

Minutes of Abthorpe Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018  
at 7:45pm in the Old School, Abthorpe

Present: Councillors: M Perrigo (Chairman), M Berry, K Fenwick, J, T. Emerton Parish Clerk

1. **To receive and approve apologies for absence**  
Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor D Cambray, A Hammon
2. **Members declaration of interest for items on the agenda**  
No declarations of interest were made.
3. **To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and special meeting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July.** These were accepted and signed.
4. **To note any matters arising from the minutes**

Action No.	Description	Action
Mar 2017 – 001	Clerk to arrange to download of data from the Speed sign onto the Parish Laptop	Action Ongoing - Councillor Fenwick has identified a new cable cheaper and it was agreed to purchase one.
Jan 2018 – 005 4.1	Payment of bills	Chairman Perrigo to follow up with bank again to allow the Clerk to set up payments rather than just review them. Action on going - Chairman Perrigo discussed this with the bank and believed the issue to be resolved. Clerk to check sign on on a Laptop.
Feb 2018 – 008 005	Bench at Grafton View	The broken bench that was on the green is now fixed, however it was discussed it is only suitable for sitting on and not to be used as a goal. It wont be replaced yet. Action Clerk to investigate cost for a goal for the village green working with a parishioner who has children who play football on there. This was discussed and felt not needed for the green. Clerk to obtain costs to move the bench.
April 2018 – 008	Insurance quotes	Registration of Mower is in progress The mower is now registered and taxed until July 2019 at no cost and will not require a MOT. Awaiting decision if requires road insurance.
June 2018 - 007 007	New Homes Bonus	Clerk to send a letter to Jill Tolson informing her that the Parish Council are happy to support the New Home Bonus money this year to support with the Old School Refurbishment work. Application is currently being put together to request funding.
June 2018 - 008 001	World War 1 Silhouette	Clerk to work with the Church Committee to request funding for World War 1 Silhouette. Closed - we were awarded the silhouettes. They will be received by 9th September.
June 2018 - 008 002	Maintenance of the War Memorial	Councillor Fenwick to work with the Church Committee for the maintenance of the War Memorial Councillor Fenwick is formulating a package of work to tidy up memorial and wall below it. It was agreed to replace the plagues.
June 2018 - 008 003	Maintenance of the Village Notice Board	Councillor Fenwick to manage the maintenance of the village notice board. Some clearance has been completed around the notice board, still needs to be sanded and revarnished.
June 2018 - 008 004	Battery change of the Defibrillator	Councillor Hammond to change the battery in the alarm for the Defibrillator.

1. Finance
  1. Cash in bank (as of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2018)
    - Treasurer's Account £7090.99
    - 30 Day Business Account £879.07
    - Petty Cash - £31.00
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  2. Review of spend against budget / Bank Accounts.  
The balances were reviewed and agreed.

### 3. Invoices for payment

Item no.	Payment to	Description	Net	VAT	Tax
5.3.1	Tina Emerton	Clerks pay April – June	£290.10		£72.40
5.3.2	Keith Fenwick	Abtalk	£88.90		
5.3.4	EON	Electric Usage	£72.72	£3.64	

The invoices were agreed to be paid, Councillor Berry presented an invoice for the registration of the Mower for £55, this was also agreed to be paid.

### 2. Specific items for discussion

#### 1. Recruitment of new councillors

With the resignation of Councillor Hulbert it resulted in two Councillor vacancies. We received two applications for the roles, Mrs Fi Noble and Mr Mike Greenhalgh both were proposed and seconded as the new Parish Councillors.

#### 2. Annual General Meeting - 6 October 2018 – Volunteer to attend.

It was agreed that attendance was not required by the Parish.

#### 3. Bus Transport.

Chairman Perigo gave an update on her investigations on the possibility of securing a local bus transportation for the village. She also discussed the proposal from ABILITY (Northants cic) Community Transport project where they will be piloting a service for local villages in South Northants in November. Councillors agreed we should pursue the project with ABILITY.

#### 4. Update on the consultation on Local Government Reorganisation.

There is not further update/

### 3. Correspondence

A correspondence was received from The Rt Hon. Andrea Leadson MP discussing the removal of the bus service by Northampton County Council and that they had no plan to review the removal. She asked that as a village Parish Council would we consider organising something locally to offer our residents. We are already investigating this.

#### 4. Any other business

It was discussed if attendance was required for the Meeting with Stephen Mold - PCC for Northamptonshire - 15 August 18, it was agreed no attendance was required.

#### 5. Close

The meeting was closed at 20.15

Signed

Date

(Chairman Perrigo)

### Dates of next meetings

Monday 17th September 2018  
Monday 29th October 2018  
Monday 10th December 2018  
Monday 21st January 2019  
Monday 4th March 2019  
Monday 15th April 2019  
Monday 20th May 2019