**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WILMCOTE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 17th MAY 2017 – NO. 91**

1. **Present:**  Cllr. Ray, Chairman, Cllr. Stewart, Cllr. McMillan, Cllr. Lowis.

**2. Apologies:** Cllr. Fraser, and Cllr. Massey.

**3. Written requests for dispensation for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests where that interest is not already in the register of members’ interests.**

No written requests were received.

**4. Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting and ordinary Parish Council meeting on 15th March 2017:**

These minutes were approved by all members and signed by the Chairman.

**5. Public Participation:**

There were no members of the public present.

**6. County & District Councillor’s reports:**

County Cllr. Horner had provided a report for 2016/2017, this being his final one for Wilmcote Parish Council. The report is attached on page 5.

**7. Annual Accounts of Wilmcote Parish Council:**

The Annual Governance Statement was considered and it was agreed by all that boxes 1 to 8 be ticked as yes and box 9 was not applicable.

The Income & Expenditure account had been circulated prior to the meeting. This was approved by all and signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Ray, and the Responsible Financial Officer.

The Audit Commission Annual Return was duly signed by Cllr. Ray and the Responsible Financial Officer.

**8. Planning Applications: update on status of current applications:**

*Planning Application No. 17/00333/FUL* 65 Aston Cantlow Road: Alteration to property frontage to include application of render and addition of door/window to converted garage. Permission granted.

*Planning Application No. 17/00123/LBC* 4 Old School Lane, Wilmcote: Proposed alterations and single storey rear extension. Application withdrawn.

*Planning Application No. 16/04063/FUL* 165 Aston Cantlow Road*:*

Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of new replacement dwelling. Permission granted.

*Planning Application No. 17/01034/FUL*141 Aston Cantlow Road: Two storey extension to front and single storey to side and rear.

Pending consideration.

Dunroaming Stables, Gospel Oak Lane: It is understood that a planning application has been submitted but has not yet been validated.

**9. Progress report:**

*Security lighting at The Flats, Station Road*: Mr. Jones, Housing Team Manager, Orbit has written confirming that these lights have been turned off and are not to be turned back on until suitable covers have been sourced.

**10. Correspondence:**

- NALC consultation on Government Housing White Paper

- UBUS Community Transport Service information.

- Flood Risk Management Newsletter.

- Notification of The Great Get Together on 17th & 18th June 2017

- Nationwide event to find Britain’s Best Village.

- Code of Conduct Review timetable.

- Advance notification of Mr. Whitfield’s intention to submit a revised planning application for some of the land at The Orchards, Station Road, Wilmcote. This item will be on the agenda for discussion at our next meeting on 19th July 2017.

Correspondence received after the agenda had been circulated:

- A resident from Glebe Estate contacted the Clerk with a request that a shield of some type be fitted to the footway light outside his property to stop it illuminating the master bedroom. E.on were contacted and advised that a rear shield could be installed at a cost of £70.00 plus VAT. It is unclear why this has suddenly started to be problem. It was considered that as the light goes off anyway at around midnight the Parish Council would not be prepared to set a precedent and pay for a shield to be fitted to this light.

- Shakespeare Line Promotion Group membership information.

**11. Community Infrastructure Levy:**

Cllr. Ray had circulated a proposed letter to SDC Chief Executives Dave Webb and David Buckland regarding a possible contribution towards works required adjacent to the school to eliminate risk to parents and children.

It wasproposed by Cllr. Lowis and seconded by Cllr. McMillan that this letter, as it stands, be sent. All other Cllrs. were in agreement.

**12. Willow Wood Play Area update:**

Cllr. McMillan reported that all is good at the play area with no issues to raise.

**13. Neighbourhood Plan update:**

The Regulation 16 consultation conducted by SDC ended recently, only half a dozen representations were received.   The comments were as received following the previous consultation conducted by SDC.

In terms of timings, our NDP has been sent off to the Examiner and she has advised that examination of the plan will more than likely re- commence at the end of May, later than expected due to a current NDP examination overrunning due to unforeseen issues.

**14. Road Traffic items:**

*School Safety Zone*: As per the meeting held earlier this evening.

*Community Speedwatch scheme*: All schemes had been put on hold due to a new Volunteer Vetting form being drawn up by the Police Legal Department. This has now been done and a copy of the form has been distributed to our eleven volunteers. Once completed and returned Cllr. Massey will forward them to PCSO Becky Morris. We should now be able to register with the Speed Watch Programme.

**15. Parish Council Emergency box and Defibrillators:**

*Emergency Plan:* The plan is due to be refreshed by July 2017 and is in the process of being updated following feedback from colleagues, however, needs to be changed over to a new format. We are still waiting for the Emergency Planning and Resilience team to confirm attendance at one of our meetings.

*Defibrillators:* Two defibrillators have now been purchased and installed in the village and are ready for use in the event of an emergency. Training will be held on the 23rd May at Wilmcote Village Hall courtesy of the West Midlands Ambulance Trust. To date fifteen people have expressed an interest in receiving basic life support training.

**16. Payment of outstanding invoices:**

Came & Co. Insurance £ 637.28 (100568)

C. P. Wheeler (grass cutting) 70.00 (100569)

**17. Councillors’ reports and items for the agenda for the next meeting:**

Items for the next agenda to include:

Willow Wood Play Area

Neighbourhood Plan

Road Traffic items

Community Speed Watch scheme

Parish Council Emergency Plan

**18. Date of next meeting:** 19th July 2017.

No further business – Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 p.m.

# County Councillor Report –2016/2017

An independent think tank, “What Works Centre for Wellbeing”, has placed Warwickshire in the top 5 out of 143 local authority areas of the most equal places for wellbeing in the country and Warwickshire County Council is one of the 'Top 100' Apprenticeship Employers in the country.

County Council Tax will increase by 1.99% for general purposes and 2% ring fenced for adult social care. Adult social care is often regarded as just care of the elderly. In fact nationally more than 40% of the adult social care budget is spent on adults aged between 18-64, with 35% being spent [on people with learning disabilities alone](http://www.publicsectorexecutive.com/Search/learning%20disabilities) and Warwickshire will spend

£1m more to extend the successful school safety zones programme, will maintain the Home to School Transport budget, continue investing in LED lighting and maintain the current level of fire cover so that no retained fire-fighter post will be lost. The £67 million reduction in annual Government grant by 2020 will be met by £62 million of annual savings and £5 million taken from accrued reserves. Warwickshire County Council will spend £152 million in each of the next four years each year on adult social care.

Growth in council tax from new housing development will be used to fund road improvement schemes that fall below regional level funding, priority road safety schemes across the County targeted at reducing the numbers killed or seriously injured, LED lighting, “extra care housing”. Warwick town centre will be given a traffic management makeover designed to reduce the serious levels of air pollution and the Warwick University/Stoneleigh junction on the A46 will be upgraded to manage the high volume of traffic going to Jaguar Land Rover and the University.

Trading Standards team have continued to work against fraud and rogue trading throughout the year. Successes have been in Estate Agency, Illegal and dangerous cigarettes, faulty electrical goods and rogue insulation salesmen.

If you are worried about rogue traders Warwickshire Trading Standards has entered in to a new partnership with [No Rogue Traders Here](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMTI2LjY5MTkwMTgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDEyNi42OTE5MDE4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2ODk2MTU5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW1hbmRhd2lsc29ucGF0dGVyc29uQHdhcndpY2tzaGlyZS5nb3YudWsmdXNlcmlkPWFtYW5kYXdpbHNvbnBhdHRlcnNvbkB3YXJ3aWNrc2hpcmUuZ292LnVrJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&105&&&http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/approvedtraders) - an approved trader scheme. ‘No Rogue Traders Here’ puts customers in touch with traders who have been fully vetted. ‘No Rogue Traders Here’ vetted traders include: Builders – Roofers – Plumbers – Double Glazing – Central Heating & Boilers – Electricians – Carpenters – Decorators – Bathrooms – Kitchens – Driveways. They also have handymen who will carry out small jobs. To find out more and register, visit: https://www.noroguetradershere.com/ or phone 0800 233 5000.

The final event of the year was the County Council elections where due to boundary changes Aston Cantlow Division ceased to exist and the parishes being shared between four other divisions. I won Arden with 82% of the votes cast on a turnout of 35%. Mark Cargill won Alcester, Mike Brain won Bidford and Welford, Anne Parry won Wellesbourne and Clive Rickhards won Studley. The Conservatives took overall control with 36 out of 57 seats.

I have enjoyed my time representing Aston Cantlow and look forward to the new challenges Arden Division will bring.

John Horner

For information only:

The following payments were made between meetings:

HMRC (PAYE) £298.80 (100566)

E.on repair 984.00 BACS

E.on maintenance 137.44 BACS

WALC membership 415.27 BACS

Black Pear Electrical (Defibrillator connections) 606.00 BACS

WILLOW WOOD PLAY AREA:

Playground Supplies Ltd (Inv 5343) 72.00 BACS

Playground Supplies Ltd (Inv 5364) 72.00 BACS

G & K Compton 400.00 BACS