

Cranford Parish Council

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Draft Minutes of the meeting of Cranford Parish Council held at The Village Hall, Cranford –Wednesday 12th September 2018, at 7pm

Present

Cllrs Stephen Pickard, Mo Cerrone, Rex Moore, Jonathan West, Huw Boyt
Clerk-Claire Tilley KBCllr Mark Rowley PS Robert Offord

Formalities

18/0041 **Apologies-all present**

18/0042 **Declaration of Interests – none**

18/0043 The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday July 11th were confirmed as a correct record

Items of note

18/0044 **Public Session-None present-** question put to a councillor about whether new trees had been watered- no-one was aware.

18/0045 **Chairman's announcements** and local representatives' reports

KBCllr Mark Rowley- KBC pretty much closed down over summer so nothing to report there. However, 6 district councils have now voted for the two Unitary authorities. (Corby voted against.) The decision now goes back to government

P.S. Offord- explained about Operation Viper- big priority to target drug gangs from London and Birmingham using the train lines to traffic drugs- The rural teams have been working on this in Kettering town centre and two rural addresses also being investigated. Locally Identified Priorities are currently Speeding, Parking and Burglary. New questionnaires ongoing- encourage residents to participate to establish next LIP. Over the last year 19 incidents have occurred in Cranford- with some recent criminal damage to vehicles. No robberies in this area. Northamptonshire Neighbourhood Alert- residents should sign up. Speed limit along Cranford road. Much discussion ensued. Conclusion was to ask developers to reinstate the correct 40mph signage and remove the painted roundels. Cllr Rowley will action this

18/0046 **Co-option to the council-** no applicants have come forward

18/0047 **Correspondence-** most circulated electronically- actions required as below
From NCALC e update
AGM- Sat 6th October 10-1pm. Council were happy for the Clerk to represent the council.
Local Government Reform- members discussed at length the implications for councils with regards to budget setting for 2019-2020.Cllr Rowley suggested members go to Rural Forum to keep abreast of changes
Northants County Council- letters received about adopting salt bins, with a rigorous agreement that the Council would have to adhere to. Upon discussion it was seen that the

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regulations that go with ownership was expecting a higher standard of care of the bins than the Highways currently offer and could lead to Parish Council liabilities. **Council Resolved not to take on ownership** due to possible risks and logistics. Clerk to inform Severe Weather team

Northants Community Foundation- had contacted Mayor of Burton Latimer to arrange a walkabout of areas receiving grants. Date 26th Sep noon- Cllr Boyt agreed to liaise with him and village hall committee members.

18/0048

On-going items-

a) **Memorial Trees**- grant application made to the Margaret Giffen Fund- awaiting outcome

b) **Footpath renovation**- Grant successful – Site visit carried out for Gate installation. This should start next week (18th Sept) Awaiting notification from landowner as to when the hardcore can be delivered for surface restructuring

c) **Defibrillator** awareness session- for the new High St defib - **Clerk to contact** the school to see if they can host it.

d) **St. Andrews Wall**- update on Section 21 Notice. Cranford Estates disputing that the curtilage wall is listed. KBC planning have to go through due process to show justification of its listing.

e) **Cranford Rd** -Speed limit update- see above

f) **St. Andrews Postbox** – this had been sealed up, but is now open again with collection times on it

g) **Village gateways**- KBC have sent the Purchase order to NCC. Awaiting works program date from Ian Boyes at Highways

18/0049

Planning-

KET/2017/0616 members received correspondence from Isham Parish council regarding a planning appeal and decided they were not in a position to make comment.

KET/2018/0504 (0498)- 15 St. Andrews Lane members noted that comments have been made to KBC planning dept. in support with points noted and that planning permission has been granted

Finance

18/0050

a) Budget monitoring- members received up to date accounts and resolved that spending is in line with the budget. However, more village enhancement needs to be organised

b) Resolved that payments resolved approved- in accordance with relevant legislation resolved

Information Commissioner	Registering as Data Controller	£40	Chq 000779	Data Protection (Charges and Information) Regulations 2018.
C Tilley	Expenses-stamps and Honours board	£57.48	Chq 000780	LGA 1972.s111
Michael Middleton	Jubilee Gardens maintenance	£60.00	Chq 000781	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10

c) Internal Auditor checked accounts and bank reconciliation

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18/0051 Dates for **next meetings**- Oct 10th, Nov 14th, Dec 12th

18/0052 **Future Agenda items** -. Rex and Huw offered to perform Clerk Appraisal

Signed

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Parish Clerk