

GRANGE PARK PARISH COUNCIL

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Grange Park, Northampton NN4 5FZ

Parish Council: 01604 702938

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8th JUNE 2015 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, GRANGE PARK.

Present: Cllrs M Smith (Ch.), S Dawson (Vc.) S Ash, D Harris, A Walker, M Aluko, S Allen, K Clarke, S Clifford and J Davis.

Attending: Mrs T Sampson (Parish Clerk).

Prior to the meeting there was a presentation by 2commune regarding the updating of our website.

15/81 Public Questions

81.1 None

15/82 County/District Councillors Report

82.1 No report received.

82.2 The following report was received from District Councillors Adil Sadygov and Simon Clifford :

- Howdens planning application has been withdrawn
- New Leader of the Council has been appointed
- It was noted that our district councillors are on the following committees:
Cllr Sadygov- Scrutiny and Finance - Cllr Clifford Scrutiny, Finance and Grants Panel

15/83 Apologies for Absence

83.1 Apologies were received and accepted from County Councillor Michael Clarke , Parish Councillors Steve Allen and Nigel Stansfield.

15/84 Declaration of Members Interest

84.1 Cllr J Davies declared an interest in the Grant request from Grange Park Rangers (Item 88.4)

15/85 Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 14th May 2015

- 85.1 The Council agreed and approved the minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 14th May 2015 and signed them as a true record.
- 85.2 The Council approved and adopted the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish held on the 14th May 2015.
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- 85.4 Cllr S Clifford challenged minute reference 15/67.1 in relation to the non-acceptance of his attendance at the meeting dated 14 May 2015. He reiterated to the Council the reasons for his absence and the disappointment that these had not been accepted . The Council noted his comments .

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15/86

Chairman's Report

- 86.1 No report received.
- 86.2 Cllrs Smith and Dawson updated the Council on the recent meeting they had with Grange Park Rangers and the following items were discussed:
- Organising an end of season event on the 5th July , using the café/bar area of the community centre with a buffet . It was agreed that the bar staff will arrange do a buffet for this event.
Action: Parish Clerk
 - 10th Anniversary of the Club on 6th June 2015 at Foxfields Country Park. It was agreed that they could borrow the BBQ
 - Signs to be erected at Foxfields Pavilion illustrating the home of Grange Park Football and Cricket Club . These signs may need planning permission.
 - To use the café/bar at lunchtime on Sundays 12.30pm -3.30pm (dates yet to be agreed)
- 86.3 The list for Lead Councillors were circulated and completed. The Parish Clerk will circulate once it has been typed up.
Action: Parish Clerk
- 86.4 Cllr S Clifford reported that as a newly elected councillor it may be worth considering certain projects going forward and also to put some of our procedure/policies on our website and seek public opinion . It was Pointed out that the Parish Council have already considered a 4 year plan indicating our delivery of projects and financial implications

15/87

Parish Clerk's Report

- 87.1 The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that SNC have sent a questionnaire to us requesting information on the Parish Services we offer with a view to formulating a page on their website with an overview of all the District Facilities.

15/88

Finance

- 88.1 The Parish Council agreed and approved the accounts for May 2015. (Appendix 1 of these minutes).
- 88.2 It was noted that a copy of our Financial Risk Assessment and Regulations have been sent to our external auditor for approval .
- 88.3 It was noted that the end of year Internal Auditor's report has been circulated to all members of the Council and 'No further Actions' were required.
- 88.4 The Parish Council considered a grant request from Grange Park Rangers Football Club . After a brief discussion it was agreed that we would donate £250.00 using the Council powers (*Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976 s.19)*)

15/89

Planning, Highways and Transportation

- 89.1 The following planning applications were received and considered:
- Location: 6 Woodlands, Grange Park
Proposal: Part garage conversion to habitable (retrospective)
Observations: No comment
- Can be viewed on : <http://snc.planning-register.co.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=75766>
- 89.2 No approval/refusal planning decision notices were received.

15/90

Community Centre, Foxfield & Bowling Green

- 90.1 It was agreed that we would have a working group meeting on 11th June 2015 to discuss all the details for the 'Summer Fest' which will be held at Foxfields Country Park on Sunday 30th August 2015.

- 90.2 Cllr S Dawson informed the Council that he had a meeting with Oasis to discuss the possibility of purchasing hall liners for the main hall. After considering the options it was felt that due to storage, staffing resources, cleaning and the amount of time required to install them for each event that we need to look at a better solution.
- 90.3 The caretaking staff are looking into the purchasing of a noise limiter for the Pavilion Hall that is the same as the one currently used in the main hall at the community centre.
- 90.4 In the absence of Cllr N Stansfield, Cllr S Ash gave a verbal report and tabled some price increases to the beverages we currently sell in the café/bar. Due to time constraints it was agreed that all Councillors give the prices some thought and feedback any comments by Wednesday 10th June 2015. If no comments were received it was agreed to implement these prices and enter them onto our new EPOS system once it arrives.

15/91

Administration & Staffing

- 91.1 No staffing issues to report
- 91.2 The Parish Council agreed that the Parish Administrator will not be continuing the CilCA Course with immediate effect. The Parish Clerk was asked to inform NCALC of the decision and look into a refund or credit on the account.
Action: Parish Clerk

15/92

Environment

- 92.1 Contract 5 log sheets were circulated to all councillors for information. It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would liaise with R&G on a weekly basis to ensure all the actions have been completed.

15/93

Communication

- 93.1 It was noted that the Grange Park Newsletters will be circulated in July prior to the Summer Fest.
- The Parish Council discussed the renewal of the Website contract and also a brief discussion took place on the presentation given tonight from 2commune. It was agreed to delegate Cllr Simon Clifford to look into alternative contracts/systems and bring back any information to the next meeting in July for consideration.
Action: Cllr S Clifford
- 93.2 It was noted that the 'Quiz Night' date has been changed to the 17th June 2015. The Parish Council will review further dates.

15/94

Correspondence

- 94.1 No correspondence received.

15/95

Administration & Service Request

- 95.1 No request received.

15/96

Date of the Next Meeting

- 96.1 The Next Parish Council meeting will be held on the 2nd July 2015 at 7.30pm in the small hall at the Community Centre.

Apologies received from Mike Aluko due to holiday commitments

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 22.00hrs .