# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: John Cooper (in the chair), Martin Byrne and Rob Hill

APOLOGIES: Lee Savidge;

David Hughes (Cherwell District Council), Tim Hallchurch (OCC)

**ALSO PRESENT**: Dick Tracey (SCAS)

The meeting started with a short period of silence to recognise the substantial input Neil Thompson had made to village and Parish Council life, and whose death was announced on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2015.

#### 58. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

#### 59. Presentation from South Central Ambulance Services

Dick Tracey attended to give a presentation to the Parish on Community based defibrillators. South central Ambulance Services are hoping to support 500 communities in 2015 with a view to raising the survival rate from a "heart attack" to 60% because of the availability of defibrillator assistance within 10 minutes of the event occurring. He displayed the defibrillator to the meeting and confirmed the cost as:

£841 (unless grant is obtained from the British Heart Foundation, when it is £400.00)

Casing £540.00+VAT

Annual electricity (for battery storage) £30.00

The casing has a key pad entry, which is available from the Ambulance service once a call has been made.

Training for up to 12 people would be provided by SCAS as part of the purchase package.

# 60. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the informal meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2015 were agreed.

# 61. Matters discussed at earlier meetings

The Clerk advised that Sanctuary Housing have indicated that they do not believe that the ditch at Buchanan Court is part of their property. However a resident confirmed that Buchanan Court had not yet been adopted by OCC.

The drain in Ploughley Road has been repaired.

The Parish Council would like to buy a mobile flashing speed sign. The Clerk was asked to make some enquiries.

# 62. Highway and Footpath matters

Nothing new.

#### 63. Motocross

No current issues.

#### 64. SSE Resilience Fund

The Parish Council would like to make an application to the fund for support. The Clerk was asked to prepare an application and circulate it for comment before submission on 25<sup>th</sup> September.

### 65. Planning Applications

15/01454/out

Outline development of 5 dwellings at the Tally Ho Inn Ploughley Road

The Parish Council expressed concerns that the proposal was an overdevelopment of the site. If the proposal is to proceed the Council would want planning conditions to ensure that sufficient parking was available for all the site uses on the site and that neither vehicles at the property or delivery vehicles would not park on the Ploughley Road itself.

They would also want further controls to ensure that no access to any existing property was blocked while a function at the Tally Ho was taking place.

# **66. Planning Decisions**

15/00266/Disc Discharge of conditions Graven Hill – approved.

#### 67. Finance

The current financial position of the Parish Council is as follows:-

# Less payments

| Date   | Payee        | Reason       | Cheque Number | Amount |
|--------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------|
| 4/8/15 | Mr F Milloy  | Cleaning     | 101363        | 140    |
|        | Mrs A Davies | ICO          | 101365        | 35     |
| 4/8/15 |              | Registration |               |        |
|        | Mr M         | Grass        | 101366        | 380    |
| 4/8/15 | Dempsey      | cutting      |               |        |
|        | P J Harrison | War          | 101367        | 3280   |
|        |              | memorial     |               |        |
| 4/8/15 |              | groundwork   |               |        |
|        |              | War          | 101368        | 2400   |
| 4/8/15 |              | Memorial     |               |        |
|        |              |              |               |        |

Total payments £6235.00

# Current Balance £94777.09

Cheques were signed as follows:-

Mr F Milloy - £140

Mr M Brogden – (garage doors) - £895.00

Came and company (Insurance) - £1981.78

Councillors will consider whether they want to move their bank account to Unity Trust Bank plc, and complete the application form if appropriate.

# 68. Village Hall

Regular bookings are returning and a new trustee to the VHC has been appointed. It was agreed that the Parish Council needed to consider appointing a caretaker to ensure that small items of maintenance were maintained, give access as necessary and report on major issues to the VHC.

After discussion it was agreed that, subject to the agreement of Print Run, the Council would erect a plaque commemorating Neil Thompson on the wall of Print Run, overlooking the new Memorial Garden. The Chairman agreed to raise the issue with the company.

#### 69. War Memorial

Haywards memorials will be carrying out the work, and the Portland stone for the monument has been ordered. The Council now need to consider options to safeguard the site from traffic on the Murcott Road.

# 70. Correspondence

The Council noted the new Cherwell Core Strategy – a hard copy of which is available from the Clerk.

# 71. Public Participation

- The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council has ordered wreathes for the Remembrance event.
- It was reported that the Village fete raised about £1083 gross with a likely profit of about £860.00 after deduction of expenses etc and including some donations. About 716 raffle tickets were sold.
- Concerns were raised about the new bus stops in Ambrosden Road that are placed in such a position that traffic cannot overtake busses which are stopped at these stops.
- The Clerk was asked to raise with OCC (Tim Hallchurch) concerns that there are rumours that London Road in Bicester will not be reopened.

The closure of this road is also causing problems for residents visiting the doctor's surgery at Nightingale Place, as the re routed S5 means that the journey now requires a bus to Bicester and a long walk from the centre of the town. I would be possible for the S5 service to be rerouted past the surgery and save the inconvenience to residents.

# 72. Any Other Business

The Clerk was asked to ask Bardwell FC what they use to mark their pitch, and also to ask whether they now have a girls team training on a Tuesday evening?

It was reported that there has been an increase in the amount of litter left on the playing field.

All Councillors were asked to look for new Parish Councillors to be appointed to the Parish Council.

# 73. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

Chairman

# **Action register**

| Date   | Action  | Who by |
|--------|---|--------|
| 4/8/15 | Advise OCC of location for speed survey               | AD     |
| 7/7/15 | Agree locations of dog bins                           | MB/LS  |
| 1/9/15 | Ask sanctuary to reconsider ditch                     | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Make enquiries about BHF defibrillator grant          | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Investigate mobile "slow down" flashing sign          | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Ask CDC about ownership of Constables croft open land | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Refer questions to Bardwell                           | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Raise concerns about London Rd with Tim Hallchurch    | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Look for caretaker for VH                             | JC     |
| 1/9/15 | Permission from Printrun for plaque                   | JC     |
| 1/9/15 | Apply for Resilience Grant                            | AD     |
| 1/9/15 | Respond to CDC re planning                            | AD     |