

NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 5th December 2017

12/17

Present:

Cllr J Small (Chair), Cllr L MacLennan, Cllr J Sandall, Cllr L Fryer, MK Ward Cllrs P Geary and D Hosking, RFO S Bushnell, Clerk P Reynolds-Nunn, 8 members of the public .

The meeting was delayed this evening for fifteen minutes due to a presentation to the parish council from Wai-Kit Cheung from Turnberry regarding the Air Park proposal at Cranfield, over running.

Item 1. 05/12/17	Apologies for absence: Cllr G Magee, MK Ward Cllr K McLean, PCSO Arlene Ormston, apologies accepted.
Item 2. 05/12/17	Ward Councillor’s Report: This was brought forward to allow the ward councillors to attend other meetings. Cllr Geary suggested we put the MK budget on our next agenda. He talked about the appeal for 78 houses in Chicheley Road, comments must be sent via post (3 copies), full details in Item 5. Planning. The proposed Air Park was discussed at length following a presentation which Cllr MacLennan had kindly arranged with the developers/consultants; there are many worrying issues, the main one being the extra traffic estimated through our village at all hours. Plan:MK: we must comment by 20 th December 2017 so we need to put our response together very soon. Ward Cllr Hosking reminded us of the Olney Ward Forum meeting tomorrow night and mentioned it was important to have a representative to attend as there will be two officers talking about finance and budget; this is short notice as clerk had not been informed of this meeting this time.
Item 3. 05/12/17	Declarations of interest: None
Item 4.	Approval of minutes:

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05/12/17	<p>The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th November 2017 were unable to be signed as a true record of that meeting. Clerk had omitted to minute the following report:-</p> <p>Following a report in SCAN in September 2017, and concern raised over issues mentioned, Cllrs Fryer and MacLennan had visited Mr Graham and Gary and Tracy at the Chequers Inn to introduce themselves and have a chat; they recognized the need to address any issues as they arise in the future; the parish council are keen to work with villagers and to improve the image that some people have of us.</p> <p><i>This item should have been included in Item 13, Councillor's Items.</i></p>
Item 5. 05/12/17	<p>Scan Reporter: Cllr J Small agreed to action the SCAN report this month</p>
Item 6. 05/12/17	<p>Planning: 17/01141/OUT – appeal against refusal for outline application for residential development of 76 dwelling houses, with approval of access: This was discussed and will be objected to as the original application. The deadline is 25th December 2017 and residents are encouraged, if they wish to comment, to write to the Planning Inspectorate, 3/15 Eagle Wing, Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN, sending 3 copies of their letter via the post. Anyone who originally objected will have been written to with this information.</p> <p>17/03055/FUL – proposal of 3 storey side and front extension with window alterations, at 47 High Street, North Crawley – concern was expressed at the size and mass of this proposal. It was mentioned that it may be intended for business use. The change of use is not applied for at present but could be in the future. Clerk was asked to confirm this with the planning officer before a decision is made for comment.</p> <p>CB17/02719 -Wharley End, Cranfield – had been declined. Air Park proposal, Cranfield University – this outline planning application is due to be submitted later this month so we need to be vigilant to comment on this, our biggest concern being the extra traffic predicted.</p>
Item 7. 05/12/17	<p>Neighbourhood Plan update . Cllr Magee had prepared a brief note relayed by Cllr Sandall. A consultant, Sam Dix, has been employed at a cost of £7000 for the duration of the project. He has promised to work closely with the team and attend all their meetings. The ultimate aim is to create a plan to ensure that it is the one wanted by residents. To cover the fees of the consultant and other project costs a grant has been awarded from MK Council. As a result of the questionnaires, the group information is now published in a report for all. It will be put on our website and it is on the Neighbourhood Plan Facebook page. Further progress is expected early in the new year. Thanks go to Gary, James and the entire team for their continued hard work.</p>
Item 8. 05/12/17	<p>Neighbourhood Watch/ PCSO Report: Arlene had sent a short report in her absence. It is unlikely she can get to our meetings in future as it clashes with her rest days. She asked for Neighbourhood Plan to be taken off the agenda due to lack of interest</p>

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	although she will approach people in the village regarding this. She is happy for anyone to contact her and/or meet up if we have any issues, and asked to be kept informed of our meetings via the minutes.																
Item 9. 05/12/17	<p>FINANCE REPORT – 5 December 2017</p> <p>PAYMENTS:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>PAYEE</th> <th>AMOUNT</th> <th>CHEQUE</th> <th>DETAILS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sage UK</td> <td>£7.20</td> <td>DDEBIT</td> <td>Payroll software – December 2017</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Small</td> <td>£32.00</td> <td>101948</td> <td>Reimbursement for poppy wreath</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Society of Local Council Clerks</td> <td>£59.00</td> <td>101949</td> <td>Annual subscription from January 2018</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: Payments include VAT where appropriate</p> <p>RFO Bushnell had obtained a few recommendations for an alternative internal auditor from other parish councils; it was agreed she contacts them to gain more information and quotes.</p> <p>She reminded us that we needed to have a councillors meeting shortly before the parish council meeting in January 2018 to discuss the budget for next year and to determine the amount of precept to apply for from MK Council.</p> <p>She would like to attend a course on 31st January 2018 at a cost of £75 for a full day. This will cover the new GDPR which comes in force May 2018, making sure the parish council is compliant. All councillors agreed it is important that she attend if possible and authorised the cost of the course.</p>	PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE	DETAILS	Sage UK	£7.20	DDEBIT	Payroll software – December 2017	J Small	£32.00	101948	Reimbursement for poppy wreath	Society of Local Council Clerks	£59.00	101949	Annual subscription from January 2018
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Item 10. 05/12/17	<p>CHURCHYARD MATTERS</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>																
Item 11. 05/12/17	<p>Consultations with other bodies:</p> <p>No meetings had been attended this month..</p>																
Item 12. 05/12/17	<p>Residential safety:</p> <p>Highways: Nothing to report.</p> <p>Landscape: The outstanding issue of the trees in Nixey’s Walk is under investigation with further quotes being obtained.</p>																
Item 13. 05/12/17	<p>Councillor’s Items:</p> <p>Cllr Magee had written to ask permission to use the village green outside the Cock Inn for the charity event this Sunday 10th December 2017. This was agreed unanimously and it is hoped for a good turn out and a fun day for all.</p> <p>Cllr Fryer agreed to look into the issue of a traffic management plan for the extra heavy traffic coming through the village from the Cranfield sites. Clerk had contacted Central Beds Council to no avail.</p>																

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	<p>A letter had been received about dog waste in the MUGA which is not only disgusting but very dangerous to children.</p> <p>It was also mentioned that the fence was badly damaged at the far corner of the recreation ground and needs replacing. A new post has been erected recently so this will be looked into and resolved.</p> <p>Cllr MacLennan offered to walk around the recreation ground to identify problems.</p> <p>We had received a letter expressing concern over speeding along Gog Lane which is ridiculous as a one track road, asking if we could put a note out to people about excessive speed around blind bends. This has been a constant problem for many years. It will be investigated if heavy lorries could be banned from this narrow road. Unfortunately, some people will always speed whatever we do to stop them.</p>
<p>Item 14. 05/12/17</p>	<p>Questions from the public:</p> <p>A resident who is concerned about speeding in Folly Lane asked if there was a possibility of having Truvella strips installed on the road at a cost of £150 to the parish council; this was agreed therefore clerk was asked to contact Arlene, our PCSO and highways department, MK Council with a view to getting this done asap.</p> <p>Clerk was reminded to confirm the landlord at the Cock Inn had public liability insurance to cover the xmas event this Sunday, and to send us a copy for file.</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 8.50pm.</p> <p><u>The date and time of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.</u></p>

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