

## **MINUTES OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

**PRESENT:** John Cooper, Neil Thompson, Bill McDowell, Martin Byrne Rob Hill and Lee Savidge

**APOLOGIES:** Tim Hallchurch (OCC),  
David Hughes (CDC).

### **Also Present:**

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Item no	Item
<b>1</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> None
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes</b> The Minutes of the meeting of 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2014 were approved as drawn.
<b>3</b>	<b>Playing field</b> Bardwell Football Club have booked the playing field and the Village Hall for an event on 7 <sup>th</sup> June.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Councillors' Reports</b> None.
<b>5</b>	<b>Highway and Footpath matters</b> Potholes in Greenfields and Woodpiece Road have been filled. However there are now 2 holes by the bus shelter. A leak on the corner of Woodpiece Road has been sprayed blue and a channel has been cut to divert the water. The leak has been reported.
<b>6</b>	<b>Police and Crime Update</b> The Clerk was asked to check the ownership of land at the top of Buchanan Road on receipt of a plan. It was reported that a stranger had been seen in the kitchen of one of the properties in Greenfields, and, on the same day, a purse was stolen from a resident waiting at the bus stop. Both incidents have been reported to the Police.
<b>7</b>	<b>Motocross</b> Ongoing.
<b>8</b>	<b>Planning Applications</b> Arncott House 18 Norris Road 2 storey extension. The Council agreed to make the following observations:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contractors' vehicle should not be parked on the highway</li><li>2. Appropriate safety standards should be maintained during construction</li><li>3. Any construction should not interfere with the support required for the adjoining property.</li></ol> The Clerk was asked to chase the planning application for 83 Woodpiece Road –PP 03103470.
<b>9</b>	<b>Planning Decisions</b> None

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**10 Finance**

Approved to pay:	
Milloy	£ 90.00
Tetbury Accounting Ltd	£120.00
Tetbury Accounting Ltd	£240.00

**11 Village Hall**

Bookings are going well. In view of the lack of committee members for the Village Hall Committee and the ACA the meetings of both organisations have been combined.

There has been a suggestion that a group is formed of "Friends of the Village Hall" which would support and fund raise, but not be expected to manage the hall. It was agreed that the Parish Council would take over the management of the Village Hall finance and the Chairman would attend Village Hall meetings. It was also agreed that volunteers should be asked to start selling raffle tickets.

It was confirmed that ATB will be completing the plumbing work and installing new taps. Quotes for painting the toilets are now being sought. Quotes are also awaited in respect of replacement work to the Village Hall roof.

The Chairman reported on the TOE Environmental Showcase event, where it was apparent that a proactive Village Hall committee was essential if progress is to be achieved. During the event there was a report of BASF foam which could be sprayed onto roofs and would give additional insulation. It was estimated that this could cost the Parish Council about £8000.00.

**12 Correspondence**

The Clerk reported correspondence concerning a Traffic order closing the road from the A41 on 7<sup>th</sup> April for a week.

**13 Public Participation**

It was confirmed that, in addition to local organisations, the Clerk should invite Bob Duxbury, Fiona Brown both from CDC and Caroline Brown from Thames Valley Police.

It was reported that there is a bolt missing from the roundabout in the playground. Martin Byrne agreed to contact Wickstead – the supplier, with details and ask them to arrange a repair.

It was agreed that the Parish should put up a notice indicating that there was a fault and tape up the piece of equipment.

**14 Any Other Business**

It was agreed that the roofers quoting to repair the roof on the Village Hall should be asked if they are interested in repairing the garage roof as well.

Two emergency lights outside the Village Hall are faint and need new tubes.

The Clerk reported that OCC have confirmed they cannot install a new street light as the land is not highway land.

Despite a number of attempts tutors at FE colleges did not respond to Bill McDowell's enquiries with regard to painting trainees. The Council agreed that Print Run could gravel around its building on the Village Green. It was noted that Print Run will provide more plants for the War memorial.

The Chairman reported that the Ray Valley Focus meeting had been postponed.

The Council noted that grants are available from OCC – up to £5000 for community projects. CDC have confirmed they have no money for Parish Council grants – the only source of grants are the landfill operators.

**15 Date of the next meeting**

6<sup>th</sup> May 2014. Open Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014

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## **ACTION REGISTER**

Date	Action	By
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	Get quotes for garage roof repairs	NT
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
5/4/14	Attend VH meetings	JC
5/4/14	Invite CDC and police reps to open meeting	AD
5/4/14	Check condition of playground	MB
5/4/14	Contact Orit Byrne re VH accounts	AD
5/4/14	Order replacement playground pieces from Wickstead	MB