

Minutes of Abthorpe Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
at 7:45pm in the Old School, Abthorpe

Present: Councillors: M Perrigo (Chairman), M Berry, K Fenwick, D, Cambray, A Hammon, F Noble, M Greenhalgh, T. Emerton Parish Clerk

1. **Appointment of new Councillors**  
Councillor F Noble and M Greenhalgh were appointed and the documentation was signed.
2. **To receive and approve apologies for absence**  
There were no apologies.
3. **Members declaration of interest for items on the agenda**  
No declarations of interest were made.
4. **To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018.**  
These were accepted and signed.
5. **To note any matters arising from the minutes**

Action No.	Description	Action
Mar 2017 – 001	Clerk to arrange to download of data from the Speed sign onto the Parish Laptop	Action Ongoing - Councillor Fenwick has identified a new cable cheaper and it was agreed to purchase one. <b>Cable has been purchased.</b>
Jan 2018 – 005 4.1	Payment of bills	Chairman Perrigo is awaiting a mandate to request access for the Clerk.
Feb 2018 – 008 005	Moving and replacement of the bench on the green	The current bench on the green is broken. Clerk to obtain quotes to swap this bench with the one that has been repaired and to move the bench near the telephone box.
April 2018 – 008	Insurance quotes	The mower requires road insurance, Clerk to obtain quotes.
June 2018 - 007 007	New Homes Bonus	Application is currently being put together to request funding for The Old School refurbishment work. <b>Closed - now being followed up by The Old School.</b>
June 2018 - 008 002	Maintenance of the War Memorial	Clerk to ask for the repairs to start and be completed before November 11th 2018.
June 2018 - 008 003	Maintenance of the Village Notice Board	Chairman Perrigo and Councillor Greenhalgh will complete the clearance of weeds and the sanding and revarnishing.
June 2018 - 008 004	Battery change of the Defibrillator	Clerk to find out how often the battery and pads needs replacing.
September 2018 - 006 001	Transfer money into Business Account	Chairman Perrigo to transfer £5k from Treasurer Account to Business Account.
September 2018 - 007 002	Ownership of grit bins	Clerk to respond and challenge the removal of the Council ownership of filling the grit bin at the entrance of Silver Street.
September 2018 - 007 003	Battery for speed sign	Councillor Cambray to swap the battery set and find out cost for replacement batteries.
September 2018 - 009 001	Support with activity for WW1 Centenary Commemorations	Clerk to work with the Church committee and come back with a proposal. The Parish Council agreed to fund a Wreath.
September 2018 - 009 002	Broken / unsafe Stile	Clerk to contact Barry Haycock and Mr Lee to discuss the possibility of removing the stile that connects their fields.

6. Finance
  1. Cash in bank (as of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018)
    - Treasurer's Account £9735.54
    - 30 Day Business Account £879.11
    - Petty Cash - £31.00

The balances were agreed. It was agreed to move £5k from the Treasures Account to the Business Account to gain interest.

2. Invoices for payment

Item no.	Payment to	Description	Net	VAT	Tax
5.3.1	Tina Emerton	Ink for printer	8.73	1.75	

The invoice was agreed to be paid.

7. Specific items for discussion

1. Update on the consultation on Local Government Reorganisation.  
Chairman Perrigo discussed that the two Councils are currently putting together their plans ready for the reorganisation. There is no further update.
2. Country Wide Review of Grit Bins.  
The council discussed the removal of the maintaining of the grit bins by the Council for two of our three grit bins. It was agreed that we were happy for the removal of the maintenance for the grit bin between Abthorpe and Wappenham as the bin is not there anyway, however the scoring for the grit bin at the entrance to Silver Street was not agreed and should be challenged. Clerk to contact and raise our objection.
3. Speed sign battery.  
Councillor Cambray to swap over the batteries and obtain cost for a replacement.
4. NCALC AGM attendance on Saturday 6 October 2018 from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. at the Moulton Community Centre.  
It was agreed there will be no attendance.
8. Correspondence  
A correspondence was received from The Rt Hon. Andrea Leadson MP discussing the reorganisation of the Council. Her letter just clarified what has already been published.
9. Any other business
  1. It was discussed if we would like to support with activity for WW1 Centenary Commemorations. Clerk to come back to next meeting with suggestions, it was agreed to fund a Wreath.
  2. Councillor Noble discussed a stile that is in an unsafe condition between Mr Haycock and Mr Lees field. Clerk to discuss with both to see if its needed and can be removed.
10. Close  
The meeting was closed at 20.30pm

Signed

Date

(Chairman Perrigo)

Dates of next meetings

Monday 29th October 2018  
Monday 10th December 2018  
Monday 21st January 2019  
Monday 4th March 2019  
Monday 15th April 2019  
Monday 20th May 2019