

1 Abstention Cllr Moxon

15/2918 To Consider Co-option of Parish Councillor

It was **Resolved** to co-opt Peter Saxton onto the Council. He was invited to join the councillors, but would not be able to vote at this meeting.

Proposed Cllr Brown

Seconded Cllr Parker

All in favour.

15/2920 Public Open Forum

There were no questions or statements from members of the public.

15/2921 To receive the Police Representative Report

The police report was accepted by the Parish Council

Brixworth - ASB

01 May: The Ridings – report of abandoned vehicle.

21 May: Holcot Road – report of cars doing hand brake turns in reservoir car park. Officer attended, no trace.

Brixworth - crime

12 May: High Street – rear number plate taken from vehicle.

16 May: Spratton Road – secure pushbike taken from garden.

15-18 May: Holcot Road – entry made to compound and items taken.

15/2923 To Discuss future cover of Police in Brixworth and whether the Parish Council agree to help fund or part fund the Brixworth Police

It had been reported to the Parish Council by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group that the a new programme was being considered within the Police and that there may be some changes to the structure of the rural police team. It was agreed that the Parish Council would contact the Inspector to find out what effect this would have on Brixworth. During the discussion Claudia Flavell-While received a tweet from the Daventry Rural Safer Community Team that there are currently 3 PCSOs, 3 PCs and a Sergeant within the team and there are no plans to change the team anytime soon.

15/2924 To give an update on legal proceedings

Cllr Parker read out the following statement.

The ET Hearing on 8th June concluded all of the outstanding pre-Hearing issues; the Claimant's application to amend his claim was refused. The judge has now confirmed the substance of the claim that will now go forward to the full Hearing; these are more or less the events of 2013 surrounding the provision of an iPad. The Claimant has paid the Deposit of £250 required by the Court and thus the claim includes those elements where the Judge said there was a low prospect of success. The Claimant, who was not legally represented at the Tribunal and so conducted his own case has indicated that he will be his only witness; the Council is likely to have 8 witnesses. With that in mind, the Tribunal has set 8 days for the Hearing that is likely to be held towards the end of this year. Matters in the County Court relating to the recovery of our costs are also progressing and with the Claimant's counter argument having been dismissed by the Judge, we expect to receive notification soon on our application for a default certificate to recover our costs.

15/2925 To receive an update on the Central Sport Lease progress

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Parish Council solicitor has been in correspondence with the Central Sport solicitor with a proposal for the new lease. The Clerk will contact the Parish Council solicitor to find out when the new lease will be produced. Cllr

Bird informed the meeting that the Central Sport Committee had discussed and agreed the options presented to them. Cllr Bird will send a copy of the names of the Central Sport members, which will appear on the lease, to the Clerk.

15/2926 To Report on resignation of Councillor Joe Hodgson

The Chairman reported that Joe Hodgson had resigned as a Councillor for Brixworth Parish Council. He thanked Joe for the work he had done during the two and a half years he had been a Councillor at Brixworth.

Planning

15/2927 to accept the minutes from the Planning meeting held on 11th May and 1st June 2015

The minutes were accepted.

15/2928 to receive the planning approvals and refusals for May 2015

The planning approvals and refusals for May 2015 were accepted.

Finance

15/2929 Bank Reconciliation as at 31st May 2015

	<u>Cash book balance as statement 31.05.15</u>	<u>Unreconciled report</u>	<u>Total balance</u>
Current Account	10,556.70	810.00	9,746.70
Capital Reserve Account	148,906.80		148,906.80
Total	159,463.50	810.00	158,653.50

15/2930 Parish Council Reserves as at 31st May 2015

Earmarked and Restricted Reserves Total	£92,340.31
Cash at Bank 01/06/2015	£158,653.50
Less Earmarked/Restricted Reserves	£92,340.31
General Reserves Total	£66,313.19

15/2931 Bills for Payment for June 2015

<u>Direct Debit Payments</u>			£
	Payment To	Reason for Payment	
	Raspberry Comm	Clerk Telephone	34.56
<u>Retrospective Approval</u>			
	WG Law	Solicitor Fees	5,391.36
	WG Law	Barrister Fees	1,680.00
Payment			
	Payment To	Reason for Payment	
BACS	Staff	Wages, salaries, PAYE, NI and Pension	5,890.60
BACS	Clerk	Mr J Marshall Expenses	54.50
BACS	Clerk	Mrs E Baker Expenses	203.83
BACS	Sage	Instant Accounts Cover	199.20

BACS	Eon	Lighting Maint.	38.24
BACS	NCALC	Off to a Flying Start Training Cllr Bennett	39.00
BACS	NCALC	Planning Nuts and Bolts Training Cllr James	34.00
BACS	The Mower Shop	Groundsman Item	11.30
BACS	Trade UK	Barrier Fencing & Locks	146.96
BACS	Brixworth Bulletin	Bulletin 45	350.00
BACS	R&G	Grass Cutting Ashway & St Davids	685.36
BACS	Chubb	Emerg Lighting Service Ashway	183.43
BACS	Euromec	Mulching Kit	190.80
BACS	Lovell Hardware	Groundsman Item	72.35
5492	Brix Comm Centre	VAT refund	86.00
5493	NCC	Station Road Sign	240.00
5494	AH Blason	Fuel & Van maintenance	313.81
5495	DG Salisbury	End of Season Maintenance	5,802.00
Total			£21,647.30.

It was agreed that the bills for payment in June be paid.

Proposed Cllr Brown
All in favour

Seconded Cllr James

15/2932 To approve the Grievance Procedure

It was agreed to approve the Grievance Procedure following an amendment

Proposed Cllr James
6 in favour Cllrs Brown, James, Coles, Parker, Bird and Moxon

Seconded Cllr Bird

1 abstention Cllr Saxton

15/2933 To approve the Disciplinary Procedure

It was agreed to approve the Disciplinary Procedure

Proposed Cllr Brown
All in favour

Seconded Cllr James

15/2934 To receive an update from the Finance Working Group

Cllr Brown informed the meeting that the Finance working group were currently separating out the earmarked and restricted funds and developing new earmarked funds within the accounting system.

They are also looking at putting together a procedure for obtaining quotes which will work in conjunction with the Financial regulations.

Highways and Environment

15/2935 Concerns from resident when turning right into Northampton Road when travelling from Spratton Road

It was reported that the double yellow lines could not be extended as they comply with Northamptonshire Highways recommendations. It was agreed that the Clerk respond to the resident informing them of this and that having cars parked on Northampton Road acts as a traffic calming measure.

15/2936 To report on scheme for new road markings on Church Street

Cllr Moxon gave an update following a site visit on Church Street to discuss methods to slow down traffic. The Northamptonshire Highways representative suggested repainting the lines on the road to make them clearer and to put hatching lines to guide vehicles to stay on the

right side of the road. It was agreed to put the scheme on the July meeting agenda for approval.

15/2937 To approve request to raise the “Local Access Only” sign on Newlands.

It was reported that the sign to prevent lorry drivers from travelling on Newlands was very low and would need to be raised in order for lorry drivers to see. It was agreed that the Clerk write to the resident adjacent to the sign in order to obtain approval. Cllr Moxon has contacted TomTom and asked them to update their SatNav.

15/2938 To agree to investigate the cost implications and gauge local support for funding a lollipop person at the zebra crossing on Northampton road.

Following a discussion it was agreed that the Clerk find out if the Parish Council would be able to employ a lollipop person. The Clerk would also get some advice from Higham Ferrers Town Council as they had also pursued employing a lollipop person.

It was agreed to set up a working group to look into options to improve the crossing on Northampton Road. Members on the working group are: Cllrs Moxon, Bird and Saxton and the Clerk.

8.20pm Cllr Bennett arrived at the meeting.

Recreation and Amenities

15/2939 To report on overgrown Laurel bushes on footpath from Eastfield Road to the Ashway

It was agreed that the Clerk look into the cost to trim the Laurel bush on adjacent to the footpath. The Clerk will contact the resident and inform them of the Parish Council decision.

15/2940 To report on a broken litter bin on The Ashway and St David’s Playing Field.

The Clerk reported that an order to purchase two replacement bins has been placed.

15/2941 To discuss Summer football activity on Recreation Grounds.

Following a discussion about the possibility of providing portable goals which could be used on the Ashway during the Summer, it was agreed that the Clerk look into costs of installing sockets for a goal to be put up during the summer months.

15/2942 To agree to cost of repairing senior goal posts on The Ashway or whether to replace with new goal posts.

Cllr Brown had received a cost to repair and powder coat the goal posts on the Ashway which was similar to the cost of new posts. Following a discussion it was agreed that Cllr Moxon would obtain a quote for comparison.

15/2943 To receive an update on new lighting scheme for the Millennium Garden.

Cllr James gave a report on the costs for 6 spotlights to be installed in the Millennium Garden. It was agreed that more quotes would be obtained and that the scheme would be included in the July meeting agenda for approval.

15/2944 Parish Councillors Surgery Update

The report from the Surgery held in June had previously been circulated. It was agreed that Cllr Saxton and Cllr Coles attend the next surgery on Saturday 4th July.

15/2945 To discuss whether the Parish Council could sponsor the Church Organ

It was agreed that the Friends of the Church should apply for a grant from the Parish Council instead of the Parish Council sponsoring a pipe on the organ. Cllr Moxon would contact the Church to inform them of the process.

15/2946 General Correspondence for Discussion

- a) The email from DDC regarding Public Space Protection Order Consultation – Enhanced Dog Control Powers was noted.
- b) The Clerk informed the meeting that the Village walkabout with the Police Commissioner in August has been arranged for 14th August from 9.15 to 9.45am. It was agreed that areas to be included be discussed at the July meeting.
- c) Cllr James will confirm with the Clerk whether he will be able to attend the CPRE meeting on 29th June.

15/2947 General Correspondence not for Discussion (Members File for Circulation only)

- a) Pitsford User Group Meeting Minutes
- b) NCALC Update (May-June 2015)

15/2948 Date of the next meeting

Planning Meeting	Monday 1 st July 2015
Full Council	Tuesday 28 th July 2015

15/2949 Urgent Matters for Report Only

The Chairman reported that Cllr Malcolm Rous has resigned as a Councillor for Brixworth Parish Council. He thanked Malcolm for all he had done for the Parish Council. Cllr Bennett informed the meeting that he had got a new job and would be moving out of Brixworth and felt that he would no longer be able to fulfil his role as Councillor for Brixworth Parish Council. He will send his letter of resignation to the Clerk.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10pm Chairman