

**MINUTES OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD on 1st July 2014
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: John Cooper, Neil Thompson, Bill McDowell, Martin Byrne Rob Hill .

APOLOGIES: Lee Savidge Tim Hallchurch (OCC), David Hughes (CDC)

Item no	Item
47	Declarations of Interest None
48	Minutes The Minutes of the meeting held on 3 rd June 2014 were agreed as drawn.
49	Woodpiece Road The Chairman confirmed that he had met with representatives of Sanctuary Housing to consider the difficulties arising in Woodpiece Road, and there would be a further meeting at 3.00pm on 2 nd July.
50	Matters Arising Bardwell Football Club had their open event on 7 th June, and it was noticeable that cars were parked everywhere over the field. The Clerk was asked to draw the problem to the club's attention and ask that they manage the parking in an orderly way for any future events. The Chairman advised that as residents had not reported registration numbers for the MOD lorries parked on the playing field the MOD were not able to take any further action.
51	Highway and Footpath matters There is a large hole in the layby at the entrance to the village. The surface of the footpath between Murcott Road and Woodpiece Road is damaged and rutted. The Clerk was asked to report this to OCC.
52	Police and Crime Update A white van has been spotted at the top of Buchanan Road, but no issues have been reported. There is also a white van in the layby outside the depot (near the hole) with a "police aware" sign on it. A car has been abandoned at the farm at the end of the Village. A car was seen driving at speed over the playing field on 27 th June 2014, and children were seen vandalising the bus shelter.
53	Motocross It was generally felt that noise levels were lower.
54	Playground The broken roundabout has been repaired.
55	Planning Applications 14/00956/F Solar Voltaic Park – no objections, but comments made

56 Planning Decisions

None.

57 Finance

Approved to pay:

Milloy	£ 90.00
Dempsey	£1225.00
Playground Inspection and maintenance	£1416.48
Parish matters	£ 250.00

The Clerk was asked to confirm the sum in the Parish accounts available for investment and the possible interest rates.

58 Village Hall

Bookings are now reducing for the summer holiday.

It was agreed that opportunities to reduce cost by moving to dual fuel should be investigated. The Clerk was asked to enquire of CDC as to whether they had any fuel bulk buying scheme.

Bill McDowell agreed to look at CCTV options for the Village Hall.

The Chairman reported he had visited buildings in Thame to look at metal over roofing. It was agreed he should ask about guttering height, and also roof security should the Council install CCTV. It was suggested that initially the Parish Council look at removing the old ceiling to see if a better airflow will reduce condensation. Martin Byrne agreed to have a look.

59 Correspondence

The ROSPA safety check will be carried out in July.

60 Village Green

Top soil should be put on the surface during July.

61 Public Participation

The Parish Council were shown a letter from the Langford Medical Practice stating that the surgery were proposing to reduce the opening hours of their branch in Ambrosden. The Council were concerned that these proposals did not take into account the new development in the area, with its consequential increase in population. The Chairman agreed to write to NHS England expressing the Parish Council's views.

62 Any Other Business

It was reported that the dog bin has been broken off its holder – but has now been replaced.

The Council recognised the valuable role Mr Hallchurch (OCC Councillor) had played in concerns over policing in the Village, and questioned whether it would be appropriate to ask him to become involved again.

63 Date of the next meeting

5th August 2014.

ACTION REGISTER

Date	Action	By
2/4/13	Liaise with police	LS
2/7/13	Advise CDC of breaches re motocross	all
7/8/13	Collate reports of crimes in village	all
6/6/14	Refer bus stop obstruction to OCC	AD
6/6/14	Raise club membership with Bardwell	AD
1/7/14	Write to Bardwell re parking	AD
1/7/14	Report state of footpath Murcott Rd to Woodpiece Road to OCC	AD
1/7/14	Investigate CCTV options	BM
1/7/14	Remove some old ceiling of VH	MB
1/7/14	Write to NHS England re GP practice	JC