

Cranford Parish Council

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Draft minutes of the Meeting of Cranford Parish Council to be held at The Village Hall, Cranford – Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7pm for the purpose of transacting the following business

Present

Cllrs Stephen Pickard (Chairman), Huw Boyt, Mo Cerrone, Rex Moore, Jonathon West
Clerk- Claire Tilley

Formalities

17/0112 Apologies- received and resolved to accept from Cllr Peter Maddison- personal and Cllr Joy Beeby -medical

17/0113 Declaration of Interests – Cllr Rex Moore declared an interest in quote for signs.

17/0114 Public Session- via email or councillors

- **Abandoned vehicles.** An email was received and circulated regarding these on the High St. Councillors discussed the matter and appreciate residents' concerns. However, they have no jurisdiction over this, and the correct process of reporting to Police has been done.
- **School Parking-** issue with parents parking inappropriately. Councillors have previously spoken to school on this matter- and have asked Highways about double yellow lines, an appraisal was done, but not deemed to be in a priority area and no history of any accidents to merit their installation – there are single white lines indicating advisory no parking etc. Cllr West stated this is a recurring issue raised at the Kettering Town Forum. Police say not possible to be at all schools- and would still encourage people to report inappropriate parking etc to police and they will look into it. **Clerk to reply to resident and inform school**
- **Path heading North from Black Bridge to Alledge Brook along Cranford Rd** not been reinstated- **Clerk to ask ROW Officer about this** GR 909 765
- **Road section to the west of High St from the Old Railway Bridge eastwards on the Thrapston Rd towards J11** is disintegrating and also very muddy- Clerk to report to Street Doctor
- **Big hole appeared outside the red lion.** Clerk to report both to Street Doctor

17/0115 Minutes of last meeting- Meeting 6th December 2017- Resolved to accept as a correct record and a copy published on the council website

Items of note

17/0116 Chairman's announcements- the Chairman discussed the following with members

- **Kettering East Liaison Group** - none of developers turned up although they were due to discuss their financial situation. 46 houses occupied now- 83 at legal completion stage. School issue continues. Recognise that there is a traffic issue at the turning to Cranford near the garage, although no easy solution.
- **Councillors resolved to seek approval and funding-** either from National Lottery or NCF, for replacement of 5 Stiles and improvements to footpaths between Twywell Hills and Dales and Cranford-

- **Councillors resolved to forward the Tree Planting project** of memorial trees to mark end of WW1 and for each soldier on memorial and discussed siting of same. Huw to draft a letter to various stakeholders to garner interest
- Duck End path and Thrapston Rd project- **councillors resolved to start this** with regards to laying aggregate to improve surface
- Councillors resolved to access remaining £2000 from traffic calming for possible funding for village gates at either end of village- in line with the existing village signs. **Clerk to forward this to Louise Holland.**

17/0117 Correspondence-

- Rural Police- no longer issuing parish crime reports- Clerk must log in to police website to pull of reports
- Email received and circulated from resident regarding Royal Mail deliveries over Christmas- Councillors discussed this. **Clerk to write to Royal Mail** to query the postal delivery- is it now alternate deliveries? Deliveries in the 2 weeks leading up to Xmas was not during adverse weather

17/0118 On-going items-

- Cllr West noted that St Andrews clock has not been keeping time- he has been doing the necessary maintenance, but still running 5 mins fast. He will contact the Church conservation trust about getting contractors out
- Clerk report-
Street Doctor updates
 Clearance of vegetation along Cranford Rd footpath- apparently work completed on 22nd December
 Grit bin on corner of Duck End- Stephen and resident have moved it- it is broken, so I have ordered a new one.
High St Defibrillator- Phone Box now registered with BT for electricity purposes. Waiting for delivery date.
Empowering Councillor Fund- application made for funds for kissing gates. Has been acknowledged- awaiting outcome
St Andrews Lane wall- Letter written and posted to Richard Marlow (KBC) on the 18th December, requesting official line. No reply- follow up email sent

17/0119 Running of Parish Council- Members considered whether to put more concise notes on Noticeboards, rather than full minutes. **Clerk will check the legalities** of what needs to be published

17/0120 Future of the pan handle- Cranford Road- with regards to the parish boundary and the forthcoming development. Members to research the procedure and obtain more information in order to make an informed decision.

Finance

17/0121 Accounts- members received and approved a monthly account of financial situation showing a balance of £10184.40

a) Members approved payments as below

Claire Tilley	Clerk salary	£747.20	Chq 000757	LGA 1972 s111
HMRC	PAYE	£173.60	Chq 000758	LGA 1972 s111

b) Clerk future salary setting- advice received from Danny Moody (NCALC) was presented and discussed for forward planning. Recommended to move to pay bracket LC2, and to check figures for next meeting

c) Quote received for Village Hall defibrillator signage- **members resolved to order these**

17/0122 Planning – for information- members to note information received from ENDC regards works near Twywell Hills and Dales. Earth works are within permitted development. Area in Twywell Parish council, clerk to pass info onto them

KET/2017/0672/4 Pig Unit- further info for application received at KBC planning about hydrology and the access road

KET/2018/0007 2A Rectory Hill, replacement windows- members resolved to support this application

17/0123 Dates for next meetings- Feb 7th, Mar 14th, Apr 11th

17/0124 Items for next meeting- none at present