

ARTHINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 6th January 2015

Present:- Councillors Sue Handy (chairman) Charles Blake, Kate Morse Andy Knott
Mike Osgood, Lesley Sanderson

Attendees:- None

Apologies:- District and County Cllr. Irving-Swift, Cllrs. Joe Nikel

Presentation by District Cllr. Steve Osborne on the Role of the Planning Committee Councillor

**Updates from
County Cllr.:-** None

District Cllr.:- None

**Comments from
The public:-** None

Previous Minutes:- It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4th November 2014 and the extraordinary meeting held on Monday 1st December 2014 be approved and signed.

Matters Arising:- a) Noticeboard – Cllr. Sanderson updated the meeting on progress.

**Declarations of
Interest:-** None

**Burial Ground
Update:-** From Peterborough Diocese – The paperwork has now been drafted to go to the Land Registry. It will be sent to the Rector for approval first. Written confirmation to be requested when the error has been corrected.

Finance:-

a) It was proposed and seconded that the following invoices be paid:-

EON (MAINT O/N/D)	404	£	46.09
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b) Receipts – J. Stamp (Headstone Plot 55) £150

c) Mowing Payment - The clerk has requested £131.94 from NCC.

d) The clerk to request the PCC contribution for mowing.

**Planning
Applications:-** **New Applications:-** None

Decision from Daventry District Council:- None

**Other Planning
Matters:-** The clerk to write to Cllr. Chris Millar with copies to Cllr. Irving-Swift, Cllr. Steve Osborne and Chris Heaton-Harris MP asking at what stage the following policies are at and when they might be completed:- Local Plan for Housing and Traveller Policy. It is of great concern to Cllrs. that these policies are still outstanding. Cllr.s would also be interested to know how DDC define a traveller and a settled traveller.

**Village
Maintenance:-**

- 1) The Lime tree on the bank on Kelmarsh Road:- work still not carried out – 675578 referred to Lara Inglott – a works ticket will be issued in the next couple of weeks to have the tree inspected.
- 2) Kelmarsh Road footpath – the work has still not been carried out. Reply from DDC - Apologies for the lack of action on this matter. It has been neglected due to other priorities but I will seek to progress it in the near future.
- 3) Braybrooke Road (between nos. 1 – 8 and by cattle grid) potholes – getting larger. The clerk to report. 719026. Clerk to amend as follows:- 1 – 8 *Kelmarsh Road* breaking up.

- 4) Light no. 1 outside 5 Kelmarsh Road is not working. An LED replacement to be requested.
- 5) Leak outside Forge Cottages, Oxendon Road – AK to deal with.

Clerk's Salary:- Salary was confirmed at 2.15 hours per week at SCP 18 - £1029.68pa. to be paid in March and September plus expenses as previously agreed.

NALC Membership:- Following the large subscription increase NALC have advised the PC that they are offering 2 training vouchers worth £34.40 each in recognition of the high increase.

After discussion it was agreed the clerk should reply that APC will continue membership if the fee is reduced by the 2 training vouchers for £34.40 each.

Street Lighting:- 1) Arthingworth has 10 X 80 watt mercury lights and 3 X 70 watt sodium lights
2) Mercury lights are not allowed to be sold after 2016 because of EU regulations. Any lights which need replacing will have to be one of the following:-

LED (approx. £350) 22 watt - cheap to run

36 watt PL (approx. £300)

42 watt PL (approx. £300)

3) The above prices are for a straightforward lantern replacement. Any problems will obviously cost more.

4) The poles should not need replacing. The metal poles last longer than concrete poles so it might be worth checking.

There was some discrepancy about the number of lights in the village. The clerk to check.

The clerk to ascertain whether there will be a reduction for replacing all the lights at the same time.

Transparency Code:- The Code is designed to replace the external audit for smaller authorities and is subject to Parliamentary approval. If approved it will come into force in March 2015.

There may be funding available to help PC's publish the required information.

Correspondence:-

Circulated by email:-

- a) Information regarding Naseby's Village Emergency Telephone Scheme
- b) Information regarding the removal of Section 106 agreements from sites of fewer than 10 homes.
- c) November crime report
- d) Planning Issues information from the Parish and Town Council Conference.
- e) Changes to NCC Household Waste Recycling Centres from 1st February 2015.
- f) Police December Update.

At Meeting:-

- a) From NALC – District, borough and county councils remain “capped” but it appears unlikely that Parish Councils will be capped.
- b) Letter from CGD giving a list of services.
- c) Letter from Post Office regretting they have been unable to restore a service.
- d) West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy Local Plan (Part 1) has been adopted
- e) Consultation - NCC Draft Budget – reply by 20/1/14
- f) Consultation - NCC Health and Safety Demographic Needs Assessment – reply by 23/1/14

Any Other Business:-

- a) Work is presently taking place on the Broadband cables

Date of next meeting:-

Tuesday 3rd March 2015

Meeting Closed at 10.15pm