

NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 14th April 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr R Hatton (Chair), Cllr D Hunt (Vice Chair), Cllr J Small, Cllr K Rogers, Cllr T Stapleton, Cllr F Flower, Cllr J Hobbs, MK Ward Councillors Keith McLean, David Hosking and Peter Geary, Mike Hainge, Service Director, Public Realms Service Group, Steve Lain, Team Leader, Public Realm Service Group, both from MK Council, RFO S Bushnell, Clerk P Reynolds-Nunn, 1 member of the public.

Item 1. 14/04/15	Apologies: None.
Item 2. 14/04/15	Declarations of interest: Cllr R Hatton & Cllr T Stapleton both declared an interest in different planning issues.
Item 3 14/04/15	The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 rd March 2015 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting, as were minutes of the special EGM held on 16 th March 2015.
Item 4. 14/04/15	Scan Reporter: Cllr Flower agreed to action the SCAN report this month.
Item 5. 14/04/15	Residential Safety: Mike Hainge - Service Director. Public Realm Services Group together with Steve Lain, Team Leader PRSG spoke to us following the extraordinary meeting held on 16 th March 2015 regarding the pavements in the High Street. They passed around drawings in respect of alterations to needed to remedy the situation and assured us that it will be as originally agreed. However, the original kerbstones have, unfortunately, been disposed of. There will be a total resurface in a colour suitable to the Parish Council, instead of the dense black colour which was installed in error, the kerbstones will be rougher and more in keeping with a conservation area and at a height of between 85 and 95 ml; the concrete channels will be removed and the water will be allowed to run off the pavement as the prepared drawings showed. Cllr Hatton asked when the works would be started, Steve Lain said he would need to look at other works which were due to start. The Parish Council asked that it be done during the summer holidays, if at all possible, to ensure we do not have, due to the late start of the previous works, a repeat of the chaos with cars, school coaches and children crossing the road. It is also the intention to erect heritage style bollards at the same time for minimum disruption. These are something the Parish Council have requested to ensure cars are aware of crossing points and to avoid traffic issues for coaches by cars parking in inappropriate

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places along the High Street.
 It was mentioned that the white lines have been done in Folly Lane, thanks were expressed for this. It was requested to deal with the pot holes in Brook End and Chicheley Road as soon as possible, also Chequers lane.
 Mike Hainge apologised to the Parish Council for the inconvenience regarding the awful pavements and stated that it should never have gone this far unchecked; Cllr Hatton had tried several times without success to persuade MK Council to look into it earlier, although it now looks like we have a positive result. Mike was sincerely thanked for all his input, meetings, etc, as were all three of our Ward Councillors who have worked tirelessly to help us achieve this result, also thanks go to Steve Lain and Rob Ward.

Item 6.
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Ward Councillor's Reports:

This was obviously a busy time with elections going on.
 Cllr David Hosking reported that MK Council have agreed a new 10 year programme for highways, which includes North Crawley this year, in fact quite soon. Chicheley Road will be resurfaced from Griggs Piece to Gog Lane, also Chicheley Hill; Gog Lane will be resurfaced also and he explained that although it doesn't look too bad at present there is a logic that to resurface it now could save a bigger expense in the future.
 Cllr Hatton reported that in fact Chequers Lane was more in need of repair than Gog Lane so Cllr Peter Geary will speak to Rob Ward and Andy Dickinson, of the highways team, MK Council, and ask them to look into this.
 There was no definite update on Ousedale School this month.
 The Clerk was asked to write to Mark Bennett, Clerk of Works, asking if they could keep the area tidier this time when they work on Chicheley Road; last time there was soil and debris left piled up on verges after they had completed the work and left; this made it difficult for the farmer to keep the verges tidy and it took several times of complaining before it was removed.

Item 7:
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FINANCE REPORT
7 April 2015

RECEIPTS:

RECEIVED FROM	AMOUNT	CHQ/CASH	DETAILS
	£11.00	Cash	Sale of North Crawley map
H W Mason and Sons	£500.00	Cheque	Interment fee and Exclusive Rights fee – Garden of Rest Plot 15
Milton Keynes Council	£505.45	Direct credit	50% Parish Partnership Grant towards improvements at The Ford, Broadmead
H W Mason and Sons	£325.00	Cheque	Interment fee and Exclusive Rights fee – Plot number 3/191

PAYMENTS:

PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE	DETAILS
G Martin and Sons	£864.00	101785	Work carried out at the Ford, Broadmead
P Reynolds-Nunn	£72.32	101786	Telephone/Internet and travelling expenses

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Milton Keynes Education Trust	£8.46	101787	Photocopies
Sage (UK) Limited	£2.17	Direct debit	Payroll software – monthly charge (part March)
Anglian Water	£11.70	Direct debit	Churchyard water charges 25 Nov 2014 to 23 Feb 2015
		101788	Cheque cancelled
M E Chilton	£205.50	101789	Bin emptying to 31.3.15

CHURCHYARD MATTERS

The late Christopher Collins – The interment of the cremated remains in Plot 15 in the Garden of Remembrance was noted. The interment was scheduled to take place on 9 July 2015. The Exclusive Right of Burial was also approved and Certificate Number 180 was signed.

The late William Charles Maslin – The interment in Grave number 3/191 was noted. The Exclusive Right of Burial was approved and Certificate Number 181 was signed.

RFO Bushnell had produced a new table of Cemetery fees relating to St.Firmin’s Churchyard with effect from 1st April 2015, which will be kept on file. The rules of the cemetery were again discussed. It is generally felt that we should give priority to villagers in the first instance due to the small amount of plots we have left. We also discussed obtaining more land, therefore Cllr Stapleton will contact Alexander Boswell to enquire about the possibility; Cllr Small agreed to contact United Charities about the possibility of burial ground at Town Land allotments. This will be further discussed next month.

We are still in the process of obtaining a quote for the cleaning of the war memorial. The clerk will contact MK Community Funding to enquire if funding would be available for this.

Item 8. 14/04/15	Map Notice Boards for Church and Institute: Now completed.
Item 9. 14/04/15	Ford Update: Cllr Hatton reported that this is now completed and looking really nice; the bench is in situ and several compliments had been received which is always appreciated; the siting of a bin there has been decided against for various reasons.
Item 10. 14/04/15	NAG Report: Cllr Hunt reported that the “smiley face indicators” (SIDS) are up and running and seem to be having an effect on speeding; however he is having problems with the calibration which is not accurate. He was thanked for his continuing work on this project.
Item 11. 14/04/15	Consultations with other bodies: Nothing to report.

<p>Item 12. 14/04/15</p>	<p>Councillor's Reports:</p> <p><u>Landscape:</u> Cllr Hatton had received a program of dates from our contractor which is impressive; the work carried out so far is very acceptable.</p> <p>Cllr Flower reported that the problem with the recreation ground not draining is still evident. It was discussed and agreed that it is needed to install inspection chambers every 50 metres to identify the problem, then it would be possible to “jet” the drains and hopefully clear them. This is an ongoing problem and it was agreed it needs to be dealt with as soon as possible. Richard Martin will be asked for a quote to install the inspection chambers. Update next month.</p> <p><u>Highways:</u> Nothing to report</p>
<p>Item 13. 14/04/15</p>	<p>Councillor's Items:</p> <p>Cllr Flower reported that the IMC has two new recruits. There will be a clearing out of the store room on the morning of 9th May 2015 if anyone would like to help.</p> <p>Cllr Hatton reported that there are a particular family in Kilpin Green who speed around the green in their vehicles mounting the pavements and generally causing danger to others; she would like a piece to be included in SCAN asking them to please slow down before a child is knocked down and killed, as children are playing on scooters and bikes, it is an accident waiting to happen.</p> <p>She also said that we need to install a notice on the waste ground stating that the Parish Council is not responsible for any damage.</p> <p>The Crossing Patrol Officer is complaining of cars parking by the bus stop in the way of the school bus. This could be mothers of children to be picked up. The suggestions were yellow lines or more bollards, do we want either of these? This will be considered and discussed next month.</p> <p>Cllr Flower is looking into a new website as the previous one was not successful. He had a couple of possibilities as did RFO Bushnell, therefore Cllr Rogers offered to look into them with a view to finding a suitable one. This will be discussed again next month after his research.</p>
<p>Item 14. 14/04/15</p>	<p>Questions from the public:</p> <p>No questions from the public.</p>

Date and time of next meeting confirmed as 12th May 2015 to include the AGM at the earlier time of 6.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm, all were thanked for their attendance and support.

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