

**WHISSENDINE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd September 2018**  
**In the Village Hall, Whissendine**

Present Mr W. Farr (Chairman)  
  
Mr. R. Comber, Mrs. L. Arnold, Mrs P Lake  
Mr. D. Hatton, Mr T. Edmunds

In attendance: Mrs. E. Everington - Parish Clerk

Also in attendance: Rutland County Councillor Ian Arnold  
Dr S Lammin observer and minute-taker

The Chairman opened the meeting at 19:21 hours

13024: Questions or comment from members of the public:  
No members of the public in attendance.

13025: Apologies for absence: Mrs C. Moss

13026: Notifications of Resignation  
Following the meeting on 16 July 2018 Dr S Lammin offered her resignation as a parish councillor. The position has been advertised and Whissendine Parish Council may co-opt a replacement should they wish.

Mrs Everington has decided to withdraw from the role of Parish Clerk from the end of September. Sue Lammin will voluntarily undertake these duties of Parish Clerk until a suitable employee can be appointed.

13027: Declaration of Pecuniary: None received

13028: To approve the minutes of meeting on 16 July 2018:  
The minutes were approved without amendment, proposed by Mr Hatton, seconded Mrs Arnold

13029 Report of the Grapevine working group.  
The report was circulated and published with the agenda. It was AGREED that the recommendations be accepted and that Gary Marsh who had volunteered to edit the Grapevine be invited to take over the role from the October edition.

**ACTION:** The honorary clerk to contact both Gary and the person who had offered a contractual arrangement to advise both of the decision.

13030: Reports from Councillors:  
Rutland County Cllr. Ian Arnold was reported that:  
the Finger-post at the Oakham Road/Stapleford Rd/ Main Street intersection has been repaired and replaced. It was noted the repair has shortened the fingers and the distances are no longer displayed.

The public footpaths around the village are having stiles replaced with kissing-gates.

The Rutland Flyer bus has been reinstated and Corby Railway Station has been added as an additional stop on the route.

The reinstatement of the historic postbox at the Stapleford Road/Melton Road end of the village is still being pursued.

The defibrillator project is progressing. One is now operational and located in the old phone box. The others, at the Sports Club and St Mary's Church have yet to be installed. It was noted that permits from the Church authorities may take a while. The funding to deliver this project has been secured from: The charity 'Community Heartbeat', Whissendine6 committee, Melton Round Table and the Parish Council.

Rutland County Council is in receipt of a complaint of alleged breach of planning conditions associated with a permission granted for a development within the village and will be investigating.

Rutland County Council has issued a new document associated with the Rutland Local Plan Review, an additional sites consultation. The consultation closes at 16.45 hrs on 24 September 2018. This document includes 2 additional sites in Whissendine: WHI11- 0.48ha off Melton Road and WHI12 3.52ha off Pickwell Lane.

A discussion ensued and it was AGREED that Whissendine Parish Council would respond to the consultation. WHI11 is adjacent and similar to sites already commented on. WHI12 is of significant area and the Parish Council will provide comments on the site, in a similar way as they had to the sites WHI1 to WHI10.

#### 13031: Planning matters:

##### a) New applications

2018/0737/FUL: 15 Stapleford Rd proposal for single storey double garage and relatives' room - no comments to be offered to RCC.

2018/0776/FUL: Former Three Horseshoes PH, 66 Main St retrospective application for demolition and proposal for redesign of development with ancillary building and car port to the rear of the site - no comments to be offered to RCC.

##### b) Planning decision notification from RCC

Permission has been granted for alteration of front bay window at 87 Main Street.

#### 13032: The Banks/ Village Maintenance:

The contract is working as intended for maintenance of The Banks.

It was noted that the pothole in Ashwell Road has been marked up by RCC but has yet to be filled.

It was noted that the verge outside the church, left as a meadow environment, has now died back and needs cutting.

ACTION the honorary clerk to see that signs around the Banks are amended to show up to date contact details for the Parish Clerk.

ACTION the honorary clerk to contact the contractors to see if the cutting schedule for the verge outside the church needs amending so it is trimmed when it has died back.

ACTION the honorary clerk to see whether the Churchyard at St Mary's fits the definition of a 'closed churchyard' and advise WPC of her findings.

#### 13033: Financial Business:

The necessary document was signed to allow the new honorary clerk to arrange with the parish council's bankers for her to manage the accounts.

Payment details for September :

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Village Hall room rental	£81.25
Legal advice.	£66.00
Banks maintenance.	£216.00
General maintenance.	£52.50

It was noted a cheque for £59.99 issued in 2017 has not been drawn against...it has therefore been cancelled.

Precept implications from RCC policy changes:

On 23 August 2018 the parish council were notified that from 2019/20 Rutland County Council will be recovering costs associated with the election process from the Parish Council. These additional costs will need to be factored in when the 2019/20 precept is set in December. Estimated costs have been provided by RCC as a guide. If the parish council election in May 2019 is uncontested the cost to the parish council could be around £317.69; if contested the cost will go up and could be around £1509.91.

ACTION the honorary clerk to bring the information about election costs to the meeting prior to the precept request being sent to RCC in January 2019.

ACTION the honorary clerk to contact the committee admin team at RCC to have the issue of electoral recharges included on the Agenda of RCC's Parish Forum meeting in December 2018 for debate.

#### 13034: Ongoing Business not included elsewhere on the agenda:

Whissendine Craft and Produce Show, 1 September 2018: The committee has thanked the parish council for their support. The parish council were pleased to note the success of this year's show.

Former editor of Grapevine magazine: Nicki thanked the parish council for the gift of flowers sent in appreciation of her efforts in producing the magazine.

Common land: it has been confirmed by RCC that the only common land on their register is the village green.

ACTION the honorary clerk is to discover the process by which errors (omissions) in the register of common land may be remedied.

Remembering the WW1 fallen: Cynthia Moss is leading on this. The artwork depicting the portrait of each man with connections to Whissendine known to have died as a result of their military service in WW1 is being finalised. It is intended each portrait will be displayed in the street nearest to the address associated with the man during his life, where discovered. Cynthia will provide an update at the October meeting.

13003: Correspondence: None outstanding.

Meeting closed 20.25 hrs.

The next meeting of the Whissendine Parish Council will be held on Monday 1st October 2018.

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