

# NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Clerk: Mrs S M Bushnell, 3 Folly Lane, North Crawley, Newport Pagnell, MK16 9LN (01234 391501)

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 5 February 2019 at 7.30 pm

<b>Present:</b>	Parish Councillors: J Sandall (in the Chair), R Hatton and G Magee Clerk and RFO S M Bushnell Ward Councillor D Hosking PCSO C1018 Arlene Ormston and Greig Mottram (Special Constable) 8 members of the public	ACTION
01/02/2019	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Parish Councillors L Maclennan and J Stellitano Ward Councillors K Maclean and P Geary	
02/02/2019	<b>Membership of Parish Council</b> A first draft of a leaflet had been produced.	JSt
03/02/2019	<b>Declarations of Interests:</b> None	
04/02/2019	<b>Approval of Minutes:</b> The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8 January 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.	
	<b>Matters Arising:</b>	
05/02/2019	<b>Minute 05/01/2019 – MK Play Association:</b> Cllr Magee reported that he had looked at the details of the grants available from the Bucks Playing Fields Association and had noticed that the main purpose was for the improvement of recreation ground facilities. It was thought therefore that an application towards the cost of MK Play Association sessions might not be successful. He asked the Clerk to let him know the amount in the budget next year for play sessions. He agreed to liaise with Cllr Hatton over the play sessions as she had a contact at the Play Association.	GM  Clerk
06/02/2019	<b>Minute 06/01/2019 - 16/01099/FUL and 17/01338/DISCO – site at the junction of Chicheley Road and Gog Lane, Little Crawley:</b> Nothing further was reported on this matter.	
07/02/2019	<b>Minute 07/01/2019 - Ring Croft Farm:</b> It was reported that CLUE 18/02977 Ring Croft Farm Certificate of Lawfulness for the continued use of land as D2 and residential, D2 use of	

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	storage/meeting building, clubhouse and bar and siting of mobile home had been rejected. Ward Cllr Hosking also reported that MKC considered that the tennis courts and floodlights were contrary to MK planning policy and there was therefore justification for proceeding with enforcement action to remove them. The enforcement notice would therefore be issued in due course.	
08/02/2019	<b>Minute 08/01/2019 - Control of Dogs:</b> Cllr Sandall showed details of some dog bins, costing around £80, which had space incorporated in them for the storage of bags. Discussion took place as to whether the provision of bags would make a lot of difference to the problem. Dog owners were either responsible or they were not. Would the minority who were irresponsible actually take a bag and then walk back to the bin to dispose of it? It was agreed to keep this as an option but in the meantime the Clerk would investigate signage which could be displayed stating that dogs should be on a lead and that owners must clear up after them.	Clerk
09/02/2019	<b>Minute 09/01/2019 Landscape:</b> The Clerk had contacted RTM Landscapes who had confirmed that the tree stump had been cut to as low as possible when felling as otherwise there was a risk of the chainsaw hitting the ground. This particular tree stump could be a trip hazard but was actually lower than two other stumps on Kilpin Green. RTM gave a quote of £75 for one stump or £180 for three stumps to include grinding out the stump, topsoiling and reseeding. It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain a second quote from Oli Rose.	Clerk
10/02/2019	<b>Minute 20/01/2019 Highways</b> Cllr Hatton had contacted MKC about the humps along the North Crawley Road and had received email confirmation that this would be rectified in March. The progress on this would be monitored.	RH
11/02/2019	<b>Minute 21/01/2019 Rural Paths:</b> Cllr Hatton had contacted MKC about access over the ditch in Gog Lane and had received confirmation that discussions were taking place with the owners as to the best solution. The progress on this would be monitored.	RH
12/02/2019	<b>Minute 22/01/2019 Bend by Ring Croft Farm:</b> Cllr Hatton had contacted MKC about this matter and had received email confirmation that work to rectify this was already being planned. The progress on this would be monitored.	RH
13/02/2019	<b>Update from PCSO Arlene Ormston:</b> Arlene Ormston introduced Greig Mottram who was one of two special constables recently appointed to work in the rural area. Greig worked at weekends and would be seen around the village. He had been trained in the use of speed guns and would be grateful to be told the prime locations and times for these to be used. As far as crime figures were concerned, there had been nothing in North Crawley since	

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	<p>November. However, in other villages there had been a theft of heating oil, theft of car number plates and arson in Astwood. Poachers had been caught in North Crawley and there had been fly tipping in Moulsoe. Some stolen caravans had recently been recovered but it was not yet known if these were the ones stolen from Little Crawley.</p> <p>TVP had confirmed that it was not a village responsibility to purchase ANPR cameras. These would be provided by TVP and used in Lavendon, North Crawley and Moulsoe at appropriate times.</p> <p>It was stressed that residents should never open doors if they were unsure of the person who was there. There was also a current scam where potential burglars, purporting to be estate agents, were calling at houses for sale, gaining entry and looking around. The next Olney Ward Community Forum would be held on 13 February and a notice would be sent round for the website and Facebook page. This meeting was open to anyone to attend to bring up any topics or concerns and was attended by senior police officers.</p>	
14/02/2019	<p><b>Planning:</b> There were currently no new planning applications.</p>	
15/02/2019	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan:</b> Cllr Sandall reported that the plan had now been published by MKC and was in a consultation period of six weeks until Friday 8 March 2019. An Examiner would then be looking at it to consider whether the Plan met the Basic Conditions and whether it could go to a local referendum. During the consultation period, residents and others could make comments on it. The full version of the plan was on the Parish Council and MKC websites. Cllr Sandall asked residents to let the Parish Council know if they wished to see a hard copy of the plan and one would be provided for them.</p> <p>A resident asked about the rationale behind increasing the area of land for development into Crouches field. He was advised to email the Clerk who would pass his question on to the planning consultant for an explanation.</p>	
16/02/2019	<p><b>Ward Councillor's Report:</b> Cllr Hosking reported that the Olney Ward Councillors were continuing to oppose the Housing Infrastructure Fund Bid. Recent traffic modelling had shown that current roads were over-capacity. He thought that the first bid had been rejected by the government and expected to see the second bid next month.</p> <p>MKC had set a balanced budget with less savings to be made than the previous year. Council tax would be increased by 3% which was the maximum increase allowed without having to hold a referendum.</p> <p>As far as the Tickford Fields Farm development of 900 houses at the end of North Crawley Road was concerned, he stressed that the Parish Council should make their views known as soon as the</p>	

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	<p>planning application was submitted. He asked whether any residents had experienced difficulties in obtaining new supplies of recycling bags. Cllr Hatton mentioned the situation over the 11 streetlights that were not working – some of them for many months. She was asked to email MKC about this matter again and to copy in the Olney Ward Councillors. Cllr Hosking suggested that some assistance for the MK Play Association sessions might be available from the Ward Budget. The Clerk was asked to email Cllr Maclean about this.</p>	<p>RH  Clerk</p>																																				
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<p>18/02/2019</p>	<p><b>Churchyard Matters:</b></p> <p>The late Mario Pirolo – Exclusive Right of Burial fee received for Garden of Rest Plot 2/23. Grant of Exclusive Right certificate number 194 was approved and signed. The late Mario Pirolo – Memorial application for Garden of Rest plot 2/23 was approved. The late Joan Adams – Interment fee received for Garden of Rest plot 1/11.</p> <p><b>Site Visit:</b> It was agreed that a site visit would be held in the Churchyard to ascertain any maintenance issues that were required. The Clerk agreed to organise this.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>																																				
<p>19/02/2019</p>	<p><b>Councillors' Items – Highways:</b> Cllr Sandall reported that two potholes had been marked for mending but two others nearby had not. There were also two potholes near Wellies. A drain was also blocked outside 9 High Street. These matters would be taken up with MKC.</p>	<p>JS/RH</p>																																				

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20/02/2019	<b>Councillors' Items – Planning:</b> Tickford Fields Farm development was currently in a consultation period and it was noted that comments would be sent when a planning application was submitted. However, it was decided that a comment would be sent now about the need for a Traffic Management Plan to be in place. It was agreed that a letter would be drafted for the Clerk to send out.	JS/RH
21/02/2019	<b>Councillors' Items – Planning:</b> Cllr Hatton reported that a representative from the school had requested permission for a banner to be erected in the High Street to make people aware of the school. It was agreed that more details were needed from the Headteacher/Governors before it could be considered any further. It was also possible that planning permission would be required. Cllr Hatton agreed to ask for more information.	RH
22/02/2019	<b>Councillors' Items – Landscape:</b> The Clerk reported that MKC would soon be delivering the litter picking kits that had been requested. The email received from MKC would be circulated to councillors by the Clerk. A risk assessment would need to be completed to ensure the safety of volunteer litter pickers and there was also the opportunity to publicise the Litter Pick events via the MKC website and to share photos of the events.	Clerk
23/02/2019	<b>Councillors' Items – Rural Paths:</b> Broken stiles were reported at Little Crawley on the Chicheley Road and also in Brandon's field. It was agreed that the landowners would be contacted about repair/replacement.	Clerk
24/02/2019	<b>Councillors' Items – Landscape:</b> A request had been received from a resident for a dog bin to be installed at Little Crawley. It was agreed that this would be a good idea providing that the landowner was agreeable and that it was possible to get it emptied on a regular basis along with the other bins in the village. The Clerk agreed to ascertain whether this would be possible.	Clerk
25/02/2019	<b>Questions and comments from residents:</b> A resident mentioned the following: The streetlight in the High Street which gave light into Violets Close was now blocked by the new house which left Violets Close very dark; the car park adjacent to Bryans Crescent was dark and the surface was muddy and dangerous; the path from the High Street kissing gate down to Kilpin Green was overgrown and dangerous. It was agreed that these items would be investigated.	Clerk/RH
26/02/2019	<b>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</b> Tuesday 5 March 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.	

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