

## Minutes of Dingley Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 19.30 hours in the Village Hall, Church Lane, Dingley

<b>Members Present</b>	Cllr Linsell (Acting Chair) Cllr Hinxman Cllr Anderson Cllr Garratt Mrs Justina Medwell (Clerk)
<b>Others in Attendance</b>	None

Minute		Action
663	<b>To receive and approve apologies:</b> Cllr Jones Work Commitments	
664	<b>Member's declaration of interest in items on the Agenda:</b> None declared.	
665	<b>To approve and sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting:</b> The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2017 were <b>agreed</b> as a true record of that meeting and were duly signed by the Chair. Proposed Cllr Hinxman      Seconded Cllr Garratt	
666	<b>Matters Arising from the last Parish Council meeting:</b> The Council noted that the requested letters had been sent to the Village Hall Committee regarding the Big Lottery Grant and annual hall hire charge. The Clerk will write to David Wheway, Chair of the Church Lane Residents Committee clarifying the Council's position in any potential fund raising for the repairs to Church Lane.	<b>JM</b>
667	<b>Open Forum – Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council:</b> There were no members of the public present.	
668	<b>Ongoing Matters:</b> <b>(i) Unitary Status:</b> There was nothing further to report at this time. Cllr Linsell commended Borough Cllr Howes and County Cllr Matthews for their informative brief on the subject at the last meeting.	
	<b>(ii) Access to Dingley Hall Park:</b> Cllr Linsell reported that progress has been made on gaining access to the park. Mr and Mrs Iain Dilley have agreed to run and administer the new 'Friends of Dingley Park' scheme following their online communication with Mark Ferguson. Documents are currently being prepared and will be ready for distribution at the Annual Village Meeting on 5 <sup>th</sup> May. Application forms will be available as well as the terms and conditions of membership. Initially this is to be considered as a pilot scheme but will be given full status if no problems arise. There will be certain limitations as to access to the property and this will include Hunt Days and when equestrian events are scheduled.	

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	<p><b>(iii) Neighbourhood Watch:</b> The Council <b>agreed</b> the final draft village survey. Proposed Cllr Linsell      Seconded Cllr Garratt Cllr Hinxman will be delivering both the survey and an application to join Neighbourhood Watch to each household prior to the Annual Village Meeting. The Council <b>agreed</b> to meet the costs of printing these documents.</p> <p><b>(iv) Litter Pick:</b> The Council was reminded of the next litter pick taking place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April. The equipment will be delivered to Cllr Anderson prior to that date.</p> <p><b>(v) Fly Tipping:</b> This was noted as being on the next Rural Forum agenda</p>	<b>RH</b>													
<b>669</b>	<p><b>Planning:</b> <b>KET/2017/0083 8 Harborough Road Extension of Existing Dropped Kerb</b> This application had been circulated and considered prior to the meeting. The Council objected to the proposed application on the grounds that it would compromise road traffic safety and significantly alter the character of the village to the detriment of the community.  Cllr Anderson left the meeting at this point.</p>														
<b>670</b>	<p><b>Financial Matters:</b></p> <p><b>(i) Payments</b> The following cheques were presented for signature and unanimously <b>agreed</b>:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;">100524</td> <td style="width: 65%;">NCALC – Subscription</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">£172.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100525</td> <td>J Medwell – Clerk wages and expenses February</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£272.55</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100526</td> <td>ICO – Data Protection</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£35.00</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>(ii) Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation</b></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">Current Account</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">£10,954.58</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Balance of Reserves</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b><u>£10,954.58</u></b></td> </tr> </table> <p>The Bank Reconciliation and Bank Statement was unanimously approved and then duly signed by the Chairman.</p> <p><b>(iii) Approval of Approval of Annual Governance Statement 2016/17</b> The Council considered and <b>approved</b> the Annual Governance Statement 2016/17. Proposed Cllr Hinxman      Seconded Cllr Garratt This was duly signed by the Chair and Responsible Financial Officer</p> <p><b>(iv) Approval of Annual Accounting Statement 2016/17</b> The Clerk had prepared the 2016/2017 Financial Accounts in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and circulated prior to the meeting. The Council considered and <b>approved</b> the Annual Accounting Statement 2016/17. Proposed Cllr Hinxman      Seconded Cllr Garratt This was duly signed by the Chair and Responsible Financial Officer</p> <p>The necessary documents will now be presented to the Internal Auditor. The Council noted that its bank reserve was rather on the low side and was mindful that this may need building up in the future.</p>	100524	NCALC – Subscription	£172.90	100525	J Medwell – Clerk wages and expenses February	£272.55	100526	ICO – Data Protection	£35.00	Current Account	£10,954.58	Total Balance of Reserves	<b><u>£10,954.58</u></b>	
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671	<p><b>Parish Highways Report:</b>  <b>Outstanding Footways Work:</b>                      The Council expressed its disappointment that no response had been received from Northamptonshire Highways regarding the outstanding footway clearing (moss on the pavement at the Home Close / Braybrooke Road junction) and the deterioration of Braybrooke Road due to the large increase of HGV's using the road as a detour for the closed A6. The Clerk will pursue with NCC Highways Area Manager Ian Smith.</p>	JM
672	<p><b>Correspondence:</b>                      Amongst other correspondence were the following items, all e-mailed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. KBC – Town and Parish Council Training - Presentation</li> <li>II. NCC Highways – Northants Local Access Forum</li> <li>III. KBC – Capital Community Grant Schemes</li> <li>IV. County Cllr Matthews – Information on VAS Camera dates</li> <li>V. Email from local resident regarding footways clearing and speed bumps.</li> <li>VI. NCC - Rights of Way Improvement Plan</li> </ul> <p>Cllr Hinxman volunteered to liaise with Tony Lucas (footpath warden) with regards to auditing the parish footpaths in terms of their appeal and regularity of use.</p>	
673	<p><b>New items for inclusion on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting:</b>                      Fly Tipping                      Rights of Way - Improvement Plan</p>	
674	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b>                      AGM Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 at 7.30pm</p>	

**The Meeting Closed at 9.00 pm**

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