

WHISSENDINE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd April 2017
In the Village Hall, Whissendine

Present

Mr W. Farr (Chairman)

Mr. R Comber Mr. T Edmunds
Dr. S Lammin Mrs. C. Moss
Mrs. P Lake Mrs L. Arnold
Mr. D. Hatton

In attendance

Mrs Elaine Everington - Parish Clerk
Mrs N. McCluskey (Editor of the Whissendine Grapevine)
Mrs J.A. Millington

12859: Apologies for absence: Mr. K. Thomas sent his apologies.

12860: Declaration of Pecuniary Interest: None received

12861: To approve the minutes of meetings:

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th March 2017.
These were approved without amendment on proposal by Mr D. Hatton.

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council AGM meeting held on 22ND March 2017.
These were approved without amendment on proposal of Mr D. Hatton

12862: Ongoing business not scheduled anywhere else on the agenda:

Mrs McCluskey (Editor of the Grapevine Magazine) delivered an update on the work she has carried out to gain improvements to the presentation and cost of the current Magazine.

The software used by the current printer is over 25 years old and has constraints.

Mrs McCluskey has been looking at other printers in order to compare costs and quality of the printing, as below:

Impressions (current printer) annual cost £4,500, monthly cost £375 (black and white)

Think Digital: (Oakham) annual cost £3,300, monthly cost £275 (black and white) the entire edition in colour annual cost £4,320, monthly £360.

PNP Printers: Annual cost £2,124, monthly £177, plus to print outer pages in colour with the rest in black and white, £213 monthly, £2,556 annually.

A new printer could start from May if approved by the Parish Council..

The Parish Councillors will discuss this and decide if they are in agreement with the proposals, at the next meeting in May.

Mrs Jo-Ann Millington is now co-opted to the office of Member of the Whissendine Parish Council.
This appointment was proposed by Dr. S. Lammin and seconded by Mr Will Farr..

Mrs Pat Lake represented the Parish Council at the meeting in Oakham, dedicated to celebrate the 20 years of Independence of Rutland being a County in its own right.

The Clerk will obtain further details of purchasing a seat for the Village Green with a plaque engraved to mark the 20th anniversary of Rutland becoming an independent County (1996-2016).

Also, a plaque will be placed on the Bridge on the Banks in recognition of the Queens 90th birthday on the official date of 2nd June 2016.

12863:Planning matters:

2017/0189/FUL: 25-27 Stapleford Road, Whissendine: Proposal: Demolition of existing extension and proposed new two storey rear extension.

The Councillors put forward the following objections: The plan is not in keeping with the surrounding buildings, the rear of the property overlooks footpaths and the windows do not match the existing windows.

The proposed changes do not comply with the Village Design Statement

2017/0138/FUL: 29 Fox Hill, Whissendine: Proposal to remove 2mt x 0.8mt door and bricking in opening.
No comment to be offered.

2017/0236/FUL: 27 Melton Road, Whissendine: Proposal: A two storey side and a single storey rear extension.
No comment to be offered.

Planning matters cont:

2017/0167/FUL: 19 Hall Close, Whissendine:: Proposal: Orangery extension at First Floor: Insertion of 2 new Roof Lights
No comment to be offered.

2017/0181/FUL: The Three Horseshoes, 66 Main Street, Whissendine, Oakham, Rutland LE15 7ET.

An Extension -rebuild of building structure to the rear of the old Three Horseshoes pub to update it as a dwelling.

The Councillors put forward the following objections:

The extension is a re- build and is a revised application as the previous was withdrawn.

The height of the front wall is overly imposing on residents.

The extended front terrace is not in keeping with the Street scene.

No planning updates

12864: Report on the Grapevine: The Clerk had nothing to add to the update delivered by Mrs McCluskey.

12865: The Banks:

a) The maintenance of the Banks has been taken up by Farm & Garden Ltd. and this commenced from 1st of April. This will include dealing with the overgrowth of grass and silt affecting the stream.

b) The Notice Boards & Maps. A conversation took place regarding the current notice board/maps which need to be updated with the present Clerks' contact details. Owing to the structure of the casing for the maps and condensation being apparent inside the casing, action needs to take place to repair/replace the maps.

Mr. D. Hatton put forward the option of replacing the current maps while Mr. T. Edmunds will take a look at the existing casing/maps and report back with his recommendations.

12866: Highways/Village Maintenance:

A discussion took place regarding the over growth of bushes on the junction between Sherrard Close and Stapleford Road. This has been reported and Rutland County Council Highways and Maintenance has confirmed they will deal it. The Clerk has taken an action to follow this up again.

12867: Financial business:

The Clerk distributed an update of the current position and requested approval for the following invoices/payments:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Cheque</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Impressions, Printing:	100884	397.00
Farm & Garden:	100885.	578.57
The Caretaker	100886	(personal information)
Office Expenses (The Clerk)	100887	13.96
The Village Hall (room rent)	100890	48.75
LRALC Membership	100891	310.78
Mrs P. Lake Expenses	100892	19.99

12868: Correspondence:

Letters received:

1. Mrs Jean Penny wrote to the Parish Councillors regarding a presentation from Mr Sean Thuis at the A.G.M, regarding the benefits of Defibrillators. At the time, Dr Andrew Moyce made the point that there should be the opportunities in the Village for training in C.P.R. techniques as this should be more of a priority.

2. A letter has been received from Mr Anthony Tullet, treasurer for the Whissendine Village Hall, acknowledging the kind gift of £1,000 from the Parish Council to contribute towards the cost of refurbishment of the Village Hall.

3. A letter from Mr Brian Maunders, representing Neighbourhood Watch, to thank the Parish Council for their generous gift of £300, received in December 2016, which will be put to very good use for the benefit of the Village.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7:15pm on 8th May in the Village Hall.