

# NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES FOR THE FIRST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7/15

Held on Tuesday 12th May 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

### Present:

Cllr R Hatton (Chair), Cllr F Flower, Cllr D Hunt (Vice Chair), Cllr K Rogers, Cllr T Stapleton, Cllr J Small, Cllr J Hobbs, RFO S Bushnell, Clerk P Reynolds-Nunn, 4 members of the public

<b>Item 1</b> 12/05/15	<b>Election of Chairman</b> Cllr Hatton stepped down from committee whilst nominations were received for the position of Chair Person. She was proposed by Cllr Flower, seconded Cllr Small, all others in favour. Clerk asked for any further nominations but none were forthcoming therefore Cllr Hatton was welcomed back to the Chair for the next year; she thanked the Parish Council and was thanked in return.
<b>Item 2</b> 12/05/15	<b>Election of Vice-Chair</b> Cllr Hunt was nominated by Cllr Hatton, seconded by Cllr Rogers, all others in favour. No other nominations were present therefore Cllr Hunt was elected for the forthcoming year. He accepted and was thanked.
<b>Item 3.</b> 12/05/15	<b>Apologies: None.</b>
<b>Item 4</b> 12/05/15	<b>Declarations of interest:</b> None at present.
<b>Item 5.</b> 12/05/15	<b>The Minutes</b> of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th April 2015 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.
<b>Item 6</b> 12/05/15	<b>Scan Reporter:</b> Cllr Hatton agreed to action the SCAN report this month.
<b>Item 7.</b> 12/05/15	<b>Planning:</b> 15/00107/FUL:- 1 Bryans Crescent, North Crawley – change of use from amenity land to garden, remove existing garden wall and erect double garage with flat roof. The Parish Council had concerns with this, Clerk was asked to contact Planning Department regarding these issues.
<b>Item 8</b> 12/05/15	<b>Consultations with other bodies:-</b> None this month.
<b>Item 9</b> 12/05/15	<b>Councillor's Reports:-</b> <b>Residential Safety:</b> The pavement issues have now been resolved and works will take place in August. The Parish Council regret any obvious inconvenience to businesses whilst these take place but it

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is hoped it will be kept to a minimum and be well worth it in the end. We hope to install heritage bollards at the same time as the pavement work to deter vehicles from mounting the pavement as they have been doing which is so dangerous to pedestrians especially the children.

Cllr Hatton has spoken to Steve Lain and Phil Sears of MK Council regarding the problems with cars parking on pavement and also the concern for cars coming out of Chequers Lane unable to have clear vision due to cars parking either side of the entrance to the lane to stop cars parking on the corners. It was resolved this would help to deter people, but generally felt to wait until the pavements and bollards have been done and then re-assess the situation.

Cllrs Flower and Stapleton have been looking into the amount of bollards required and the best position for them. Firstly we need to have discussions with MKC Highways Department, as to where to install them, secondly we would notify residents via SCAN of our intentions.

Highways:  
Resurfacing due in Gog Lane and Chicheley Road as reported earlier.

Landscape:  
It was reported that the Parish Council are very pleased with the grass cutting which is now with new Landscape Gardeners.

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**FINANCE REPORT – 12 May 2015**

**RECEIPTS:**

RECEIVED FROM	AMOUNT	CHQ/CASH	DETAILS
	£11.00	Cash	Sale of North Crawley map
H W Mason and Sons	£200.00	Cheque	Memorial fee in Garden of Rest Plot 15
Milton Keynes Council	£6,646.21	Direct credit	Precept – first instalment

**PAYMENTS:**

PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE	DETAILS
Broker Network Limited	£581.31	101790	Insurance premium to 31.5.16
Rialtas Business Solutions Limited	£133.20	101791	Annual fee for Alpha finance software
BALC	£113.64	101792	2015/16 subscription
RTM Landscapes Limited	£591.98	101793	Grounds maintenance – April 2015
P Reynolds-Nunn	£57.70	101794	Travelling and internet expenses; reimbursement for ink cartridge
NR and P Brightman	£1,596.00	101795	2 x oak notice boards for Institute and outside St Firmin's church

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**CHURCHYARD MATTERS**

The late Christopher Collins – £200 double memorial fee received and the installation of the memorial in the Garden of Rest (Plot 15) was approved.

RFO S Bushnell has been asked to clarify our rules of the churchyard regarding reserving burial plots for non residents of North Crawley even if they have connections with the village, e.g. family buried here. It is agreed this is a very sensitive subject and all were asked to think about this carefully so that a decision can be made at the next meeting.

	<p>She would also like to liaise with Mr Roy Mason to identify the space left and number the plots, which was considered a good idea.</p> <p>Cllr Stapleton has been researching additional space for burial ground as we have limited plots left. He has contacted Mr A Boswell regarding extending the graveyard and agreed to pursue a course of action. Also, there is a possibility we could use some of the allotment area in townland, Charities Commission are prepared to talk to us concerning this idea which looks positive, and final option would be to re-use the front of the churchyard which is perhaps not the best option, although maybe we could use it to scatter ashes under the tree/s.</p> <p>Cllr Hatton noticed a pile of rubbish and earth in the corner which looks a mess; Masons agreed to clear it regularly which seems not to be happening and people are placing dead flowers on the heap instead of in the three bins in situ. This will be discussed further at the next meeting</p>
<p><b>Item 15</b> 12/05/15</p>	<p><b>Councillor,s Items:-</b></p> <p>In the recent elections, we were all asked to vote for a CMK Development Plan which confused most people; it is confirmed that North Crawley is unaffected as the relevant area is CMK.</p> <p>A resident asked if lights under a tree on the drive leading to Myrtle Cottage were placed there by the Parish Council as this is not a private driveway. The Parish Council did not put the lights there.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to write to Nissan regarding the vehicles that speed through the village during rush hour time ie morning and evening, stating that we are taking registration numbers and will involve the police if not stopped.</p> <p>She was also requested to check if planning permission has been obtained for an extension being erected in Brook End.</p> <p>It was requested/suggested that the report from the Chair be included in SCAN.</p> <p>Cllr Rogers is pursuing a new website for the Parish Council. Hugo Fox is excellent but we need a web address, therefore Cllrs Hobbs and Rogers will liaise with John Kane concerning this.</p> <p>Cllr Rogers also mentioned the ongoing issue of the property in Brooke End in respect of traffic damaging part of the drive. Unfortunately this is not something the Parish Council has any jurisdiction over and the Clerk will advise the resident to contact MKC Highways Dept. who should be able to advise him as to the best way forward.</p>
<p><b>Item 16</b> 12/05/15</p>	<p><b>Questions from Residents:</b></p> <p>A resident asked about having the bump outside the Institute repainted with white paint as it is worn off and people are tripping over as they don't notice the bump on the floor. Cllr Flower offered to deal with this.</p> <p>A resident expressed pleasure at having the pot holes repaired, particularly the dangerous one in Brook End.</p>
<p><b>Item 17</b> 12/05/15</p>	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting confirmed as 2nd June 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall</b></p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.27pm. All were thanked for their attendance and support.</p>