

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 3rd
NOVEMBER 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: John Cooper (in the chair), Martin Byrne, Lee Savidge , Rob Hill and Paul Wilson

APOLOGIES: David Hughes (CDC) Tim Hallchurch (OCC)

ALSO PRESENT:

91. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

92. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th October 2015 were agreed as drawn.

93. Matters discussed at earlier meetings

It was reported that concerns over maintenance of the ditch at Buchanan Court have been reported to Cherwell District Council and the Clerk has reported the rats seen in Green Lane for investigation by Environmental Health.

After discussion the Clerk was asked to contact the MOD to see what arrangements they would make for the Parish Council to hold a meeting on one of their sites – including access for the public and parking.

Councillors were concerned that residents in the new houses did not receive the Parish News and therefore did not know what was going on. The Chairman agreed to contact Parish Matters to see if the village could receive another 50 copies to ensure a wider distribution.

94. Highway and Footpath matters

Councillors were concerned at reports of vehicles parking on the corner of Woodpiece Road, obstructing visibility for drivers. As weather deteriorates there was concern that verges would become damaged. The Chairman reported that David Hughes had indicated to him that a CDC officer will be

visiting Woodpiece Road one evening during the week commencing 9th November 2015. It was agreed that the Parish would ask CDC to produce some viable options to resolve the problems in Woodpiece Road by the end of November 2015.

The Clerk was asked to refer the parking issue, which was obstructing both the road at the corner and the dropped kerb to PC Caroline Brown.

The Clerk was asked to request assistance from the MOD to stop the inappropriate use of the footpath by the Motocross and “C” site.

95. Motocross

CDC have asked the site operator to send his schedule of dates for agreement before 31st December 2015.

96. SSE Resilience Fund

Ongoing.

97. Planning Applications

None.

98. Planning Decisions

99. Finance

The current financial position of the Parish Council is shown in Appendix 1.

The Parish Council resolved to open an Instant Access Savings Account with the Cambridge Building Society and invest the sum of £75,000 in the account.

The Council agreed to delegate to the Clerk the ability to take decisions (including to spend money up to the sum of £500).

Cheques were signed as follows :-

Piddington Parish Council (error)	101441	£500.00
Mr M Dempsey Grass	101442	£360.00

Cambridge Building Society(deposit)	101443	£75,000
Empower (solar panels)	101444	£11969
Hayward Masonry Ltd (Memorial)	101445	£ 4717.98

100. Councillor's Report

No Councillors present..

101. Village Hall

The VHC has about £8500 in its savings account, the ACA has £6900 in its savings account and £2000 in its current account. Lettings are continuing with regular users.

Following an riotous 16th Birthday party the Committee has decided to hold no parties for ages between 11 and 21. As it took half a day to clean the Village Hall afterwards the hirer's deposit was retained.

Future planned events are Children's party, Hogmany and Valentine's parties, and a race night.

The Parish Council agreed that the Village Hall Committee could erect signs indicating Arcott Village Hall.

The Chairman confirmed that the Solar system had been installed a week ago, and he is now waiting for the Empower information pack. The Hall has been surveyed and has an energy rating of "C".

It was agreed that the Committee would seek 3 quotes for radiator heating, and would also look for quotes to replace the brick cladding on the exterior of the hall. The Parish Council agreed to the request from the mobile fish and chip shop to install an outdoor plug by the hard standing. Martin Byrne agreed to carry out the installation work.

102. Noticeboard

The Council agreed to look at an extra Noticeboard near the new houses, and to look at refurbishing the remaining Noticeboards in the Village.

103. War Memorial

The War memorial should be fully installed by 6th November 2015. Plaques are ready for collection and there is alpine grit to spread between the memorial and the slabs.

The Council agreed in principle to install bollards from Print Run to the end of the Memorial. .

104. Bus Stops

The Council agreed to look at the condition of the bus stops and consider what remedial work is appropriate.

105. Correspondence

The Council noted OCC's invitation to a budget consultation on 9th November and CDC's Liaison with Parishes meeting on 11th November, but no Councillors were available to attend.

The Council noted the correspondence from Wendlebury Gate Stables, confirmed that they support efforts of local businesses, but regretted that they did not feel there was any action they could take that the land owner had not already taken.

106. Public Participation

- A resident expressed an interest in becoming a parish Councillor. He was asked to submit a note indicating briefly his experience and interest.
- The Clerk was asked to raise with the MOD the Council's concerns over 6 separate explosions that took place on 2nd November which were not only very loud, but also were adjacent to the public highway and footpath.
- It was reported that members of the garrison were playing organised sport on the Playing Field at 10.30am on 29th October.
- Concern was expressed that the retaining wall by the new houses in Woodpiece Road is out of character for an open Plan estate.
- The Clerk was asked to draw Sanctuary's attention to the damage caused when a car went into one of the garages at Buchanan Court. The damaged area has been fenced off, but it does require repair.

107. Any Other Business

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about availability and cost of professional support to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan.

It was suggested that the Council should look for alternative handyman support as Mr Dempsey has a lot of work outstanding.

108. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 1st December 2015.

Chairman

**Appendix 1
Monthly Financial
Report**

Arcott Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting

03 November 2015

Payments processed since last meeting

£6,534.42

06-Oct-15	CDC	1428	£384.38
06-Oct-15	Bucks CC	1429	£15.84
06-Oct-15	Agility Surveys	1430	£330.00
06-Oct-15	ROSPA	1431	£163.20
06-Oct-15	BDO LLP	1432	£240.00
06-Oct-15	Royal British legion	1433	£25.00
06-Oct-15	Mr F Milloy	1434	£140.00
06-Oct-15	Mr M Dempsey	1435	£755.00
08-Oct-15	Empower	1436	£3,989.00
14-Oct-15	Chris Drewett Signs	1437	£492.00

Receipts processed since last meeting

£500.00

12-Oct-15	Gigaclear	£500.00
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Bank Reconciliation

Statement dated

30 October 2015

Current account

£134,558.89

Items not yet cleared:

Receipts None

Payments Royal British legion

£25.00

Action register

Date	Action	Who by
7/7/15	Agree locations of dog bins	MB/LS
6/10/15	Ask CDC re ownership of ditch	AD
6/10/15	Remove loose panel in bus shelter	LS
3/11/15	Contact MOD re meeting	AD
3/11/15	Ascertain availability of addition copies of Parish news	JC
3/11/15	Report parking on corner of WP rd to police	AD
3/11/15	Ask MOD for help re use of footpath	AD
3/11/15	Complete Cambridge Building Society forms	4 Councillors
3/11/15	Quotes for VH heating	JC
3/11/15	Quotes for VH cladding	JC
3/11/15	Install o/s plug	MB
3/11/15	Contact Carpenter re Noticeboard	
3/11/15	Review condition of bus stops	PW

