

WHISSENDINE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5th June 2017
In the Village Hall, Whissendine

Present

Mr W. Farr (Chairman)

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

In attendance : Mrs. E. Everington – Parish Clerk

12881: Apologies for absence: Mr. K. Thomas and Mrs. J. A. Millington sent their apologies.

12882: Declaration of Pecuniary Interest: None received

12883: To approve the minutes of meetings:

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th May 2017.

These were approved without amendment on proposal of Dr. S. Lammin.

12884: Ongoing business:

A resident in the village, Mr E. Richardson, raised an issue regarding a broken tree branch hanging over his property. Following efforts by the Clerk to ask Rutland County Council to take responsibility for this, it turned out the tree was not on land owned by them.

In order to resolve this issue, the Parish Council instructed Dalby Tree Care to remove the branch and this work has now been carried out.

The bench for the village green: the pads have now been installed as a base for the bench and the Clerk will liaise with Gates Garden Centre to deliver the bench, along with engraved plaques for both the bench and the bridge.

12885: Reports from Councillors:

Owing to ever increasing workloads and the amount of time he now needs to spend away from the Village, Mr Kevin Thomas has resigned from the post as Ward Councillor.

The Parish Councillors send their thanks and best wishes to Kevin, for all his hard work and support to the Village.

Councillor, Mrs Pat Lake attended a meeting with the Whissendine Environment Group.
A Village Hall meeting took place and the minutes will follow.

12886: Planning matters:

2017/0393/FUL: 8 Foxhill, Whissendine, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 7HP.

Proposal: Side extension to increase the size of the existing dining room.

No comment to be offered.

2017/0248/FUL: 26 Hall Close, Whissendine, Oakham, Rutland LE15 7HN.

Proposal: Extension to existing porch and storage space. Porch will increase from 1.62m to 2.92m (sqd).

No comment offered

12887: A Report on the Grapevine:

Mrs Nicki McCluskey put forward a detailed quote by printers, PNP, Church Lane, Bisbrooke, Uppingham.

This includes the cover page, outer and inner, to be in colour, the lead time: 3 working days and the magazines will be bundled as requested to help with distribution.

The cost is £213, around 50% less than the current price.

The Councillors gave their approval to instruct PNP and agreed that Mrs McCluskey will manage the handover.

The Clerk will write to Impressions, the current printer, to pass on the Parish Councils thanks for all the hard work and support over the years.

12888: The Banks:

The maintenance work being carried out by Farm & Garden is going well.

The Clerk has taken an action to ascertain when the agreed action to lay bark under the swings will be carried out. Also, there is a broken post on the stile in the children's play area and a bush needs to be cut back.

Councillor, Tim Edmunds confirmed, he had managed to update one of the maps on the Banks with the correct contact details of the Clerk.

12889: Highways/Village Maintenance:

The potholes in the village road, next to Stoop Cottage, are getting worse. Also a drain on Station Road, near to the post box, is flooding.

Further concerns were voiced regarding the "hole" in the hedge at the top of Sherrard Close where the lifting mechanism in the dog gate is broken, where dogs can run out onto the road.

The Clerk will go back to Rutland Council to stress these concerns.

12890: Financial Business :

The Clerk issued a summary of the financial position at the end of May and requested approval of the following invoices/payments.:

Approval for the payment of invoices: - the following were approved:

| Payee | Cheque | Amount |
|---------------------|--------|----------|
| Gates Garden Centre | 100898 | 483.00 |
| Lammin & White | 100899 | 210.00 |
| Farm & Garden | 100900 | 228.00 |
| Whissendine V. Hall | 100901 | 65.00 |
| Rutland C.C. | 100902 | 2415.16 |
| Biffa | 100903 | 389.50 |
| Impressions | 100904 | 439.00 |
| D. Billsdon | 100905 | Personal |
| Whissendine P.C.C. | 100906 | 900.00 |

12891: Correspondence:

A letter has been received, from Ann Maddison, Treasurer of the Sports Club, confirming the Club is in the process of moving forward with the application to gain status as a charity and they are arranging for committee members to talk with a solicitor.

They have requested financial support with costs, from the Parish Council. The Clerk will respond to ascertain the amount of the costs, as the funds available have been capped.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 17th July at 7:15pm when the audit will be discussed.

As there is no meeting in August, the following meeting will be held at 7:15pm on Monday 4th September.