

ARTHINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 5th July 2022

Present:- Councillors Sue Handy, Bernadette Kennedy, Michael Kennedy, Kate Morse, Keith Ross Lesley Sanderson, John Harris

Apologies:-

Attendees:- Mrs. Eva Tibbits, Tim French (defib. administrator), and 10 members of the public

**Arthingworth
Camping :-**

Mrs. Eva Tibbits contacted the parish council regarding a pop-up camping site on land at the edge of the village and attended the meeting to address concerns.

Comments received verbally by the parish council from parishioners:-

- 1) The entrance will be very near to the Harrington Road junction and the corner of Kelmarsh Road and is also outside the 30mph zone. It should be noted that the entrance to the private cricket ground was of concern to Highways due to poor visibility.
- 2) It is noted that children and dogs are welcome on the site, There should be some consideration given to the inadequate boundary (a single strand of barbed wire on rickety posts) and ensured there are no safety hazards regarding the bordering stream and livestock in adjacent fields.
- 3) It should be ensured there is sufficient consideration given to the problems of rubbish, sanitation and noise.
- 4) The disturbance of wildlife should be a consideration.
- 5) Safety of campers is of concern given that there is no lighting or footpath between the site and the village. The campsite will be open during the harvest season and the area will have heavy farm traffic using the roads at all times, including when it is dark.
- 6) Some of the dates overlap with the Shambala festival.
- 7) Will the site be supervised?

The meeting was advised by Mrs. Tibbits as follows:-

- 1) There is a 28 day limitation on the use of the site
- 2) The site will be a small wild camping site only allowing tents and will have only 15 pitches.
- 3) The entrance is already used by farm traffic and should not be a problem
- 4) Site terms state that dogs must be kept on a lead or under control at all times. The landowners will remove any person from the site who does not comply.
- 5) There will be a 'beware of the water' sign on the boundary.
- 6) There will be a Portaloo on site which will be emptied regularly.
- 7) There will be bins (including recycling bins) on site
- 8) The site will have a quiet time between 10pm and 7am.
- 9) The site will be unlit but will have solar lighting by the Portaloo.
- 10) The village can be accessed from the site via private land therefore the until road will not have to be used.
- 11) The Shambala festival was not deemed to be a concern as tickets to the festival include on site camping.
- 12) The site will be visited twice a day by the owners and a contact number will be in the pub.
- 13) The area contains a wildflower meadow which will not be disturbed. There are no live badger setts in the area.
- 14) The site will never become full time as the land will be used for grazing.
- 15) As the land is uneven the number of sites will always be limited.
- 16) Only raised bbq's in safe areas will be allowed and the campers will be asked to leave no trace.
- 17) Cars will not be allowed on to the site but will have a small parking area on the right hand side behind the hedge.

Comments from the public:-

Concerns were raised regarding the application of a phone mast at the bottom of Hall Close. A discussion took place and Cllr. Irving-Swift updated the meeting on the issue.

- 1) The application is permitted development and may be difficult to stop.
- 2) The proposed land is owned by WNC.
- 3) Cllr. Irving-Swift made attempts to change the site but to no avail.
- 4) Only planning objections will be taken into consideration e.g.. It is an important open space (as stated in the N/hood Plan), the cabinets will be imposing, it will change the outlook of the village etc.
- 5) Opposition to the application possibly needs to be advertised in the media etc.
- 6) Cecile will contact the local MP.

Further comments:-

- 1) This will be a mast serving less than 100 houses with no previous complaints about poor mobile signal.
- 2) It would dominate the landscape
- 3) Children play in the area (the only green areas of the village)
- 4) The sight line of cars accessing Hall Close needs to be ascertained

The clerk to invite a representative of Hutchinson's to the meeting
Cllr. Sanderson to contact YourLocale for support

Declarations of Interest:-

None

Defibrillator:-

- 1) The defibrillator was purchased in July 2017 for £1477 (net of VAT) by the parish council. This was funded by donations from villagers.
- 2) It is covered by the PC insurance
- 3) A new battery was purchased and installed in July 2021.
- 4) The electrodes expired in December 2021 and a new set ordered. These are still not in stock and the clerk is making weekly phone calls to suppliers with no success to date.
- 5) The ambulance service has been informed and is aware of the "real challenge getting supplies of late".
- 6) The defib. is marked as 'not rescue ready' on The Circuit (the national defib. network).
- 7) Cllr. Irving-Swift has contacted WNC Director of Public Health

Pink Paper:-

This was the pre-submission paper of the Mast application which can now be discussed fully at an extraordinary meeting to be arranged.

Comments

from Ward Cllrs.:-

WNC finance is improving.

Previous Minutes:-

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd May be approved and signed.

Matters Arising:-

- 1) Solar Speed sign – no further news
- 2) Transfer to Internet Banking -
 - a) Mandate now complete.- awaiting further news
- 4) Review of road signage on Braybrooke Road – the request has been submitted to WNC Speed Limit Review Panel which will be heard on Tuesday 12th July.

Finance:-

- a) The meeting proposed and seconded that the following invoices be approved for payment:-

Leics. Gardens (Ap & May)	T8	360
Eon (Maint A/M/J)	T9	34.66
NALC (Subscrip)	T10	228.05
Npower (Power A/M/J)	TBA	

b) Receipts:-

Stamps (Ingleby) £80

Planning

Applications:-

New Applications:- None

Other Planning

Matters:-

Decisions from West Northants Council:- None

The paddock and barn on the edge of the village has just been sold. To be monitored for any signs of building work.

Village

Maintenance:-

- 1) Footpath Maintenance - Pathways need sweeping – **3631371** – *this is not WNC's responsibility*
- 2) Anglian Water – a site visit to be arranged regarding possible burst pipes.- position to be confirmed.
- 3) Golden gravel on Oxendon Road – the clerk liaising with Western Power. Highways to be informed the patching does not match the existing path.
- 4) Braybrooke Road – junction with Desborough Road. The sides of the road have suffered considerable subsidence and cars are getting damaged. **3631379** - *no immediate safety concerns relating to this issue that warrant repair but will be monitored as routine maintenance.*
- 5) Harrington Road – large pothole on the approach to the village, at top of the hill on the left. **3631387** *Action scheduled*
- 6) Road signs obscured by vegetation – clerk to report

Neighbourhood Plan

Update:-

The draft has been completed and the first consultations have been started. It will soon be ready for public consultation and will hopefully be completed by Christmas.

Correspondence:-

Circulated by email:-

- 1) NCALC mini updates -
- 2) Highways weekly Works Schedule
- 3) Braybrooke Neighbourhood Plan Consultation
- 4) From WNC - Residents should start seeing immediate improvements to roads and signage in West Northamptonshire when the new highways service launches this autumn, according to proposals set out by Council's preferred contractor
- 5) Information from WNC regarding decaying and trees at Old Manor

At Meeting:-

- 1) The chairman received a letter of resignation from Cllr. John Harris and thanked him for all his work and dedication to the council and wished him well in his new home.
The clerk to notify WNC and advertise.

Any Other

Business:-

None

Date of next meeting:-

Tuesday 6th September 2022 at 8pm in the village hall.
Extraordinary meeting to discuss the application for a phone mast – Monday 18th July 2022 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 10pm