Minutes of Ordinary Meeting

Monday 3rd November 2014

1. APOLOGIES (with acceptance of apologies): None

Present: Trevor Gill, Michael Blakeman, Alastair Whetstone, Clerk: Helen Hide-Wright

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: None

3. CONFIRM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes were proposed by Trevor Gill and seconded by Alastair Whetstone. Unanimously accepted.

4. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

5. MATTERS ARISING:

Community

a) Burial Ground: Carry forward to next month.

b) Community Policing/Neighbourhood Watch: The Clerk noted the emails that she had seen and circulated. The Police are advising people to keep lights on in their homes to discourage burglaries.

c) Playground (including monthly check). Review of Inspection report by RoSPA: The report has been reviewed the play area issues will be addressed during the village tidy up on 8 November 2014.

d) Superfast Broadband: Chris Williams confirmed that nothing will change until April at the very earliest when funding is confirmed. Trevor Gill raised the potential from a new business concept where broadband is relayed from a school premises with broadband to local villages. Trevor will continue to investigate the concept.

e) Post Office: At present there is a temporary replacement working at the PO. The Parish Council will advertise for volunteers to operate the PO for the long term.

f) Avon Dassett Country Fete: The Fete AGM is this Thursday. They have approximately £4,200 to distribute. Trevor has put in a request for £500 towards the replacement of the Reading Room windows and £500 for the replacement of the tubs in the village. Trevor will thank the committee for all of their hard work on behalf of the residents of the village.

g) Village Tidy-up: 10 - noon on Saturday 8th November.

h) Remembrance: The service is sorted out and will take place at 12.00.

i) Christmas: After Thursday's Fete AGM Trevor Gill will contact Lily Hope-Frost to relay the outcome of the grant applications and the arrangements for Christmas.

Roads

Traffic, Roads and Drains

- Water flowing onto road close to St John's Church: The water appears to have ceased flowing down the road.
- Speed Reduction Scheme: The consultation is complete. The new signage has been partially installed.

Environment/Maintenance

j) Green areas: Nothing to report.

k) Reading Room maintenance (Purchase of frost stat): Alastair has bought and installed a frost stat into the kitchen area. Alastair will look into the purchase of one or two fires for the Reading Room. Alastair has received a quotation for replacement windows. Trevor will seek further quotation.

ACTION: Alastair to investigate and purchase fires for the RR. Trevor to seek quotation for replacement windows.

Communication/Administration

l) Administration: Nothing to report.

m) Review of Parish Councillor Responsibilities: Helen will list the potential roles and ask Councillors to volunteer for the areas (with the addition of the maintenance of the Reading Room).

ACTION: Clerk to draw up a list of Councillor responsibilities to circulate for sign up.

6. COUNCIL REPORTS: Councillor Chris Williams spoke about the ongoing Fire Service dispute. This is part of the national dispute centred upon retirement and pensions. They have now withdrawn their labour. Cover has been sought and is currently operating.

A developer has sought pre application advice to build 3 houses next to Avon Carrow. The Planning Department and Councillor Williams are against the application.

Trevor Gill asked if it is worth reviewing the Parish Plan. Councillor Williams confirmed that it would. Mike Blakeman will look at the idea of the Parish Plan update before the next meeting. **ACTION: Michael Blakeman will investigate updating the Parish plan**

7. CORRESPONDENCE – Paper copies circulated at meeting. Electronic mail circulated prior to meeting. Councillor Williams encouraged the PC to appoint a Snow Warden if Daniel Robertson is unable to continue to undertake the role. **ACTION: Trevor Gil to clarify if Daniel will continue as the Snow Warden.**

8. PLANNING (Declarations of interests): Nothing to report.

9. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ACTION: Clerk to move £5,000 from the current account to the ring fenced funds account for the refurbishment of the Reading Room.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT November 2014: **Balance at close of business 31/10/14**

Current Account	£11,687.80
Savings Account	£ 749.55 *

This figure represents ring fenced funds for ADPC plus any interest received into the account.

Bank Transactions

Current Account		**Chq/SO/DD**	**In**	**Out**
6 Oct	N Power	DD		47.00
7 Oct	D. Tonks	DD		214.06
8 Oct	Hire of Reading Room	Cash	55.00	
10 Oct	Chq	1298		14.70
10 Oct	Chq	1299		16.35
10 Oct	Chq	1288		7.18
10 Oct	Chq	1290		8.76
10 Oct	Chq	1300		11.52
10 Oct	Chq	1294		11.72
14 Oct	Chq	1296		96.00
21 Oct	Chq	1297		40.00
22 Oct	D. Tonks	DD		214.06
23 Oct	Chq	1295		49.99
27 Oct	D. Tonks	DD		27.03

Deposit Account		**In**	**Out**
9.10.14	Interest	0.03	

Cheques issued from mtg	**Cheque No**	**Amount**
3.11.14 A. Whetstone (RR Frost Stat)	1301	49.99
3.11.14 H. Hide-Wright (Expenses Oct)	1302	14.70
Total Cheques		**64.69**

New Balances for Ring Fenced Funds:

Neighbourhood Watch	£	185.00
St John's Steps appeal Funds	**£**	**359.05**
Community Grant Fund (Laptop)	£	5.50
Interest Received	£	0.03
Play area lease grant from AD Fete Committee	£	200.00
Total	£	749.55

- Precept and budget: Carry forward to next month.

10. MEMBER REPORTS: Trevor Gill put forward the suggestion to register the pub as a building of key important to the village. Councillor Williams commented that it makes the selling of the property more difficult and complex.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS – 2014 date: 15th Dec. 2015 Dates: 5th Jan, 2nd Feb, 2nd March, 13th April, 11th May, 1st June, 6th July, 3rd Aug, 7th Sept, 5th Oct, 2nd Nov, 7th Dec.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.