

Minutes of a meeting of Woodford Parish Council held on Tuesday 16th June 2015 in the vestry of the Baptist Church, Rose Terrace, commencing at 7.30pm

- Present:** Mr P Bird (chair), Mr N Chapman, Mr M Hackney, Mr M Hurst, Mr J Mead, Mrs S Robinson, Mr D Stevens, Mr I Vaughan.
- In attendance:** Mrs Fothergill, Mrs Hathaway. Mr P T Bird (Clerk)
- Apologies for absence:** Mr B Mearns, Mr D Sharples Mr M Vaughan, Police, Cllr D Hughes (ENC) and Cllr S Hughes (NCC)
- Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting** The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting having been circulated, were agreed as a true record by those present. It was unanimously agreed that the Chairman sign them as such.
- Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of the May Parish Council meeting having been circulated, were agreed as a true record by those present. It was unanimously agreed that the Chairman sign them as such.
- Police Report:**
- 1: The Clerk reported that there had been two shed break-ins during May. The Sexual Assault previously reported was now confirmed as a "historic event" and should not be considered as a "current concern".
 - 2: The Clerk reminded Councillors that the local Inspector, Julia Mead, and Sergeant, David Mc Ewan would be at the July meeting.
 - 3: Councillors agreed that inappropriate parking, and motorcycle nuisance through the shrubbery and outbuilding break-ins should be raised at the forthcoming JAG meeting.
- Comments from Electors:**
- 4: Mrs Fothergill drew attention to the state of the footpath on the west side of the green, and the number of obstacles including planters and plants growing from cottage walls. Clerk to include a comment in the Saints Alive.
- Cllr D Hughes Comments:**
- 5: Cllr Hughes was not present
- Cllr S Hughes Comments:**
- 6: Cllr Hughes was not present
- Matters arising from the minutes:**
- 7: **War Memorial Listing.** Historic England confirmed that the Memorial was now listed as a Grade II Building of Special Architectural / Historical Interest. Furthermore they advised that the Council should seek advice from the ENC Conservation Officer regarding the forthcoming cleaning and restoration.
 - 8: **Accident – General’s Corner (A510).** Highways had responded that the accident in April had been caused by driver error and not poor signage or the road layout (a vehicle heading north turned right into Woodford Rd directly in front of vehicle heading towards Finedon.
 - 9: **Lamps Alledge Drive.** The Clerk’s letter of complaint to E.on was read out. A response had not been received.
 - 10: **Village Gateways.** Mr Stevens reported that the Gateway in Addington Road was listed to be constructed this year. The White lines would be renewed throughout the village.
 - 11: **Village Sign.** The Village sign plinth was now under construction and the unveiling would take place at 3.00pm on Saturday 11 July.
- Planning Issues:**
- 12: East Northamptonshire Council Decisions
 - a) **20 Mill Road** Rear Extension 15/00847/FUL **Approved**
 - 13: New Planning Applications
 - a) **20 Mill Road** Vehicular Access and Dropped kerb **15/1073/FUL.** The Parish Council Had No Objection to the introduction of the vehicular access however was concerned about the design in that the gradient of the driveway was shown as going through to the side of the road as opposed to the "back side" of the pavement. Furthermore

there were a number of anomalies within the application with regard to finished surface and also the number of vehicles it would service.

No objection but with concerns

- b) **Land off 3A DeCapel Close. 15/00988/VAR.** Further to the site meeting held earlier in the year, the proposal had now been formally lodged. Councillors had made previous representations and there were **no further comments**.

14: Other Planning Matters

- a) Mr Sharples had emailed the Clerk advising that the Prince of Wales pub was being stripped of pub paraphernalia, and he understood there was the possibility that some building to the rear of the site were earmarked for demolition. It was resolved that the information to the Planning Enforcement Officer at ENC

New Correspondence:

- 15: **Un-roadworthy vehicles.** A complaint had been received regarding the number of un-roadworthy vehicles parked on the highway around the village, particularly in Rose Terrace and Highfield. Resolved that Clerk report to appropriate services.

Finance:

Account balances brought forward

Current Account	£1,097.24
Interest Account	£3,304.81
	£4,402.05

Less

⁹⁶⁶ Mr P Bird Clerk Salary	£295.00
⁹⁶⁷ Mrs D Bosworth – Litter Picking	£78.10
⁹⁶⁸ Cancelled	£0.00
⁹⁶⁹ E.on Month's Power	£294.79
⁹⁷⁰ E.on Lighting Maintenance	£306.49
⁹⁷¹ The Post Office (HMRC)	£121.40
⁹⁷² Mr D Cullum – Grass Cutting	£98.60
⁹⁷³ J&S Pendered Noticeboard	£816.00
	£2,010.38

Balance Carried forward

£8,597.00

- 16: Mr I Vaughan, Mr Mead seconded, and it was unanimously agreed that the above accounts be settled.

Accounts Year Ending March 2015:

- 17: The Accounts for the financial year ending in March 2015 were discussed and having been audited by the internal auditor were approved by Councillors.

- 18: The Annual Governance Statements were agreed unanimously by those present and the Chairman completed and signed the document with full approval of those present.

Replacement Lamp PL75 nr 111 Mill Rd:

- 19: The cost of replacing this lamp had been quoted at £320. Councillors agreed the lamp was important due to the proximity to the start of the 30mph zone. It was resolved that the Clerk place an order to replace this lamp.

Speed Indication Device Data:

- 20: The Clerk reported on results from the SID located in the High Street nr the Village Green for traffic entering from Great Addington. The highest speed recorded was 52mph, 85th percentile 32mph, average speed 26mph. Over the recording period of 23 days there had been between 16,100 vehicle movements.

Co-option of Parish Councillors:

- 21: Three nominations had been received by the Clerk: Mr G Banham, Mrs A Fothergill and Mrs J Hathaway. Following a secret ballot Mrs Fothergill and Mrs Hathaway were duly elected as Parish Councillors.
Mrs Hathaway and Mrs Fothergill withdrew from the meeting for this agenda item.

Any other Business: 22: Mr Chapman asked that "Adult Play Equipment" be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed

Dated