

Quinton Parish Council

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 11th January 2017

Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr David White (Chairman)

Cllr Caroline Barton

Cllr Paul Milliken

Cllr Kully Kumari

Cllr Chris Watson

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Izzi Seccombe and 1 member of the public

1	Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllr Junie Tong-Clark and accepted by the Council.
2	Declaration of interests There were no declarations of interest.
3	Questions from the public: A request was received from a member of the public about the hedge at the back of the playing field. It was agreed that the Council would contact the landowner and ask him to cut back the hedge. The Chairman varied the agenda order to enable the Council to receive:
10	Any matters from the District or County Councillor: Cllr Seccombe reported that Warwickshire County Council had accepted the four year settlement proposed by the Government. Although this would result in the Government grant being reduced by 67 million pounds, the County Council felt that accepting a one year settlement could result in even more stringent cuts. As Conservative councillors do not have a majority in the County Council, any proposals put forward will need to be approved by other groups. Cllr Seccombe hopes that their proposals, namely to continue investing in child social workers, Adult Social Care provision and business development, will be met with approval by the whole Council. The Chairman asked about the proposed pedestrian crossing over the B4632, but Cllr Seccombe reported that due to financial cuts, no progress had been made on this.
4	Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting of the 2 nd November 2016 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.
5	Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:

	There were no matters arising.	
6	<p>Hedgerows/footpaths/rights of way:</p> <p>Following representations made by the Rights of Way officer in Warwickshire County Council to the relevant landowners, it appeared that the majority of the broken stiles and fences had been removed or mended. Those not yet dealt with were the hedges surrounding the playing field, and the hedge alongside the school in Aylscote Close. It was agreed that the Council would contact the landowner and the school in an effort to address these problems.</p>	
7	<p>The Fordway playground:</p> <p>No response had been received from Ludus concerning the cracked surface of the Fordway play area. The clerk was asked to contact them again.</p> <p>Cllr Barton reported on an encounter she had had with a resident exercising his dog on Quinton playing field, who had behaved in an abusive manner towards her, and had refused to identify himself. It was agreed that an article should be placed in St. Swithin's News requesting members of the public to respect the prohibition against dogs on the playing field.</p> <p>The Council discussed the findings of the annual playground inspection of the Fordway and Quinton play grounds. A number of items were identified that required attention: i) It was agreed that the ground matting under the play equipment needed to be replaced. The clerk was asked to obtain estimates for this work. ii) The mound on Quinton playing field required maintenance. Advice would be sought from Quinton garage on the best method of effecting this. iii) The sharp edges on the tables and goal posts on Quinton playing field had been identified as a possible hazard, and the Council would seek advice on the best method of remedying this. iv) The clerk was asked to obtain estimates for raising the canopy of an overhanging tree.</p>	
8	<p>Any matters from the Chairman:</p> <p>There were no matters from the Chairman.</p>	
9	<p>Speed visors:</p> <p>No funding was available to assist in the purchase of speed visors. It was therefore resolved to purchase one visor and three posts for installation. The visor would be moved from pole to pole as necessary. It was agreed that Cllr Milliken would contact the Community Police Office to ask for advice on the most suitable location for the poles. The Highways Authority would then be approached for permission.</p>	
11	<p>Precept:</p> <p>The Council considered the draft precept document, previously circulated. After discussion, it was resolved to request the sum of £25,120 as Parish Council precept.</p>	
12	<p>Planning applications</p> <p>Parish Councillors noted the following planning applications submitted since the last Parish Council meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 16/03537/COUQ Lime Tree House, Upper Quinton: prior approval notification for the proposed change of use of 2 agricultural buildings to 1 dwelling house and ancillary garage, associated curtilage and building operations (Class QA and QB). ii) 16/02923/FUL The Cottage, Upper Quinton: proposed new dwelling on land adjacent to The Cottage. iii) 16/02846/FUL Lower Clopton Farm: Full application for new access. 	

	<p>iv) 16/03430/FUL Morningside Cottage, Upper Quinton: Full application for a new dwelling and access.</p> <p>v) 16/03868/VARY Land at corner of Main Road: Variation of condition 15 of outline planning permission 14/01449/OUT (all matters reserved except access) for the erection of up to 44 dwellings, public open space, associated infrastructure with new access ways from Goose Lane dated 8 September 2015 to provide amended Flood Risk Assessment ref: AAC 5300 Issue 3 (dated 26 October 2016) with supporting amended plan RPS Drawing ACC5300 SK1 rev B (dated 28 September 2016)</p> <p>vi) 16/03680/REM Long Marston Storage Depot, Lower Quinton: Reserved matters application (access, layout, scale, layout and landscaping) to substitute plots 27-30 (affordable housing units) of Phase 3A approved under Reserved Matters Application 15/01357/REM dated 14 September 2015 pursuant to outline planning permission reference 12/00484/VARY dated 31 October 2012 with 4 open market housing units.</p> <p>vii) 16/03537/FUL 1 Manor Barn, Upper Quinton: Proposed alteration to external appearance of barn. Insertion of roof lights to front and rear. Internal alterations to walls and doors.</p> <p>No representations were made with respect to these applications.</p> <p>To receive any results of planning applications: The Parish Council noted the following planning decisions which had been notified since its last meeting:</p> <p>i) 16/03537/COUQ Lime Tree House, Upper Quinton: Permission refused.</p> <p>13 Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Watson reported that he had received three expressions of interest from residents following the article in St. Swithin's Newsletter. He hoped they would be able to establish a working party to begin considering a Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>14 St. Swithin's News: It was resolved to donate the sum of £1,000 to assist in the production costs of the newsletter.</p> <p>15 Reports from Council members on outside bodies: Cllr Milliken reported that a Quinton resident had made an application to the John Cooper Foundation.</p> <p>16 To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter. The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record.</p> <p>17 To receive any correspondence There was no correspondence to be noted.</p> <p>18 Councillors' reports and items for future agenda None.</p> <p>19 Accounts for payment and finance Matters The following payments were noted and approved:</p>	
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- a) Thomas Fox grass cutting - £144.00
- b) Clerk's salary November - £***
- c) Clerk's salary December - £***
- d) Staples (stationery) - £29.57
- e) Village Hall Hire - £54.00
- f) Monarch's Way Association (donation) - £40.00
- g) Admington Parish Council (contribution to training course) - £15.00

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Date of next meeting Wednesday March 2017



