

CREATON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
11TH SEPTEMBER 2018
MINUTES

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Minutes of a Meeting of Creaton Parish Council
Held on Tuesday 11th September 2018
in the Village Hall, Creaton at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs James Hill (Chair), Sylvia Winter (Vice Chair), Michelle Aveyard, Geoff White, Maxene Atkinson and Susan Leggett.

In attendance: Katrina Jones (Clerk), County Councillor Cecile Irving-Swift, District Cllr Kevin Parker, Linda Toombs (member of planning committee) and four members of the public.

63. Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Anna Hughes and Christopher Reading.

64. Declarations of Interest: None.

65. To Confirm Minutes of Meeting: It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd July 2018 as a true and accurate record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

66. Public Forum (15 mins): A member of the public spoke regarding the closure of Creaton Primary School and asked that the Parish Council request that the school be made a community asset.

A member of the Playing Field Association spoke to complain that they had not been consulted in advance of the nomination of the playing field as a Public Open Space as part of the Daventry District Council Settlements and Countryside Local Plan and also spoke about the problem of dog fouling and large quantities of dog waste in the litter bins. They also spoke regarding item 73.

A member of the public spoke regarding the requested donation to the Royal British Legion for the Parish Council poppy wreath at item 85.b.vi.

County Councillor Cecile Irving-Swift spoke at length and answered councillors' questions regarding the closure of Creaton Primary School and spoke about the county and district councils being replaced by new unitary authorities in 2020.

67. To Consider and Agree Response to Daventry District Council's Email Regarding Possibility of Joining with Cottesbrooke as Part of the Community Governance Review Being Carried Out By Daventry District Council: It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would be interested in finding out more about what would be involved and what the responsibilities would be.

68. **To Agree to Spend Proportion of CIL money on Speed Display Signs and Any Required Actions:** It was **RESOLVED** that no action was required at present and that this would be included in the budget discussions.
69. **To Agree to Purchase a Bench, Agree Location and Any Required Actions:** It was **RESOLVED** not to apply for a war memorial bench from Daventry District Council and to include this as an item in the budget discussions.
70. **To Receive Update on Great Creaton Primary School, Consider Future Prospects and Agree Any Actions to be Taken by the Parish Council:** It was noted that Northamptonshire County Council had decided to close the school and that it was due to close in December. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would write to the school asking them to cut back the overhanging hedges, brambles and ivy on Violet Lane.
71. **To Agree Memorial Applications for the late Ena Webb and the late Grace Dunkley:** It was **RESOLVED** to approve both of the memorial applications.
72. **To Nominate Up To Two Delegates to Attend Northants CALC AGM on Saturday 6th October 2018, Agree Voting Delegate and Consider Submitting Any Motions:** It was **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Maxene Atkinson and Michelle Aveyard would be nominated to attend and that Cllr Aveyard would have voting rights. It was **RESOLVED** not to submit a motion.
73. **To Agree Grant Request from the Playing Field Association:** It was **RESOLVED** to approve, in principle, a grant of up to £500 towards the Playing Field Association's legal costs for renewing the lease on the playing field.
74. **To Note and Consider Any Action Regarding the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator Leaving:** It was noted that this vacancy had been advertised on the Parish Council Facebook page and in the Village Link newsletter.
75. **To Agree Date of October Litter Pick:** It was **RESOLVED** to hold the litter pick on Saturday 13th October 2018 at 10am-12pm and that Cllr Aveyard would request the litter picking equipment from DDC and the Clerk would ask if Poppies coffee shop could open that morning. An alternative date of 20th October was agreed if 13th October could not go ahead.
76. **To Receive Update on Creaton Heritage Lottery Bid:** Cllr Aveyard provided an update and it was agreed that Cllr Aveyard would advise the Heritage Lottery Fund that the Parish Council would be the project manager and that the Parish Council were willing to provide a contingency of 10%.
77. **To Note Complaints Regarding the Playing Field and Agree Any Action:** It was noted that there was an issue with dog fouling on the playing field and that large quantities of dog waste were being put in litter bins by the playing field, possibly taken from residents' own homes. Cllr Aveyard advised that an article had been included on this in the village link newsletter and the DDC dog warden will be taking measures.
78. **To Receive Update and Agree Any Action Required Regarding the Creation of Parish Council Email Addresses:** It was **RESOLVED** that councillors would try the new parish council email addresses linked to the village website and then decide at the next Parish Council meeting if they wish to adopt them permanently.

- 79. To Consider Letter from MP, Chris Heaton- Harris and Agree Any Action or Response Regarding Bus Service:** It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Hughes would be asked to respond to the letter from the MP regarding the buses by 13th September, as she had the most knowledge on the subject.
- 80. To Agree Repair to Lychgate Street Light:** It was **RESOLVED** to agree the costs of repairing the Lychgate Street Light estimated to be £75.
- 81. To Agree Any Action Regarding Rats on The Green:** It was **RESOLVED** to defer this item to the next agenda and to monitor the situation.
- 82. To Agree Action Regarding Overhanging Trees on The Jetty/ Horseshoe Close Footpath Obscuring Street Light No.16 and Creating a Blackspot:** It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would write a letter to the owner of the tree requesting that they cut back the overhanging tree.
- 83. To Agree Response to Daventry District Council Regarding the Settlements and Countryside Local Plan (Part 2):** It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council had no further response to submit to this document.
- 84. Planning:**
- a. **Decision Notice: DA/2018/0430 3, Horseshoe Close, Creaton, Northamptonshire, NN6 8NW: Single storey side/front extension and porch. Rear balcony deck with patio doors. Planning Permission Granted.** Noted.
- b. **DA/2011/0666 Land At Brampton Lane, Boughton, Northamptonshire: To Be Considered by DDC Planning Committee on 12th September 2018.** Noted.
- c. **DA/2018/0767: Bryn Carreg 24A, The Green, Creaton, Northamptonshire, NN6 8ND: Remove one tree and works to one tree within a conservation area:** It was **RESOLVED** that there were no comments or objection to this application.
- 85. Finance**

Bank Balance on Bank Statement as at 31st August 2018 **£**

Business Reserve Account **38,420.89**
Current Account **336.00**

a. Receipts **£**

i. Interest (29.06.18)	1.57
ii. Interest (31.07.18)	1.73
iii. Interest (31.08.18)	1.65
iv. Mowing grant	450.27
v. Burial & Memorial fees	136.00

b. Payments for Approval: **£**

i. Calico UK for website domain renewal	24.00
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ii. Village Link for August/September edition	50.00
iii. R & G for grass cutting (invoices dated: 28/8/19 (August) -£558.64; 30/7/18 (May/June) – £749.50; 30/7/18 (July) - £751.58)	2059.72
iv. Katrina Jones (Clerk salary and home use payment July and August 2018 paid by standing order)	750.22
v. Katrina Jones for backdated pay to April 2018 due to national pay increase for clerks	22.61
vi. Royal British Legion for donation for Parish Council poppy wreath	50.00
vii. Eon for street light upgrades	2224.80
viii. HMRC	8.80
ix. Eon for electricity supply	263.59

It was **RESOLVED** to approve all of the above payments.

- c. **To Receive List of Payments and Receipts and Approve Bank Reconciliation:** A list of payments and receipts was circulated to the Parish Councillors.

86. AOB (Points of Information)

- a. Cllr Leggett reported that she had been advised by a member of staff at the new village shop that the defibrillator should be two minutes from the shop and she said will investigate this further. She will also try and obtain a sign for the shop and renew the writing on the sign outside the village hall stating the location of the defibrillator.
- b. Cllr Aveyard advised that she will make enquiries on the possibility of a face to face meeting with LGSS regarding outstanding issues with a previous Parish Clerk's pension.

- 87. To Note Next Meeting: Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 6th November 2018:**
Noted.

Meeting closed at 10.04pm.