



**OLD  
PARISH  
COUNCIL**

Chairman: Colin Smart Clerk: Lorna McGoldrick

**Minutes of the Meeting of Old Parish Council**

Held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019, in the Community Centre, Townson Close, Old at **7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs C Smart (Chairman), R. Bury, S. Gohil, S. Haughney

In attendance: Parish Clerk, Lorna McGoldrick and 3 members of the public

- 1/9/19 **Resolution to approve apologies for absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr Beckett (holiday), Cllr Moore (previous commitment).
- 2/9/19 **Public Session:** Residents of Cherry Hill, Lyn Pilley and Ruth Greenfield attended to discuss the Recycling Initiative and the newly formed residents Group ROAR, ('Reduce, Reuse & Recycle – Old & Around'). They are seeking the support of the Parish Council to progress this initiative. The siting of the bins is of particular importance and to ensure noise is kept to a minimum residents are being asked to use bins between 8am and 10pm. The bins are emptied monthly. A letter from ROAR to residents was handed to Council, outlining the scheme and that they are seeking permission to site the bins on the central green at Cherry Hill. ROAR has received support from DDC. Cllr Smart has received a letter of objection to this initiative.
- Lyn Pilley offered to maintain the flower box at Lamport Road the Council accepted this offer. Ms. Pilley also asked if one of the planters could be moved to a more suitable location and Cllr Smart agreed to move it.
- 3/9/19 **Reports from District and County Councillors:** None received
- 4/9/19 **Review of Registrable Interests:** No changes received
- 5/9/19 **Minutes:** Council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and they were signed by the Chairman.
- 6/9/19 **Councillor Vacancy:** Following resignation of Cllrs Robson & Grant it was **RESOLVED** to advertise 2 Casual Vacancy.  
**ACTION:** Clerk to speak with DDC Electoral Officer and arrange advertising.
- 7/9/19 **Speaking at Council Meetings:** The Council **RESOLVED** to approve that if attending the Public Session Parishioners should be encouraged to register their intention to do so to the Clerk by mail, or email: oldparishcouncil@gmail.com by 12 noon on the day of the meeting and may speak for a maximum of 3 minutes/at the Chairman's discretion
- 8/9/19 **Planning:** No new planning applications received
- 9/9/19 **ROSPA Safety Report:** The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Report. Items identified within the report at medium risk were discussed and **ACTION** points raised agreed as follows:

**ACTION 1:** Cllr Smart agreed to install the bird snaps on the swings and file off the offending bolt on the gate.

**ACTION 2:** The fence, which required repair, has now partially burnt down. Clerk to establish whether the Parish Council is responsible for repairing the fence and liaise with the resident.

10/9/19 **Playground Safety Inspection:** No Report was received.

**ACTION:** Clerk to progress outstanding Reports

11/9/19 **Community Defibrillator:** Cllr Bury provided the Clerk with the EMAS template record of Inspections carried out to date for the archived records. There were no advisories. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Report.

12/9/19 **Mobile Speed Camera:** Cllr Gohil advised that the Speed Camera is not working although the batteries appear to be charging. The supplier TWM Transport has been contacted and he is awaiting a response.

**ACTION:** Cllr Gohil to contact TWM

13/9/19 **Policy Review:** Council **RESOLVED** to approve Records Retention Policy.

**ACTION:** Clerk to implement this policy.

14/9/19 **Street Light Replacement:** The Western Power Inventory of the Street Lights was circulated to all Cllrs. 2 Quotes for replacing the current lamps have been sought however it was **RESOLVED** to obtain further quotes.

E.on have been advised of the street light outages No's 32 & 34

**ACTION:** Clerk to report outages to E.on and to obtain further lighting quotations

15/9/19 **Village Tidy:** It was **RESOLVED** that the Village Tidy will take place on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

**ACTION:** Cllr Bury agreed to put together a flyer for the event to be published on the Website and the noticeboard.

**ACTION:** Cllr Smart will arrange the litter picking equipment.

16/9/19 **Matters Arising not otherwise on the Agenda, from minutes of 10<sup>th</sup> July 2019:**

The Parish Council have agreed that they will provide information to residents and a notice will be placed on the noticeboard and the website as to the process of reporting offences via DDC.

Cllr Bury requested that the reports from representatives of Charities, Highways and Neighbourhood Watch be included in future Parish Council Agendas, so noted.

17/9/19 **Finance and Administration:**

a) **Payments:** Council **RESOLVED** to approve payments listed in Appendix 1.

b) **Bank Mandate:** It was agreed to update the list of current signatories.

c) **Financial Statements:** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Balance at the bank of £14,600.96 on 1 August 2019 and Reconciliation of Receipts and Payments to 1 August, 2019. (circulated)

**ACTION:** Clerk to obtain a list of the current bank signatories.

18/9/19 Council **RESOLVED** that all suppliers and contacts should be advised of change of address to Townson Close, Old NN6 9RR

**ACTION:** Clerk to notify.

19/9/19 **Review of Correspondence:** No comments.

20/9/19 **Training/Meetings attendance:**

- I. Clerk to attend Northants CALC AGM Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Oct.
  - II. Council **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would attend NCALC New Clerks course.
  - III. Clerk to organize booklets 'The Good Councillors Guide' from NCALC for all Cllrs.
- ACTIONS:** Clerk to make reservations and collect booklets from NCALC.

21/9/19 **Date of next Meeting:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**Meeting Closed at 8.50pm**

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**Chairman**

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Appendix 1

Date	Payee	Detail	Chq No.	Amount Ex. Vat	Vat	Total chq Amount
10/07/19	Safety Signs4less	Colin Smart	966	£11.85	£2.37	£14.22
17/07/19	SWALEC		Direct Debit			£177.28
02/09/19	Maximow	Grass Cutting	967	£821.26	0	£821.26
02/09/19	ROSPA	Safety Inspection	968	£395.00	£79.00	£474.00