

**GREAT CRANSLEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Parish Council meeting**  
**held at 7.00pm on 13 June 2024**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Richard Barnwell Jane Mann Parish Clerk  
Cllr Stuart Ablett Four members of the public  
Cllr Amanda Bussey  
Cllr Colin Spickett  
Cllr David Whalley

**24.21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Emily James and Richard Smyth.

**24.22 PUBLIC SESSION**

The owner of Squires Lodge Farmhouse spoke on his planning application, 2024/0248, which was to be discussed. He then left the meeting and did not wish to stay to hear the discussion.

**24.23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Barnwell declared an interest in planning application, 2024/0248.

**24.24 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING HELD 9 MAY 2024**

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as accurate.

**24.25 PLANNING**

- i. The planning application, 2024/0248 for Squires Lodge Farmhouse was reviewed and after discussion Cllr Bussey raised an objection, which was seconded by Cllr Whalley and agreed by Cllrs Ablett and Spickett. Other new applications for tree work at Cransley Hall and Holly Tree Cottage were noted.
- ii. No decision has been made yet on the appeal for the Church Lane development 2022/0543.
- iii. The clerk provided an update on the status of existing applications. There were no updates on planning enforcement issues raised.

**24.26 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE**

An update was received from Joanna Mowat. It was explained that the Regulation 14 stage would begin in September with open days taking place that month. Councillors expressed their thanks to the steering group.

**24.27 NORTHANTS COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

There were no NNC Councillors in attendance.

**24.28 FINANCE:**

- i. The clerk reported on the current financial situation as at 13 June following the movement of funds, £6,878.36 from the Treasurers account to the Contingency account:

Neighbourhood Plan account	£1,824.04
Treasurers account	£9,784.76
Contingency account	£12,365.82
<b>Total</b>	<b>£23,974.62</b>

- ii. Previously authorised payments made following the last meeting were reported:
  - Clerk's May salary £402.87 and HMRC statutory deductions £100.80
  - Zurich Insurance £568.93
- iii. A schedule of payments due was authorised:
  - i. Clerk's salary and HMRC statutory deductions for June
  - ii. Clerk's expenses for May and June
  - iii. NCALC training £50.40
- iv. It was agreed to make a grant application for Community Support Funding for a ramp and lighting for the village hall. **Action point-Cllr Bussey to liaise with Village Hall Committee.**
- v. Expenditure for Local Administration 'Yellow book' was approved. It was suggested that this expense could be shared with Loddington Parish Council. **Action point-Clerk to follow this up.**

**24.29 Progress reports from previous meetings:**

- i. As some Councillors were not present a decision regarding change of website was deferred.
- ii. It was noted that the right of way issue had now been resolved.
- iii. GCPC were still awaiting quotes for painting work and church clock work.

**24.30 To receive an update from Parish Councillors on their specific roles:**

- i. The outstanding highways issues, drainage and street lighting were being followed up. Cllr Bussey had also reported village bridleways issues.
- ii. The website had been previously discussed.
- iii. The defibrillator was in working order.
- iv. Cllr Spickett reported that there had not been a Police Liaison meeting with the new Commissioner.
- v. Cllr James had previously reported that all footpath issues were now in order.
- vi. Cllr Barnwell provided an update on Neighbourhood Watch.

**24.31 To receive an update on village matters:**

- i. Cllr Barnwell provided an update on CVMHC matters.
- ii. The War Memorial land registration was still ongoing.
- iii. Celebrations for the church window were being discussed with the new Curate. **Action point RB.**

**24.32 To consider Councillor's training needs**

Cllr James would be attending a Community Engagement course.

**24.33 Cransley Chronicle**

Items for the next Cransley Chronicle edition- voting ID and request for volunteers to join the bus shelter rota. Joanna Mowatt was thanked for printing the June edition.

**24.34 Date of next meetings- 11 July 2024 and 8 August. No meeting to be held in September.**

Request for dog waste bin in Church Lane.

**The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.**

Signed ..... Date .....