows in garage.	New
S/2017/0499/COND S/2017/0501/COND	Riding Hill Farm Glassthorpe Lane	Conditions 3 & 4[Samples Cladding & Roofing materials] Appl. approval of details submitted pursuant to Cond 3/4 of planning permission S/2015/2668/FUL [Convert agric building to dog boarding kennels].	Info only
S/2017/0458/TCA	56 Upper High St.	The felling & removal of one Norway Spruce.	New
S/2017/0443/FUL	Wilsons Farm Glassthorpe L	Agricultural building	New
S/2017/0341/TCA	6 Park Lane	The felling & removal of one Oak tree.	New
S/2016/3184/FUL	15 Upper High St.	Demolish conservatory & replace with rear extension	Approved
S/2016/3032/FUL	Lavender Cottage Nobottle Nursery	Change of use of static caravan. New static caravan for accomm. Cabin for kitchen/dining,. Walkway * picket fence. Additional car parking	Approved
S/2017/0258/FUL	86 Larkhall Lane	Variation condition 2 (plans) of planning permission S/2015/2257/FUL (Replacement dwelling) to allow inclusion of solar panels on flat roof	Pending
S/2017/0066/MAF	84B Larkhall Lane	Demolish Nissan Hut, new 3m track, stable block & tack room/feed store.	Pending
S/2017/0028/FUL	82 Larkhall Lane	Proposed two storey extension to front	Approved

Resolved. Comments to be passed to SNC.

- 10 Neighbourhood Plan.** NP now with the Planning Inspector, it was hoped that the referendum could take place. Bloor Homes had sent an invitation to meet and discuss development of the Charity Lands on March 27th. MJ, CW, SR and JC to attend.
- 11 WPD (Western Power Distribution) project to put electricity underground.** WPD had met Clerk and Councillors to show the area for the proposed works to put overhead cables underground, this would not have cost implications for Council, as WPD would pay for the replacement of lights on the poles concerned. Clerk to consult Aylesbury mains for recommendations on cost efficient and environmentally friendly lighting
- 12 Harpole Charity – Resolved.** SR elected as a committee member to replace Kathy Briscoe. BG wished it recorded that he had abstained.
JC expressed concerns that the “Umbrella” Combined Charity Trust (created to sell land on behalf of the Harpole Charity and the Freeschool Charity) was minded to develop a constitution that would remove Parish Council influence from the charities, the Parish Council having traditionally elected all members of the Harpole Charity, and one for the Freeschool Charity. He felt that this was detrimental, and disregarded history. The Charity Commission had apparently advised this course of action, but the advice had not been seen. It was also felt that the amount of money involved with the sale of the charity lands was so large that transparency was required. The Harpole Charity also owns a cottage in Duck Lane, while the Freeschool Charity owns the land on which the School and Youth Club stand.
Resolved. Clerk to write to the Charity expressing Council’s concerns.
- 13 Red Lion lay by –SNC had conducted litter picking operations, but the problem was ongoing. SNC, the Police and the Countywide traveller Unit had all inspected the layby and apparently little could be done to move on “Resident Vehicles”, although some had moved on.
Resolved. Clerk to investigate ownership of layby at Land Registry.
Resolved. Clerk to invite Mr Dyche to meet Councillors at the lay by.
Resolved. Clerk to ask SNC to place litter bins at the lay by.**
- 14 Hearing Loop – Clerk to investigate installation of a hearing loop for OSH.**
- 15 Staff Assessment – Deferred.**
- 16 CORRESPONDENCE. –**

Autela – re auto –enrolment. - noted Aylesbury Mains/WPD – re lights - - noted Bloor Homes – invitation to meet –replied. S Cordingley – PFA Accts clerk to ask for more detailed accounts B Dyche – re vehicles in Red Lion.- noted R Fountain – re Newsletter. Noted and put on next agenda. Harpole Heritage – request for grant for “Big Dig” Noted and put on next agenda.	H Howard – re Turnpike. U-turns. - Noted CTU, SNC & NCC re Red Lion layby - Noted SNC Planning –Local plan 2a presentations notice. Circ. - Noted K Knight, Balfour Beatty re South view lights - Noted A Jones – various re litter. Circ. - Noted D Moody – re storm damage. Circ. - Noted Plant Monitoring scheme Circ. - Noted S Mold Police – invitation. Circ. - Noted
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SNC – South Northants Council NCC– Northamptonshire County Council NHB – New Homes Bonus, OSHMC – Old School Hall Management Committee .
NCAALC – Northants County Association of Local Councils. CLASP – Community Landscape & Archaeology Survey Project. WNJPU – West Northants Joint Planning Unit. SNH –South Northants homes. JCS. Joint Core Strategy. SDF (Strategic Development Framework)

- 18 Items for next agenda.** Newsletter, Harpole Heritage grant application
- 19 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS.** Parish Meeting – 7pm followed by Full Meeting with reduced agenda at 8pm. April 10th. 2017.
Highways - Mar 27th 2017 7pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.55

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