

MEARS ASHBY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1st FEBRUARY 2016, IN THE VILLAGE HALL, VICARAGE LANE, MEARS ASHBY, AT 7:30PM

Present: Cllrs K Payne (Chairman), N Wookey, V Smith, C Stockdale, D Payne, Mrs A Palmberg (Clerk), Mandy Lowe (EMAS) and 3 residents (First response volunteers: Mrs A Dunphy, Mr T Barnard and Mr S Burton-Wallace

009/16 To receive a presentation from Mandy Lowe, Community Response Manager at EMAS, (East Midlands Ambulance Service)

The Chairman welcomed Mandy Lowe to the meeting.

Ms Lowe explained to the Parish Council and the residents the importance and benefits of having a defibrillator. A defibrillator works by stopping the heart and uses an electric shock to do so. Pads are placed on the patient's chest and oral step by step commands assist the user to easily administer aid on the spot. The cost of a defibrillator (in 2016/2017 budget) would be approximately £999 + VAT for the defibrillator and heated cabinet, which it is required to be housed in. The cost of heating the cabinet, which would need to be positioned in a public place such as the Village Hall or Church would be approximately £15/year. Ms Lowe advised the meeting that anyone can use the defibrillator and does not require CPR training. The volunteers at the meeting agreed that they would consider CPR training. The Parish Council would be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the machine.

Mandy Lowe's presentation was followed by a one minute silence in memory of Marian Barker.

010/16 Opening Procedures

a) Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllr Graham and Cllr Bone. Apologies for absence were approved by the Parish Council.

b) Declarations of Interest from members: None

c) Approval of Minutes from the last Parish Council Meeting: Members agreed the minutes from the Ordinary meeting held on Monday 4th January 2016.

011/16 Public Time

a) To receive comments from members of the public attending the meeting

None

012/16 Reports

a) Police:

No crime reported in January.

b) Safety:

No update

c) Highways:

No update

013/16 To receive Declarations of Interest related to business on the Agenda: None

014/16 To discuss and agree Grounds Maintenance quotes.

The Parish Council agreed to opt for an independent Grounds Maintenance firm and have requested 10 visits per year. Cllr Smith proposed the Parish Council agree to opt for Mr Mowerman Grounds Maintenance. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Stockdale, and the vote was unanimously in favour of the proposal.

Members **RESOLVED:** Clerk to contact applicants and NCC to request a possible grounds maintenance rebate.

015/16 To receive an update on Potholes in Mears Ashby.

The Chairman advised the meeting that she had plotted all the visible potholes onto a map. She also mentioned the problem with continuous gushing water in Highfield Rd.

Members **RESOLVED:** The Clerk to contact Street Doctor and Helen Howard to notify them of the water problem. A copy of the map with potholes would also be sent.

016/16 To receive a report on changes to the external audit.

The Parish Council agreed to opt in to the changes.

017/16 Planning:

To receive, discuss and decide Planning Applications received (shown below) and to note the decided applications.

New Applications:

WP/15/00719/FUL

Erection of residential annex
9 Church Street, Mears Ashby, NN6 0EE
Mr and Mrs Roy

Application withdrawn

For Planning Applications, please refer to the website:

<http://www.wellingborough.gov.uk/viewplanningapplications> for more information.

018/16 Financial Matters:

a) To receive the Receipts and Payments account to 31st January 2016:

Payments:

Clerk's Expenses (Jan-Dec '15)	£300.00	Cheque no: 000581*
Barbara Osborne (Clerk's Payroll)	£58.50	Cheque no: 000582
E.ON (Electricity)	£372.51 (£17.74)	Cheque no: 000583
SSE Southern Electric	£39.66	Cheque no. 000584
NCALC (Code of Conduct Course)	£68.00	Cheque no. 000585
E R Davies (Website Hosting)	£62.86	Cheque no. 000586

Receipts:

Mrs Kate Payne (Course Credit) £34.00

*** Denotes a retrospective payment**

Amounts in Brackets show VAT.

b) The above payments and receipts were approved.

c) Balance at the bank after the above payments and receipts have been deducted/included: £7,270.25

Date of next Parish Council Meeting: Monday 7th March in the Village Hall, Vicarage Lane, Mears Ashby.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 8:40pm.

.....Signature

Chairman

.....Date

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