

PRESENT: Parish Cllrs M Jarvis, D Hillier, J Paterson, D Sibley, M Simons, C Terry
30 members of public

1	<p>WELCOME, APOLOGIES, ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <p>Cllr Jarvis welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cllr Conolly had given apologies.</p>	
2	<p>THAMES VALLY POLICE</p> <p>Sergeant Russ McFarlane and PC Thomas Piercy attended from Thames Valley Police and gave an update on the recent local issues.</p> <p>TVP were working with other agencies, including social services, planning enforcement and community safety teams to tackle antisocial behaviour issues in the village. The next meeting was scheduled for 4th May.</p> <p>Residents were reminded not to just put incidences on social media but to report to the relevant authority, either the Police via 101 or 999 or social services for unaccompanied children. The police need full descriptions of the people involved in antisocial behaviour in order to follow up.</p> <p>Residents raised concerns about speeding, the speedwatch equipment had not yet been located and it was suggested that the LAF may be able to assist with funding for new equipment. TVP asked that the MVAS data be re-sent to them so they could forward on to the roads policing team.</p> <p>A resident requested that the MVAS is placed in New Road as speeding was also an issue there.</p>	
3	<p>PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</p> <p>The Chairman's report on the work of the Parish Council was read out to the meeting, a copy of the report is attached to these minutes as appendix 1.</p>	
4	<p>WTPC FINANCE</p> <p>Cllr Sibley gave a report of the unaudited 2017-18 Parish Accounts and Budget for 2018-9. The annual accounts would be audited the following week and then submitted to the external auditor after the Parish Council meeting.</p>	
5	<p>VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE</p> <p>Cllr Mandi Simons, Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee gave a report on the village hall, a copy is attached to these minutes as appendix 2. She said that the Village Hall Management Committee was in need of new members and urged residents to consider giving a few hours to help run the hall.</p>	
5	<p>YOUTH CAFÉ</p> <p>Rachel Blackmore spoke about the youth café which is run by volunteers and funded by a grant from the Parish Council. It is a drop in group which enables young people from all areas of the parish to socialise and play instruments and games and remains popular. Two of the young people who attend the Youth Café came along to the meeting and said what they enjoyed about it. They also played a short film produced by the Youth Café which highlighted what the Youth Café liked about the parish and what they would like changed.</p>	

6	<p>WIDOW TURPIN CHARITY</p> <p>Mr Hugh Chamberlain the local Trustee & Hon Treasurer gave a report in order to comply with the articles of the Charity. The Annual Accounts were read out with a brief report to summarise the past year activities to the meeting.</p> <p>The charity derives a small income from the rent of a field left to the charity, the income is used to distribute food vouchers to people in need in Weston Turville or they can arrange delivery of food.</p> <p>A copy of the accounts was given to the Clerk for the Council's records.</p>	
8	<p>OPEN FORUM AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One resident asked what was being done about traffic calming in Worlds End Lane. The Chairman said that within the legal agreement for the development in Worlds End Lane was provision for a traffic survey to be carried out in order to identify what traffic calming would be best suited to that road. Transport for Bucks would be managing this work. 2. A resident reported that vehicles were regularly parking on the grass outside the shops which was causing the area to become churned up and unsightly. The Chairman responded that the Parish Council were investigating options with Transport for Bucks to put in bollards or similar to prevent this happening. 3. A resident said that the new LED lighting was a big improvement on the old lights and asked whether there were plans to install any additional lights. They were asked to contact the Clerk with suggestions of where additional lighting was needed. 	

The meeting was then closed, cheese and wine was provided.

Signed: _____ Dated: 25th April 2019

Appendix 1 – Chairman’s Report

Welcome to our Annual Parish Meeting, I would like to thank you for taking the time to come and find out more about what your Parish Council has achieved over the last 12 months and what we have planned for the coming year.

We currently have 2 vacancies for Parish Councillors and would urge anyone who is interested to speak to either the clerk or any of the councillors to find out more about what is involved. We typically meet once a month (third Thursday of the month) with several of us working on particular areas of expertise from Planning to health and safety and Finance.

There are currently several areas of concern that residents bring to us, these include Anti-Social Behaviour, Speeding and new housing developments, The Parish council are working with other agencies in order to address these by bringing these concerns to the County and District council and also the Police. We would urge all residents to contact the clerk directly with any information that can assist us with making our Parish a safer and more neighbourly community.

I would like to give special thanks to our Planning committee and also the Neighbourhood Plan committee as they have once again had an enormous workload over the last 12 months with even more speculative planning applications for new housing developments both in the centre of the village and also in the wider Parish.

The Parish Council have been working on several projects to make our Parish a better place to live and work for example:-

We have recently been given permission to carry out the grass cutting on the Aston Clinton Rd as this is also a part of our parish. This was previously done by Bucks County Council and we believe that our contractor offers a greater service level which will give the greater Parish area the same services we offer within the main part of the village.

We believe that all residents within our Parish should have a pleasant environment and the Parish Council is becoming the first point of contact for any issues residents may have.

We have almost completed our program of replacing all of the streetlights we are responsible for with new low energy LED variants, this is a positive move for both environmental and long term cost savings as the bulbs in our existing lights are no longer manufactured.

In the last 12 months we have and are continuing with:

- Carried out extensive tree maintenance which is ongoing
- Replaced street lights
- Installed new dog waste bins
- Repaired and replaced benches
- Installed new waste bins
- Replacing and adding new LED lights to the car park
- Upgrade to the CCTV system and adding more cameras.
- Installing new benches

In addition we are working with youth groups to understand their needs and in particular the Youth Club,

You will see a video presentation from them later where I was able to meet with a group who are keen to work with the council to make it in to a more desirable and safer place for all age groups.

One of their main requests was for a Skate Park and with section 106 money in the pipeline we should be able to make this a reality in the coming year. You will see details and feedback forms around the hall and we would appreciate anyone with interest in this project completes one and we will then form a working group to bring this project forward.

Please visit our web site as this is our main method of getting information out to residents. This will be continuously updated and we are happy to add details of groups that meet within our Parish

Our next full council meeting will be Thursday 17th May starting at 7pm

Not forgetting our planning meetings where everyone is welcome to attend is held on the first Thursday of each month.

Finally I would like to thank our Clerk and my fellow councillors for their hard work over the last 12 months, working on many projects and helping to make our Parish a better place.

Martin Jarvis
Chairman
19th April 2018

Appendix 2 – Village Hall Committee Report

This past year has been a quiet one as most of the planned improvements and building works have now been completed.

This year we have had to make further changes to our booking criteria due to continued complaints about noise on Saturday evenings and as a result we have had a drop in income from weekend bookings but our other bookings have remained constant and we are financially viable. Our income from hirers totalled £28,273.50p for the year which is about £1600 less than the previous year. Our outgoing expenses have increased for the utilities, insurances, licences and wages and we have worked hard to minimise our other costs. We have had no major outlays for improvements and maintenance and have made a £6000 saving on last year. (£34,954.28p to £28,924.16p).

We still generate additional income for the hall by the loaning of gazebos, small marques, tables and chairs to individuals for private parties.

In the next financial year, in cooperation with the Parish Council, we are renovating the existing changing rooms to create a new office for the Parish Clerk and hall booking clerk to work from and to build a new meeting room so smaller parish meetings can be held there. This will free up additional days so the main hall can be booked out.

In conjunction with the Parish Council we are improving the security in and around the hall and the safety of pedestrians and are installing CCTV in School Approach and the car park. The CCTV in School Approach will be able to read number plates and we hope this will deter visitors to the hall and school from driving and parking on the pavements and doing 'donuts' in the car park, thereby reducing the incidents of anti-social behaviour that have been reported.

The village hall is a registered charity and we need volunteers to act as trustees and help with the running and maintenance of the hall. If you are interested in assisting in the running of this valuable parish asset please speak to me at the end of this meeting or contact me, my details are on the village hall and parish council websites.

Mandi Simons
Chairman Weston Turville Village Hall 2018