

Minutes from Parish Council Meeting

Monday 4 August 2014

Present - Andrew Alsop, Peter Biggs, Louis Prat, Graham Newman, Mark Fitzhugh, Sally Ann Longworth and Sandra Ashford

Apologies - Abigail Campbell, Alan Mawer, Pete Morgan - Hannah Smith did not turn up

1 minute silence was observed as a mark of respect for the anniversary of 100 years since WW1 started

Minutes of the last meeting approved by Peter Biggs, seconded by Louis Prat

No members of the public attended.

Malcolm Longley did not attend

Abigail's report - need to get it e-mailed to you

No one had received any information re the bus stop placement so this is to be added to the September agenda for discussion then.

Andrew read out letter sent to Chairman of DDC Planning

Sandra and Peter are going to meeting re planning of Old Road at Daventry

Finance Report - Any news on grants for Skatepark? - Approved by Louis and seconded by Graham

Dog Notice - Mr Knight from Daventry District Council visited Andrew at his home to discuss Dog warden issue. Wardens will be available for a 2 hour slot anytime between Dawn and Dusk and we can tell them what is the best time to visit the village. They can issue on the spot fines. They will also send letters on people's behalf if they let them know who the perpetrators are. If on the spot fines are not paid then they will be sent to court, there have been four convictions recently. Also Mr Knight was replacing all the spray cans for the dog fouling with biodegradable ones as the ones previously were not.

Parish Councillors can be trained so that they then have the powers to issue on the spot fines re dog fouling. This will be talked about at next meeting.

Highways

2 Lay-bys flooded in Welton Road

There is a block drain by Church which is running into recently renovated barns

Gullies in Barby Road blocked

Pot hole on Spinney Hill still not fixed

A lady reported that the pavements where she lives on Welton Road from her house to the bus stop up the hill is so bad she has nearly been tipped out of her wheelchair

Jettyfields - Report to be obtained from Andrew

Neighbourhood Plans - to be obtained from Alan Mawer

Playing Fields

Decent water now provided to Pavillion after hose pipe was replaced with correct pipe. The annual inspection brought up a concern about weeds growing round equipment

Laser Quest was very popular

14th September is next family day

A brick barbecue is to be built

Village Hall

Sandra reported that Alan Dent had asked someone to get a quote for the car park and a height bar. He was then going to approach the Lottery Committee with detailed quotes for their consideration.

Also Sandra asked them had they considered getting wi-fi for the village hall so that they could market the library out to businesses for conferences etc. but they said that it was not cost effective. However the Parish Council this this should be re-visited, proposed by Peter Biggs and seconded by Sally Ann Longworth

Graham and Mark sent their apologies for being absent from next meeting.

Sandra to do her bio for October BVN

Meeting closed at 8.35.