

Cranford Parish Council

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Draft minutes of the Meeting of Cranford Parish Council held at The Village Hall, Cranford –
Wednesday 5th December 2018, at 7pm

Present

Cllrs Stephen Pickard, Jonathan West, Rex Moore
One resident Clerk- Claire Tilley

Formalities

- 18/0079 **Apologies**-received and resolved to accept from Cllrs Mo Cerrone, Gavin Maxwell, Julie Auld
- 18/0080 **Declaration of Interests** –none declared
- 18/0081 **Minutes of last meeting**- Meeting 14th November 2018- Resolved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record

Items of note

18/0082 **Public Session-**

The resident asked about lack of maintenance along Bridle way around A510, They had spoken to Nick Wedgbrow, Rights Of Way Officer. The original way has been amended to go around the landfill site and has not been maintained. Overhanging brambles hazardous to horse riders. Gates are in need of repair as well. Resident will forward Clerk the Street Doctor reference. Should be responsibility of landowner- this is Suez. **Clerk to action.**

18/0083 **Chairman's announcements-**

- Fly tipping on Cranford Wood Rd and Grafton Rd- (this has been notified to KBC)
- Light in High St still out-**Clerk to chase**
- Light on High level path on Grafton Rd- **Clerk to report**
- Dog fouling issue- in hand with KBC warden
- Church clock- running fast- **Cllr West will contact** the Church Conservation Trust
- Thrapston Rd- most recent holes repaired- but one hole by Packs Yard is already out- so hole back. More holes opened up since frost. Needs to go back on repairs list. **Clerk to action**
- Erosion of kerb outside the village hall to entrance of Cranford Park is getting worse. Grafton Rd drains have been cleared. But due to erosion are going to fill up again quickly
- Drains in Church Lane, Rectory Hill and St. Andrews lane all need reporting-**Clerk to action**
- Kissing gates-One of the gates in the copse is not adjusted –**Clerk to report to company**
- Cranford School- has been in correspondence with new Head teacher regarding vegetation and parking. Banner about safe parking now up- and the Head is bringing up poor parking with parents. With regards to vegetation they are looking into ownership before progressing further. Chairman will meet with school in the new year.

Signed as an accurate record of decisions made

Chairman

Date

- 18/0084 **Correspondence-** most circulated electronically-
- NCALC mini update
 - NCALC- request as to whether the council wish to retain their services as Data Protection Officer next year at a cost of £10 p.a. Resolved to do so.
- 18/0085 **Clerk appraisal cycle-** councillors noted points arising from this. (attached as Appendix to minutes) Targets set which have met with the approval of the council. Finance to move up the Agenda. Pay award set for April of next year.
- 18/0086 **Northamptonshire Community Foundation-** councillors briefly discussed other projects that could utilise this funding avenue. Two more quotes needed for footpath boardwalk before moving forward with this- Clerk to action.

Other Options- Better surface for footpath between Top Dyson and the Grange.
 Better access/new kissing gates on the Slipton Rd.
 Improvement to Grafton Road, kerbing along where the verge is eroded.

- 18/0087 **On-going items-** updates noted on the following
- a) **Footpath renovation-** Landowner has now agreed to take delivery of aggregate and will plan a program of resurfacing when conditions allow
- b) **Village gateways-** Matt Barratt- engineer from Northamptonshire Highways has confirmed works are now booked in, awaiting availability of temporary lights, then it should be done.

- 18/0088 **Planning-** Consultations and decisions received on the following applications
- KET/2018/0847-The Old Stables-Thrapston Rd-**proposed tractor barn
Resolved to Support- Clerk to send comments
- KET/2018/0779- Glebe Farm Class Q Determination-** change of use from Agricultural to residential- Permission Granted
- KET/2018/0724- Grafton Rd-** livestock barn- Permission Granted
- KET/2015/0967- Hanwood Park- variations and removal of conditions-** Permission granted
- KET/2013/0232- East Kettering R23 & R26-** approval of reserved matters granted

Finance

- 18/0089 a) Payments resolved to be approved- in accordance with relevant legislation

C. Tilley	Clerk Salary & Expenses	£575.59	Chq 000786	LGA 1972 s111
HMRC	Clerk PAYE	£133.20	Chq 000787	LGA 1972 s111
Storefield Aggregates	Aggregate for footpath	£10,508.40	Chq 000788	Highways Act 1980 ss 43

b) Councillors received revised quotes for tree planting. No company could commit to watering the trees, so councillors discussed ideas of installing other commemorative items. Refer to next meeting.

c) Councillors did not discuss the draft budget. Precept is to be decided before January 25th 2019.

Chair asked that the budget be circulated again. Parish Council will get a vegetation management schedule drawn up to put out a tender for contract.

18/0090 **Dates for next meetings-** Jan 9th 2019, 13th Feb, 13th Mar, 10th Apr

18/0091 **Future Agenda items** – War Commemorative Ideas. Funding projects. Budget/Precept

Signed



Parish Clerk