

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 22 March 2016 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Members Present: Councillors M Thomas, B Hallam, A Belgrove
A Ray, R Settle and the Clerk

Members of the Public Present: None

1. **Apologies:** Rugby Borough Councillor E Crane
2. **Declaration of Interests** - None declared
3. **Questions from the Public** – None
4. **Minutes** on the proposition of Councillor A Ray seconded by Councillor A Belgrove the minutes of the meeting on 23 February 2016 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairperson and Clerk.
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
 - 5.1 **Hedge Main Street** –The cutting back of the hedge over the footpath in Main Street is still outstanding and the Council await action by Rugby Borough Council.
 - 5.2 **Defibrillator** – The Parish Council has received grants for the installation and purchase of the Defibrillator Cabinet which are greater than the actual cost. Chairperson to contact Warwickshire County Council to establish over-payment to enable it to be refunded to them.
 - 5.3 **Clean up for the Queen** – Vote of thanks to Councillors Thomas, Belgrove, Ray and Joss Ray who carried out a clean up around the Village on 12 March. Regrettably once again the lack of volunteers made this clean up more difficult.
 - 5.4 **Verge Mowing in Village** – On the proposition of Councillor Belgrove seconded by Councillor Settle the Parish Council accepted the Quotation from WS Gardens for the mowing of the Village verges (£100 same as last year). The Council has received a grant of £639 from Rugby Borough Council towards the cost of mowing the verges.
6. **PLANNING**
 - 6.1 **R16/0601 – The White House** – Erection of a two-storey side and single storey rear extension with entrance canopy and a 2m high brick wall and close-board fencing to the south boundary. The Parish Council has raised no objections.
 - 6.2 **R16/0386 - 8 Magdalen Road** - Planning permission granted for a two storey side extension.
7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - 7.1 **Christmas Meal** – Letter and cheque received from Willoughby Charity for the Over 60's Christmas Meal.
 - 7.2 **Verge Mowing** – Letter from Rugby Borough Council advising of grant of £639 towards verge mowing in the Village (see minute 5.4)
 - 7.3 **Commemorative Medal Queen Elizabeth 11 90th Birthday** – Circular

received regarding Commemorative medals for the Queen's 90th Birthday – Clerk to establish number of children in the Village with a view to purchasing a medal for each child.

8. **8.1 Playing Field** – The Shelter in the Playing Field requires treating with wood preservative – R Vessey to be approached as to recommending a suitable preservative for Councillors to apply.

8.2. Conservation Issues

8.2.1. **Flooding** – The Village experienced flooding in the Village recently with several properties flooded where the brook burst it's banks into the back gardens hence water coming in from the back of the properties.

The Parish Council acknowledges the help of the volunteers in the Village who slowed traffic down to prevent bow waves (which can cause flooding) and help with sand bags and gel bags.

The covert opposite Old Pastures Moor Lane has been found to be blocked and Highways were involved in clearing this.

8.2.2. **7.5 Tonne Signs** – The 7.5 Tonne Sign is now in place in Longdown Lane at the junction with the A45. The Parish Council understands that efforts are underway to have a sign erected at the A361 entrance to prevent lorries coming down Longdown Lane from Barby via the Ridgeway.

8.3 **Neighbourhood Watch** – Police Report for February to be placed on Notice Board.

8.4 **Website** – Teething problems with the Website have now been resolved.

9. **Village Design Statement/Emergency Plan/Flood Action Plan**

The Parish Council has incorporated into the final draft the suggestions made by Rugby Borough Council and they have now accepted in principle this final draft.

Councillor Settle requested to obtain Quotations for the printing of: -

200 copies – Village Design Statement

200 copies – Emergency Plan

200 copies – Flood Action Plan

10. **FINANCE REPORT**

On the proposition of Councillor Belgrove seconded by Councillor Ray the following payments were approved:

WS Gardens	£270.00
Thomas of Flecknoe	£ 67.20
B Ogle (Defibrillator installation)	£ 45.11
Village Hall Hire	£ 80.00
E.ON Electricity	£131.70
Clerks ½ Year Salary & Expenses	£1048.75

On the proposition of Councillor Ray seconded by Councillor Settle the following grants were approved:

Citizens Advice Bureau	£100.00
WPCC	£1650.00
Air Ambulance	£100.00
Village Hall	£450.00
Willoughby Challenge	£ 80.00

11. **Urgent Business**
 - 11.1 **Village Hall** – Clerk asked to raise with the Village Hall Committee concerns over the use of Cameras in the Hall when being hired.
12. **Date of the Next Meeting** - Tuesday 10 May 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. .

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

Date