

Wolfhampcote Parish Council AGM
Flecknoe Village Hall – 9th June 2016

	<p>Present: April Knapp (Chair) John Lee Jim Bentley Helen King Di Weaver Clerk - Julie Plackett-Smith</p>	<p>Apologies: CClr Roberts Clr Crane</p>	
1	Welcome – April Knapp welcomed and thanked all who had attended.		
2	Election of Chairman & Financial Officer Chairman – April Knapp, proposed by DW seconded JL Financial Officer – John Lee, proposed JB seconded HK		
3	Declarations of Interest None		
4	Approval of Minutes The minutes of the last AGM 28 th May 2015 were approved and signed.		
5	Chairman’s Review See attached		
6	Financial Review See attached		
7	Events The Parish Council Insurance will cover the Picnic & Sports Afternoon – Risk Assessment to be completed The Parish Council Insurance will also cover the Produce Show 3 rd September (Including Car Parking in the Kings’ field) Risk Assessment to be submitted		
8	CCTV Discussion regarding the options with CCTV. Is it something that Parishioners would be interested in as a village project or for individual properties? A meeting will be organised at a later date with the local Crime Prevention Officer, who is willing to discuss options with the Parish Council, which can then be opened up to public discussion if required.		
9	Website On going and nearing completion. John Lee is liaising with Scott Lynch. Meeting to be organised with the Parish Councillors for discussion & training.		
10	Church Donation The Parish Council agreed to donate £150 towards Flecknoe Church funds to help with maintenance. Proposed JL & seconded HK. Andrew Grant expressed his thanks on behalf of the Church.		
11	Programme of Meetings for coming Year Agreed & attached		
12	Urgent Business Drains. Blocked drains in Bush Hill sent water through the allotments and into Vicarage Road and onwards causing flooding to properties and roads. A big thank you was given to all who helped try and clear the drains this week. Highways to be contacted again		JPS

Meeting closed 9.05pm – Next meeting TBA

Wolfhampcote Parish Council Chairman's Review 2015/16

I would like to thank my fellow councillors for their support this year. In particular thanks and appreciation for the hard work of our Clerk Julie Plackett Smith for the help and support she has provided. She has carried out a diverse range of items not on her job description from baking cakes and serving teas for the litter pick, detective work on who looks after the water tanks, to helping parishioners who had been flooded ! Julie is definitely not a one to shy away from challenges. We have a new District Councillor Emma Crane who along with the County Councillor Howard Roberts has attended Parish Council meetings, giving useful input and briefing the Parish Council on the activities of the Borough and County Councils. Thank you

Planning

Various applications have been received including a revised planning application for the Grain Dryer which gained approval of RBC – work has still not started so we wait some progress on site.

Highways

We have seen the 30mph speed limit implemented in Flecknoe. It is a shame the accompanying signs are so big but apparently they are the correct size. We have volunteers to carry out planting around them to make them a little more appealing.

The storm drains still appear to be a problem although various works have been carried out. We will need to wait for the next big rainfall to see if they have worked but the one by the Cricket Field still needs some attention.

Julie seems to have bottomed out the ownership of the water tanks and this has been pointed out to the Executor for the Chinn's along with the fact that the piece of grass at the front does not belong to the house.

Website

John Lee has kindly taken on the challenge of reviewing the Parish website and has also got a willing volunteer Scott Lynch to assist. Hopefully this will be available later this year particularly as we need to publish various pieces of information as part of the Local Government Transparency Code 2014. The village is becoming much more digitally savvy with various Whatsapp Groups and Facebook pages so an easy to use website will complement these.

Litter pick

We held a very successful litter pick and Clean for the Queen event. It was great to see new faces taking part including our District Councillor Emma and her son. I tweeted the event photos which were re-tweeted by Rugby Council and they will possibly use some of the photos as part of their Britain in Bloom campaign.

Village Hall

Thank you to the Village Hall Committee who arranged an Old Boiler event to raise money for a new boiler which has been fitted with the help of a generous grant from Councillor Roberts.

I am sure I have missed something vital from my review so apologies if I have.

Defibrillator

One more positive piece of news is that the village is to be given a refurbished defibrillator by the West Midlands Ambulance Service which I am in the process of purchasing a cabinet for. I had wanted to put it in the phone box but the procedure and time for getting electric connected would have jeopardised the availability of a defibrillator so I am arranging for it to be connected on one of the external walls of the village hall. I would like to thank Claire McGregor and Lucy Olive in particular for kicking off the appeal and residents in the parish that have raised funds so far. We have trained about 24 volunteers in CPR and use of defibrillator and have a waiting list for another course. I have an application with Rugby Borough Council for more funding in order to get one for Sawbridge too and electricity connected to the phone box. If successful we should hear in the next few days although I believe that funds are limited – fingers crossed.

April Knapp

Wolfhampcote Parish Council Financial Review 2016

We submitted and had our accounts approved by our internal auditor at the end of May and by the Parish Council today.

New rules under the Transparency Code for Small Authorities came into effect last year and will impact upon the Parish finances from last years audit.

These have and are being implemented to ensure the Parish Council meets its financial obligations under the Code particularly in regard to publishing on an appropriate website.

The Parish Council continues to be financially strong with funds totaling some £3350 in the bank. This after an busy year of expenditure primarily supporting the Village Hall Car Park and new boiler.

The precept for 2016/7 remains at £3000 which should ensure we have adequate funds for this year.

The repayment of Village Hall loans has continued to the agreed schedule and will be completed at in 2017.

A set of accounts is available for those who wish to inspect them.

Wolfhampcote Parish Council

Council Meetings in 2016/17

8th September 2016

3rd November 2016

5th January 2017

2nd March 2017

6th April 2017

25th May 2017 – **7.30pm**

AGM 25th May 2017 – 8.00pm

All meetings will commence at 8.00pm (unless stated otherwise)

Flecknoe Village Hall

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