

Harpole Parish Council Newsletter
Following the Ordinary Meeting held on May 14th, 2018



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Ordinary meeting 14th May

Present at the meeting were Councillors S. Eason, J. Calderwood, S. Drinkwater B. Gibbins, C. Wilkinson R. Gibbins, M. Jones, B. Justice, D. Lawrence, M. Marketis, S. Roberts and M. Jones, The Clerk, G. Ravine and three members of the Public. Councillors D. Starmer and P. Marlow sent apologies for absence.

Due to illness, The Clerk Guy Ravine was not present, Cllr Eason took the minutes

Election of Officers

Being the first meeting of the new year (2018/9) a new chair and vice chair were elected. The new Chair of the Parish Council is Cllr Colin Wilkinson and the vice chair is Cllr Maxine Jones. The council's declaration of interest register was updated and will be found on the Parish Website.

Committee Membership

The membership of the Parish Council committees and outside bodies was reviewed, A new allotments committee was formed, the members are Cllrs R Gibbins, S Drinkwater and J Calderwood. Cllr D Lawrence was appointed to the planning committee. The representatives on Outside bodies remained largely unchanged with Cllr Marketis resigning from the Old School Hall management committee and Cllr Marlow appointed to the Youth Club committee. The Clerk was re-appointed as the Responsible Finance office and the Parishes "Proper Officer" Full details will be found on the website.

Public Discussion

Mr Leslie Barras provided updated documentary evidence to the meeting about the Parking opposite the Turnpike on Northampton road. He would continue to monitor the site for the next few months during which time the Council would continue exploring options.

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Banking

The various items to be paid were agreed, and it was reported that in the route to Internet banking, Bank details of suppliers were being gathered.

Advisory groups and Committees

Mails had been received from NCC about the Closure of Carrs Way on 30th May for road repair. Cllr Jones requested a map to indicate proposed yellow lines in Carrs Way.

A Parish walk was planned for 6th June. Light no 10 was reported as Faulty. There was some discussion of the grass cutting at South view, the contractor was to be asked to cut the grass around the seat in the manner which it has been left by the NCC work along the A4500.

The Old School Hall Management group reported that the accounts would be forwarded once they had been audited. The new committee was up and running well with all the policies and procedures published both online and those appropriate in the building.

The Charities were bedding into their new ways of working and would report further later in the year.

There was discussion as to the state of weeds in the jitties, and the Council agreed to request costs for a removal scheme.

Planning Committee

The Planning committee had approved plans for 17 Carrs way and land at J16 requested plans for applications at 9 Orchard way and 6 Sandy Lane. Comments on these had been passed to SNC.

Applications for the Shell Kislingbury site on the Weedon Road, The Red Lion and land East of Sandy Lane were all Pending.

Details of the Planning Committee meetings can be found on the Parish Council Website.



Audit

The internal audit had not been completed due to the illness of the Clerk.

GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)

Cllr Lowrence agreed to get clarification of policy around paper records from the GDPR Office Danny Moody.

Accounts

The approval of the Accounts and the production of the Annual return were held over to the next meeting due to the illness of the Clerk.

Harpole in Transit

Cllr Roberts presented a report on the work and findings of the Working Party. It was agreed that that a full Parish Council Workshop would take place on 4th June in the Old School Hall. All Councillors were invited to attend.

The Council agreed that, due to the ongoing and important nature of the propositions and outcomes of this working party, it should become a full committee of the Council.

The members of this committee are: Cllrs Roberts, Jones, Marlow, Wilkinson and Lowrence.

Larkhall Way Bus Shelter

Various responses had been received from Parishioners in the area, and these would be collated and distributed for discussion at the next meeting.

CPRE

The Council agreed to support the CPRE “2 weeks to save the countryside” campaign, as this had a bearing on the proposed legislation around planning regulations in rural areas. There was discussion about how this might affect existing and future applications in Harpole.

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Future Meetings

Items for the next Ordinary meeting include:

- Bugbrooke Surgery (Report by Cllr Marketis)
- All Saints Church Roof
- Hearing Loop for Old School Hall
- Internet Banking

The next Ordinary Meeting will be on 11th June at 7.30 PM at the Old School Hall

The next Highways Committee will be on 30th April at 7.00 PM at the Old School Hall

The next Planning Meeting will be on 21st May at 7.00 PM at the Old School Hall

Website information

We try and keep the website up-to-date

NCC informed us of the road closure for Carrs way on 30th May. We duly Published this information, but they did not tell us that they had brought it forward and extended road closures in the Parish. Apologies for this.

The website received the following message:

Ian, Sue, Rosie and Harry Mockett would like to thank everyone for all their love, kindness and support following Harry's Brain tumour and Meningitis.

We feel incredibly lucky to live in such a beautiful village and caring community. We have been able to stay with Harry in Oxford over this critical period and he is feeling much better now, despite having a long journey ahead of him. Thank you once again, we really felt everyone's love and positivity and this really has lifted us up and got us through a very challenging time x