# MINUTES OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: John Cooper, Neil Thompson, Bill McDowell and Lee Savidge

**APOLOGIES:** Tim Hallchurch (OCC), David Hughes (CDC) Martin Byrne, Rob Hill.

# **Also Present:**

Item	Item
no	

### 164 Declarations of Interest

None

#### 165 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> February 2014 were approved as drawn.

# 166 Playing field

Bardwell Football Club have confirmed that they only want to play 2 evenings a week during the summer month. Ideally these evenings will be Wednesday and Thursday, but if there is too much of a clash with dog training they will look at another evening. It was agreed that this should proceed at a new annual rent ( for 12 months of the year) of £1500.

It was also agreed that the Dog Training sessions should be expected to pay for the use of the Village hall at residents' rates.

The Clerk was asked to ask Mr Dempsey to look at the sunken manhole near the Village hall.

# 167 Councillor's Report

The Clerk reported an update from Mr Hallchurch. Chiltern Rail are now looking at alternatives to closing the road at the level crossing during construction works of the new line.

# 168 Highway and Footpath matters

It was reported that the potholes in Green Lane have been sprayed green.

One of the village residents tripped over a hole that had been dug out near the bus shelter to drain flooding from the bus stop.

New road signs have been put up throughout the village.

# 169 Police and Crime Update

One of the village Community Police Officers has suggested that the gate in Buchanan Road leading onto MOD land should be moved to try to prevent fly tipping in the scrub land at the top of Buchanan Road. The Clerk was asked to check the Land Registry, on receipt of a plan, to see if there was any registered ownership of this land.

# 170 Motocross

Started on 1st March.

# 171 Planning Applications

13/01089/F 1040 Solar Panels – no objections Planning Applications

**Planning Applications** 

Graven Hill – Cd Rom with details of proposals for consultation with the Parish Council 83 Woodpiece Road – proposals to construct another property in the curtiledge.

The Clerk has not received copies of all planning applications relating to the Parish. She was asked to draw this to the attention of the Planning officer.

# 172 Planning Decisions

13/01882/CDC - 3 houses Woodpiece Road Play area - approved.

### 173 Finance

Approved to pay:

Gas tech £ 258.00 Bucks CC (deeds) £ 162.00 Milloy £ 90.00 Gas tech £ 240.00 Mr M Dempsey (Village Green) £1500.00

Receipts have been received from the Royal British Legion and the Methodist Minister. The Clerk was asked to try to transfer the NS and I funds into the name of the current Parish Council.

Although 3 quotes for grass cutting in the Village were requested the only one received was from Mr Dempsey. It did not propose and increase, and was accepted unanimously by the Parish Council.

## 174 Village Hall

Bookings are going well. The Chairman reported he had attended the last meeting of the Committee; the Committee was now seeking more volunteers to run it.

It was agreed that the parish would proceed with the work suggested by ATB Plumbing, and ask ATB for quote for changing the 16 taps in the toilets and changing rooms to the lever type. It was reported that there were 2 quotes so far for painting the toilets, one of £400 and one of £800. One councillor agreed to approach Cherwell and Banbury College to see if any of their students would be interested.

The parish Council thanked Julie Collins for her work as lettings officer.

The chairman reported that he was waiting for replies from surveyors re the roof problems.

## 175 Correspondence

The Chairman reported that Fiona Brown of CDC had asked to attend a meeting. It was suggested that she should come to the Open meeting on  $16^{th}$  May to discuss the parking issues arising out of the new planning permission at Woodpiece Road.

# 176 Public Participation

Concern was expressed that CDC appear to have changed their plans for the Graven Hill development and are not now building the Link Road to the A41.

The Clerk was asked to check the minutes of March 2011 and comments made by Tom Muccollough about the Woodpiece Road rural exception site.

The Council was asked to check whether the land to be developed in Woodpiece Road is a designated green space or play area.

Concern was expressed that the development in Woodpiece Road does not deal with land at the rear of the development.

The Clerk was asked to ask OCC's Gypsy officers to check the number of vans o the adjacent site. The Clerk was asked to advise OCC that the white paint on the road humps in Ploughley Road has come off.

#### 177 **Any Other Business**

It was agreed that the Parish should get some quotes for the repairs to the roof of the garage adjacent to the Village Hall.

It was reported that the changing rooms in the Village Hall will need to be cleared for a fashion show on 5<sup>th</sup> April.

Lee Savidge reported that he now has an email address for the Village Hall.

It was suggested that the Parish Council could prevent access over the verge to the Village Hall car park by planting boulders.

The Ray Valley Focus meeting will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 in Piddington Village Hall.

#### **178** Date of the next meeting

1<sup>st</sup> April 2014. Open Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014

# **ACTION REGISTER**

Date	Action	Ву
2/4/13	Liaise with police	BM
2/7/13	Advise CDC of breaches re motocross	all
7/8/13	Provide information re Village Green damage to insurers	AD
7/8/13	Collate reports of crimes in village	all
7/8/13	Obtain quotes re post on Vg	MB
4/3/14	Ask Mr Dempsey to repair sunken manhole by VH	AD
4/3/14	Get quotes for garage roof repairs	NT
4/3/14	Check minutes March 2011	AD
4/3/14	Check ownership of land at the top of Buchanan Road	AD
4/3/14	Ask CDc why not circulating all planning applications to PC	AD
4/3/14	Check status of Woodpiece Road play area	AD
4/3/14	Contact Banbury college re painting toilets	BM
4/3/14	Ask Gypsy officers to check no of vans at Boarstall site	AD