

**Present:**

Mrs M Jones (Chair), Miss S. Eason,
Mrs R. Gibbins, Mr J. Calderwood,
Mr B. Gibbins, Mr B. Briscoe, Mr B. Justice,
Mr.D.Starmer, Mr P. Marlow, Mr S. Drinkwater,
Mr M. Marketis & Clerk G. Ravine.

Apologies:

Mrs S. Roberts, Mr C. Wilkinson &
Cllr J. Kirkbride.

Public: (7)

A representative from HSBC explained the Internet Banking process to the Council & left the relevant forms for them to fill in.

Mark Payne who is pursuing highways about the amount of potholes spoke briefly about the state of the roads & advised he would attend the highway meeting with a proposed plan once the cost is confirmed.

Matters Arising:

The bottoms of the bins which were reported to be hanging loose have been repaired. The bus shelters on the A4500, will be painted in the better weather & anti-graffiti paint will be used. A large vehicle will be attending the Scarecrow Festival giving information about 'Flooding' & what to do etc.

Allotments:

There is still some monies coming in for rents. The waiting list has been sorted out & there are still some vacant plots. There had been a break-in at the allotments the weekend prior to this meeting – shed doors had been left open & one shed had been completely cleared out. This was reported to the Police & holders are reminded not to leave anything of valuable in their sheds & report any suspicious activities to the Police.

The Allotment Association is currently working on an improvement plan which includes better security of the site.

Churchyard:

The Yew trees have been cut right back, to a more manageable state. The tree near to the Old Rectory wall has been removed & the build-up of soil will be removed in the better weather.

Footpaths & Highways:

A letter will be sent asking when the roads in the village are going to be chipped, as it hasn't been done for at least 15 years.

The Red Lion lay-by has been cleaned up a bit, although various authorities are denying ownership, that it is a lay-by & that it is an environmental issue. The Council continues to liaise with these authorities in the hope that it is cleared & cleaned up.

The clerk will check Land Registry to establish ownership.

A site visit is to be requested from the Environmental Health.

Parking on pavements is still happening with many people not giving a thought to those who have to pass using mobility vehicles, prams pushchairs & pedestrians –PLEASE PARK RESPONSIBLY.

Reports have been received about many vehicles being broken into, both in the village & in the surrounding areas. The Police used to drive around the villages checking everything was alright. An invitation will be sent to the Police inviting them to come to the Parish Council meetings.

South View:

Following a request for more lighting along the front of the houses in South View, a letter had been received from Balfour Beatty stating the lights have been 'de-illuminated' (their words not mine) & Helen Howard from Highways, advising that they will be re-connected soon.

The A4500 & the roundabout will be closed on 19th March for resurfacing. The drains have been jetted however are still blocked.

The drain cover near to the bus stop in Sandy Lane will be reported as it moves when heavy vehicles pass over it & is in danger of lifting off completely.

Street Doctor:

Any highway, footpaths, road problems, should be reported to Street Doctor. The Council will also report them, however the more members of the public who use Street Doctor to report the problem, the more chance we have of getting things done.

There is a link on Harpole website.

Neighbourhood Plan:

The NP is now with the Inspector & will be discussed by SNC on the 7th June, following that a referendum will be held possibly in July.

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Western Power Distribution:

WPD are proposing to put the electricity wires underground & removing the poles in High Street & School Lane. Any street lights which currently sit on these poles will be replaced.

Hearing Loop:

A request has been made to put a hearing loop in at the Old School Hall, to be used throughout the building. Making it more accessible to those who are hard of hearing especially at meetings.

Glassthorpe Lane Bin:

Following correspondence for the bin to be reinstated at the end of Glassthorpe Lane, a reply has been received stating this is not possible as it is outside of the Village Boundary!

Any suggestions gratefully received.

Planning:

A meeting has been planned for 20th March to discuss:

S/2017/0545/FUL – 16 *Glassthorpe Lane* -

Replace conservatory with flat roof & lantern, build up brickwork.

S/2017/0491/FUL – 9 *Chester Avenue* - Single Storey Side Extension.

S/2017/0459/FUL – *Grange Farm Upper High Street* - Extend existing shed used for selling, picking fruit & new disabled WC.

S/2017/0461/FUL – *Jubilee House, 55 Garners Way* - Replacement of rear back door & window with French doors & replace all of the windows & door in garage.

S/2017/0458/TCA – 56 *Upper High Street* – The felling & removal of one Norway Spruce. (Information only).

S/2017/0443/FUL – *Wilsons Farm, Glassthorpe Lane* – Agricultural Building.

S/2017/0341/TCA – 6 *Park Lane* – The felling & removal of one Oak Tree (Information only).

S/2017/0462/NA – *Upton Lodge Farm, Weedon Road* – Neighbouring Authority Consultation. Residential development of up to 1,400 no units, a mixed use local centre including appropriate retail, healthcare & community facilities, a new primary school, areas of public open space, play provision & structured landscaping, internal roads & all associated infrastructure & demolition of existing shed at Upton Lodge Farm (outline planning application with matters of layout, appearance, landscaping & scale being reserved for subsequent approval).

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S/2016/3184/FUL – 15 Upper High Street – Demolish conservatory & with replace rear extension. **Approved**

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.

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.**

Date of next meeting:

The next meeting will be on Monday April 10th & will start at 7pm.

This meeting is the Parish Meeting where reports are heard from County & District Councillors, as well as Village organisations.

This will be followed by the normal Parish Council Meeting with a shortened agenda.

The next Highways meeting is on Monday 27th March at 7pm at the Old School Hall.

Please bring to the meeting any highway issues, fly tipping, potholes etc.

If you have anything to discuss or just want to listen – you are invited & will be most welcome to all Parish Council meetings.

Planning Meetings, Newsletter Reports & Minutes are advertised on the website.

Let us know your views, come along and have your say.

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