

# NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL



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## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016

**Present:**

Cllr R Hatton (Chair), Cllr K Rogers, Cllr J Small, Cllr F Flower, Cllr T Stapleton, Cllr J Hobbs, MK Ward Cllr D Hosking, RFO S Bushnell, Clerk P Reynolds-Nunn, 8 members of the public

<b>Item 1</b> 01/03/16	<b>Apologies:</b> MK Ward Cllrs K McLean & P Geary, apologies accepted.
<b>Item 2</b> 01/03/16	<b>Declarations of interest:</b> None at present.
<b>Item 3.</b> 01/03/16	<b>The Minutes</b> of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2016 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.
<b>Item 4</b> 01/03/16	<b>Scan Reporter:</b> Cllr Small agreed to action the SCAN report this month.
<b>Item 5.</b> 01/03/16	<b>Planning:</b> <b>Cranfield developments:-</b> Cllr Hatton had written to Helen Fudge of Hallam Land Management regarding Cranfield developments and asked to be kept informed of any planning application; The PC can then request a traffic management plan before we can move forward. 16/00188/FUL: - 19 High Street, small extension at back, no adverse comments on the application, although the clerk was asked to clarify access for the builders.
<b>Item 6</b> 01/03/16	<b>Ward Councillor's Report:</b> Ward Cllr Hosking reported on the budget which had been passed in February, reporting a 3.95% rise to the council tax. He was pleased to report some good news, one of which was the Kitchener Centre in Olney, this will be retained, as will the sheltered housing warden service. Pink sacks will remain for at least twelve months, when a review of the waste and recycling strategy will take place.

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The closure of some play areas has also been dropped. Also saved are the green bins which are to remain free of charge.  
 Cllr Hosking mentioned the property of 10 Bryans Crescent, which is likely to be sold and the monies reinvested to other areas; the Parish Council should be consulted. It was suggested we contact Jane Reid of housing in the first instance. However we are not certain it is unoccupied so Cllr Hatton agreed to investigate by door knocking first. She will keep Cllr Hosking informed.

PLAN: MK:- Again the public are urged to make their own comments before the deadline of 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 and not leave it solely to the Parish Council.

It was resolved to have an information meeting in April or May to explain what's going on thus far. All the information is, however, on the Milton Keynes Council website and in the monthly Postbox magazine, as well as in SCAN.

Cllr Hatton is still trying to have Chequers Lane re-surfaced and has recently sent more photos to MKC showing puddles in the potholes. Cllr Hosking asked to be copied in any correspondence.

Cllrs Stapleton and Hatton attended a meeting at MKC offices regarding a Neighbourhood Plan for North Crawley. The Parish Council agreed this should begin as soon as possible; It needs to include a separate committee which includes residents as well as a Parish Councillor. It is extremely important for the village that this goes ahead and volunteers are urgently needed to get this up and running. It would help if some of the committee had experience as a solicitor, planner, website or business consultant. It takes time and money to get it active but will give us more control regarding any new developments.

There is a meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> March in the Olney Centre where Phil Ayles from Castlethorpe Council will be talking about planning and the MKExpansion issues.

**Item 7.**  
01/03/16

**FINANCE REPORT – 1 March 2016**

**RECEIPTS:**

RECEIVED FROM	AMOUNT	CHQ/CASH	DETAILS
H W Mason and Sons	£100.00	Cheque	Monument fee in Garden of Rest – Suzanne Birt
Buckinghamshire Association of Local Councils	£1114.60	Cheque	Transparency Fund award re setting up PC website

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	<p><b>PAYMENTS:</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="432 264 1401 714"> <thead> <tr> <th>PAYEE</th> <th>AMOUNT</th> <th>CHEQUE</th> <th>DETAILS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>RTM Landscapes Ltd</td> <td>£210.00</td> <td>101835</td> <td>Crownlift of 2 x plane trees in Nixeys Walk</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P Reynolds Nunn</td> <td>£88.60</td> <td>101836</td> <td>Telephone/Internet and travelling expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R Hatton</td> <td>£29.99</td> <td>101837</td> <td>Reimbursement for printer toner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>O Rose</td> <td>£120.00</td> <td>101838</td> <td>Pruning tree and shrubs on High Street near Nixeys Walk</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Anglian Water</td> <td>£11.70</td> <td>Direct debit</td> <td>Cemetery water 25.11.15 to 22.2.16</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>CHURCHYARD MATTERS</b></p> <p>The late Suzanne Birt – £100 Monument Fee paid for Garden of Rest Area 2 Plot 20. It was noted that the Interment had not yet been arranged and Interment Fee and Exclusive Rights fees would be paid prior to interment. Concerning the clearing and tidying in the cemetery, Cllr Flower will ask Richard Martin to give a week’s notice before the work is carried out.</p> <p>Regarding the setting up of the new website, RFO Sheila is going to Bournemouth for training next week to set it up; she asked all Councillors if they were happy to have their names and telephone numbers on there, it was decided landline numbers would be acceptable rather than mobiles. The RFO will be adding a link for other organisations such as the IMC, Cricket Club, Bowls Club, WI, etc. so that it will be a community website</p>	PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE	DETAILS	RTM Landscapes Ltd	£210.00	101835	Crownlift of 2 x plane trees in Nixeys Walk	P Reynolds Nunn	£88.60	101836	Telephone/Internet and travelling expenses	R Hatton	£29.99	101837	Reimbursement for printer toner	O Rose	£120.00	101838	Pruning tree and shrubs on High Street near Nixeys Walk	Anglian Water	£11.70	Direct debit	Cemetery water 25.11.15 to 22.2.16
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<p><b>Item 8</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Parish Council Vacancies</b> So far we have no nominees and are looking for two new Councillors now that Cllr Flower has left.</p>																								
<p><b>Item 9</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Queen’s birthday celebrations:</b> The date suggested was Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016. It was felt that this should not be left to the Parish Council to organise and other clubs are invited to help organise. A picnic has been mentioned (weather permitting) followed by a party in the Institute in the evening, as with the Jubilee Celebrations it would be a bring your own food and drink evening with suitable musical entertainment. The Institute would be decorated and a note will be put in SCAN asking for suggestions.</p>																								
<p><b>Item 10.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Criminal Damage in the village:</b> Cllr Hobbs reported a car parked outside the Cock pub one evening which had three tyres slashed; the police are aware of it. We request all residents to be vigilant and report anything suspicious to the police on 101. The concern is of a person or persons walking round the village carrying a knife or knives.</p>																								

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<p><b>Item 11.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Vacancy for NAG/SIDS (Speed Indicator Device) Operator.</b> Matthew Rose had agreed to take over this task from David Hunt. The data from David was still concerning and the police have, once again, been made aware of speeding through the village.</p>
<p><b>Item 12.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Projector equipment:</b> Cllr Rogers reported that he has chosen a suitable projector for the Parish Council to own for meetings. The cost is between £300 and £350 which we have secured by the generosity of our Ward Cllrs from their Ward Budget. Our thanks to them for this donation. . Cllr Stapleton donated and brought along a laptop for our use so thanks also go to him. Cllr Rogers offered to set the projector up for our next meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2016.</p>
<p><b>Item 13.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Consultations with other bodies:</b> Cllrs Hatton and Stapleton had attended a meeting in MK Council Offices, as reported in Item 6.</p>
<p><b>Item 14.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Residential Safety:</b> <b>Highways:</b> Cllr Hatton has been writing to Adrian Carden of MKC regarding the issues at Chequers Lane and the extra bollards needed in the High Street thanks to cars driving along the pavements. . This is still pending due primarily to lack of MKC funds. However, she will continue to chase until it is resolved to a satisfactory conclusion. <b>Landscape:</b> Nothing to report <b>Lighting:</b> Nothing to report.</p>
<p><b>Item 15.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Councillors Items:</b> Cllr Flower reported that the Institute car park seems to be visited by a few young people congregating in cars dropping gas canisters and other rubbish, thereby making the car park untidy. It was suggested to dial 101 or contact the PCSO at Newport Pagnell. He has observed quite a lot of Rights of Way on the Plan MK documents. Cllr Hobbs reported that North Crawley Gun Club, who area aware of the noise for the village when they are shooting, would like to donate approximately £100 to some organization in the village. The Parish Council agreed the donation should go to the church. Cllr Hobbs will contact Malcolm Rose, the Church Warden. Cllr Hatton mentioned that to enter this year’s “Best kept village” competition was not a good idea as the village is not looking its best. She also gave notice that she would be leaving the Parish Council in May this year after the AGM.</p>

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<p><b>Item 16.</b> 01/03/16</p>	<p><b>Questions from Residents:-</b> Chris Barrie reported that both she and Betty Feasey would be giving up SCAN in May 2016, thereby giving two months' notice.</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.03pm. All were thanked for their attendance.</p> <p><u>The date and time of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall</u></p>

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