

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13 May 2014
in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm**

Members Present: Councillors M Thomas (Chairperson) B Hallam, R Settle, T Thomas and the Clerk

Members of the Public Present: Rugby Borough Councillor R Hazelton

1. **Apologies:** Councillor A Belgrove, County Councillor H Roberts
2. **Declaration of Interests** — Councillor R Settle - allotments
3. **Questions from the Public** - None
4. **Minutes** on the proposition of Councillor Settle seconded by Councillor Hallam the minutes of the meeting on 18 March 2014 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairperson and Clerk.
5. **Rugby Borough Councillor R Hazelton**
 - 5.1 **Vote Registration** — Councillor R Hazelton advised the meeting of a proposed new format regarding the registration of voters for forthcoming elections. The format is under discussion with no implementation date as yet.
6. **Planning**
 - 6.1 **Erection of 1.8m Boundary Fence at 1 White Barn Close**

The Parish Council has objected to the above planning application, An amended application has been received and the Parish Council is to forward further objections maintaining the view that the present hedge should be maintained with the ivy growth removed and replaced with Hawthorne. The fence should also be behind this existing hedge and not placed in front of the existing hedge with a laurel hedge in front to mask its appearance. The proposed amendment would see the fence and hedge only 300mm from the footpath and encroaching on the adopted Highway.

Agreed that Councillor M Thomas would raise the Parish Council's concerns with the Planning Authorities and that the Rugby Borough Councillor would make the Council's objections known to Rugby Borough Council.
 - 6.2 **Rugby Borough Councillor R Hazelton** left the meeting.
 - 6.3 **Land at Onley Fields Prison Farm** — Planning permission had been granted for the demolition of Barn and demolition of second Barn, construction of Marina comprising 550 non-residential berths.
 - 6.4 **Home Farm Willoughby** — Conversion of Barns to create 2 dwelling houses including the demolition of modern agricultural buildings. The Parish Council has raised no objections.
7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - 7.1 **WALC — ACCOUNTS**

The Parish Council has had confirmed that the correct process for listing Fixed Assets on the Balance Sheet is as carried out by the Clerk i.e. Fixed Assets, even if purchased some years ago, must be listed at purchase price and that

Fixed Assets with no known value (Le. gifted etc) should be listed at a nominal value decided by the current Parish Council

8. **8.1 Tree Preservation Orders** — Parish Council is to prepare a list with a plan of location of all trees in the village which are known to have TPO on them. Councillor M Thomas to contact Mr D Gower of Rugby Borough Council to see what trees with TPO's on them are known to them.
 - 8.2 **Village Pond** — Alternative signs making motorists aware of ducks and ducklings are to be purchased.
 - 8.3 **Playing Field** — ongoing Transfer Document being finalised.
 - 8.4 **Conservation Issues**
 - 8.4.1. **Land Outside Amenity Garden** — The Council had received a kind offer from Mrs Vessey to provide trees for planting on the verge outside the Amenity Garden. This will not be taken up, however, as a tree has already been selected and will be planted by Councillor T Thomas in the dormant period.
 - 8.4.2. **Trees — Brickhill Lane** — Council is again to remind Mr E Baker regarding the pruning back of these trees which are in some instances overhanging the road.
 - 8.5. **Highway Issues**
 - 8.5.1. **Moor Lane Brook** — Despite numerous promises the clearing out of this brook remains outstanding by Warwickshire County Council Highways.
 - 8.5.2. **A45/Longdown Lane Junction** — Councillor M Thomas has spoken to the owner of the late Miss Hobley' s farm regarding the positioning of vehicles parked on the A45 at this property which are restricting the view of traffic coming from the Daventry direction.
 - 8.5.3. **Speed Aware Sign** - The 50 mph Speed Aware Sign for traffic coming from the Dunchurch direction is at last working.
 - 8.5.4. **Four Crosses Flats** — The Council is to raise with the owners the height of the shrubs on the frontage of this property which are restricting the view of traffic coming from the Daventry direction.
 - 8.5.5. **30 mph Sign in Main Street** — Councillor M Thomas is to raise with Mr P Manhood of Warwickshire County Council Highways the replacement of the 30 mph Sign in Main Street recently knocked over and removed.
 - 8.5.6. **7.5 tonne Vehicles — Longdown Lane** County Councillor H Roberts has contacted WCC Highways and Warwickshire Police regarding the use of 7.5 tonne lorries and above using Longdown Lane as a short cut
 - 8.6 **Allotments**
 - 8.6.1. **Water Supply** — A vote of thanks was passed to the Councillors who have dug the trench for the installation of the pipework to the "Edwards" standpipe supplying water to the allotment site.

8.6.2 **Shed Base** — Councillor B Hallam to obtain a Quotation from M Board for the laying of a concrete base to accommodate the Shed kindly donated by Councillor T Thomas.

9. **Parish Village Design Statement** — The survey form has been completed and forwarded to Rugby Borough Council for comment.

10. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

10.1 **Zurich Insurance** — On the proposition of Councillor Settle seconded by Councillor T Thomas the Quotation from Zurich Insurance for 2014/2015 was accepted.

10.2 The Clerk outlined the financial position of the Council for the 2014/2015 period.

11. **URGENT BUSINESS**

11.1 **Phone Box** — A vote of thanks was recorded to all the Villagers who have painstakingly repainted the telephone box outside the Rose Inn.

11.2 **Salt bin** — The Clerk was asked to purchase a new Salt Bin from Glasdon to replace the existing one by the Pond. The new bin to be positioned on the Triangle opposite the pond.

11.3 **Shrubbery Footpath** — A vote of thanks was recorded to Councillor M Thomas for the strimming back of the vegetation on this path. Council is again to look at the removal of the Shrub at the Lower Street entrance to the Shrubbery Footpath.

12. **Date of Next Meeting** - Tuesday 10 June 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Parish Clerk.....Chairperson.....

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