

NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 7th November 2017

11/17

Present:

Cllr J Small (Chair), Cllr L MacLennan, Cllr J Sandall, Cllr L Fryer, MK Ward Cllr P Geary , RFO S Bushnell, Clerk P Reynolds-Nunn, 6 members of the public .

Item 1. 07/11/17	Apologies for absence: Cllr G Magee, Cllr E Potts (now resigned), PCSO Arlene Ormston, MK Ward Cllrs K McLean and D Hosking, apologies accepted.
Item 2. 07/11/17	Declarations of interest: None
Item 3. 07/11/17	Approval of minutes: The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 rd October 2017 were agreed and signed as a true record of that meeting.
Item 4. 07/11/17	Scan Reporter: Cllr L Fryer agreed to action the SCAN report this month
Item 5. 07/11/17	Planning: 17/02400/FUL – change of use of land from agricultural to residential (garden) at 12 Brook End. A letter from a concerned resident pointed out that there were existing drainage issues on the road at Brook End which this proposal may add to. The PC were requested to contact MKC to ascertain what problems they consider have been dealt with and what issues they believe remain. Clerk to contact MKC Highways/Drainage Department. 17/02701/FUL – extension at 7 High Street. This was objected to on the grounds that a proposed new window in the existing ensuite bathroom, not part of the extension, will open directly on to a neighbour’s garden and look into bedroom windows, greatly reducing their privacy. 17/02780/FUL – new detached dwelling on land adjacent to 4 Chicheley Rd. This was objected to because of the size, scale and mass of the proposed dwelling, also the impact on the street scene, which would

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	change the character of the rural setting, also the parking issue, as the parking space is very small. Clerk was asked to confirm with MKC that this conforms to their parking standard.								
Item 6. 07/11/17	Neighbourhood Plan update . Cllr Magee had prepared a report which was relayed by Cllr Sandall. Following interviews and discussions a consultant had been chosen at a cost of £7000 for the duration of the project. The steering group continue to work on the plan to ensure that it is the one created and wanted by residents but expert assistance will be needed to draw up the document in case it is legally challenged by developers in the future. To cover the fees of the consultant and other project costs a grant will be applied for from MK Council. Thanks go to Gary, James and the entire team for their continued hard work.								
Item 7. 07/11/17	Neighbourhood Watch/ PCSO Report: No neighbourhood watch update in Arlene's absence. However, she forwarded a report mentioning several crimes during the year - 3 burglaries, 1 act of criminal damage and one road traffic collision. She asked for all residents to be vigilant and is happy to visit anyone wanting help with a free home security assessment. Criminals are stealing gold jewellery, safes if not fixed securely, bicycles from garages, tools from vans, etc. She suggests we register our bicycles with www.bikeregister.com to hopefully trace them if handed in, and to find a good hiding place for valuables in the home in case of a burglary. .								
Item 8. 07/11/17	Ward Councillor's Report: Ringcroft Farm: Cllr Geary advised that a notice has been served on the proprietors who must now appeal or apply for planning permission for change of land use within the next six months. Plan:MK: now in the final stage of consultation; our comments must be in by 20 th December 2017 so we must put our response together over the next few weeks. This will take in the possibility of 5,300 homes being built east of the M1 if the government will fund the necessary £70 million for infrastructure which would include the expansion of junction 14 and another new bridge over the motorway. Developers are promoting an industrial site on Chicheley Hill to the left of the small road which runs from Chicheley roundabout down to Newport Pagnell; it will be very visible and quite large, covering 80-90 acres, and with extra traffic created not at all desirable. We will comment as to why it is not suitable.								
Item 9. 07/11/17	FINANCE REPORT – 7 November 2017 RECEIPTS: <table border="1" data-bbox="432 1883 1401 2029"> <thead> <tr> <th>RECEIVED FROM</th> <th>AMOUNT</th> <th>CHQ/CASH</th> <th>DETAILS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>H W Mason and Sons</td> <td>£140.00</td> <td>Cheque</td> <td>Additional Inscription fee – Sibyl Harrison</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	RECEIVED FROM	AMOUNT	CHQ/CASH	DETAILS	H W Mason and Sons	£140.00	Cheque	Additional Inscription fee – Sibyl Harrison
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	<p>this to meet legal requirements.</p> <p>She also asked the clerk to chase Central Beds Council regarding a traffic management plan for the contractors heavy goods vehicles as they have been passing through the village from the new developments at Cranfield. Cllr Sandall advised that David Swanson had been very helpful in securing the security smart water kits recently; several parishes clubbed together to meet the a minimum order of 20</p> <p>He went on to suggest that the Parish Council set up its own identity for social media purposes as so many others have done. For example, when posting on the community facebook page it would come from North Crawley Parish Council rather than the name of an individual. After a short discussion all agreed that this would be beneficial.</p> <p>Cllr Small had been contacted about an unpassable footpath at the ford. She has asked Oli Rose to action this for us at his earliest convenience.</p> <p>-Cllr Small also advised that a decision must be reached regarding the issue of some trees in Nixey's Walk which had been ongoing for some weeks due to differing opinions of Councillors. It was resolved that owing to the great cost of the work (required to allow more light into a residents property), which it was felt would not be fair use of public money since it did not benefit the community as a whole, the clerk would write to the resident concerned to ask whether they would be prepared to contribute half of the cost.</p>
<p>.Item 14. 07/11/17</p>	<p>Questions from the public:</p> <p>A resident mentioned the public meeting at Cranfield University this week on Thursday and Friday regarding the very large development proposed there. Some Councillors agreed to attend one/some of the meetings.</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.00pm..</p> <p><u>The date and time of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 5th December 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.</u></p>

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