

Cranwell, Brauncewell and Byard's Leap Parish Council

NOTES of the Ordinary meeting of Cranwell, Brauncewell and Byard's Leap Parish Council held at Cranwell Village Hall, Old School Lane, Cranwell Village, NG34 8DF on Monday 10th June 2024.

Present: Chair: Cllr Mr D Graves

Councillors: Cllr D Wilson and Cllr Mrs J Wilson, Cllr J Bloomfield, Cllr S Daley and D/C A Hagues and Ian Whitehead of the RAF.

Also in attendance: 4 members of the public
Ms Lesley Frances - Clerk to the Parish Council

Public speaking:

The permissive footpath around the Dyson field needs cutting back – Clerk to contact Dysons. The footpath between St Johns Close and Thorold Avenue is nearly unwalkable as the hedge is so overgrown – RAF team will be asked to do this when we meet with them and Ian Whitehead on Friday 14th. The Premier shop is trying to get a licence for takeaway food – it was felt a fish and chip shop would be an asset to the village.

D/Cllr A Hagues mentioned the forthcoming election and said nothing political could be discussed (the Purdah period). He had sent his Newsletter which had been circulated.

1. To receive apologies for absence and reasons given i.a.w. Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, para 40.
Cllr Sandra Liivet due to work commitments – agreed to accept her apology, also C/Cllr Richard Wright.

2. To receive declarations of interest and to consider applications in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
Disclosure of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests is to be in accordance with the Localism Act 2011. The need for disclosure is to be based upon agenda items, or at any suitable time during a meeting when it becomes apparent to a Member. There were none.

3. Notes of the ordinary meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council of Cranwell, Brauncewell and Byard's Leap Parish Council held on Monday 13th May to be approved as Minutes.
RESOLVED to approve the Notes of the meeting of Cranwell, Brauncewell and Byard's Leap Parish Council, as Minutes. Approved unanimously.

4. Financial Matters:

- a. Approve the payments made since the last meeting.

The Council RESOLVED to approve the payments made since the last meeting. Appendix A. - approved unanimously.

- b. Approve the payment of invoices etc. as listed on the Payments to be Authorised sheet.

The Council RESOLVED to approve the payments of invoices etc. as listed on the Payments to be Authorised sheet. Appendix B – approved unanimously.

- c. Approve the bank reconciliation as at 31.5.24

The Council RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation as at 31.5.24 of £35,946.06 - approved unanimously.

d. Review the latest Summary of Reserves Balances

The Council RESOLVED to approve the reserves balances - approved unanimously.

e. Information from Clerk regarding SSE invoices

SSE has credited the smaller invoice for the The Old School. However, the larger invoice for the playing field is still not sorted out but we will not get letters threatening Court action as a note has been put on our closed account. Clerk will report to the Ombudsman on 17th June.

f. Water test thermometer

This has been purchased but now shows that the water heater in The Old School does not reach the required minimum temperature of 50 degrees. A new heater is £143.33 plus installation. In order to be compliant with legislation it was resolved unanimously to purchase and install a new water heater.

g. Yellow painting of footpath edge

Contractor has this in hand to carry out imminently.

5. Planning Applications

24/0285 – discharge of conditions at Manor Farm – pending consideration.

24/0584 – application to vary conditions at land to rear of 20 Willow Lane – pending consideration.

24/0627 – non material amendment to change from car port to garage at 38A Sleaford Road – pending consideration.

6. The Old School – we have a one-off booking this evening for a yoga class and a potential booking for a 40th anniversary gathering. Information has been put on Cranwell and Sleaford FB pages and a request sent to our D/Cllr to advise NKDC of the The Old School's suitability for meetings/training.

7. Pavilion/Cabins

All plumbing works have been done and electrics should be done tomorrow – works will include the lamp post. We still await the outcome of our grant application for cladding.

8. Bowls Club and Junior Football Club Hire Agreements

Both first drafts have been amended slightly. The Bowls Club has now approved theirs and once signed by them will be signed by the PC, and each will have copies. We are waiting to hear from the CJFC that they are now happy with the amendments.

9. Bowls Club Groundworks

The gap between the new cabins and bowls area will be filled by Dysons but it is not known when. Discussion took place as to the safety aspect until this work is done and it was agreed that red/white hazard tape will be put across the area, as well as notices to be aware of the gap. The majority of the PC felt that this was acceptable and would cover us should there be any accident. Clerk is waiting for instructions from the Bowls Club as to what other works they wish to have done with the approximate £5,500 available. There are talks about a patio, access to the disabled toilet, and maintenance to the gulleys. [*They are no longer having a new Green in September but are having the re-seeding maintenance done at a cost of £4,600.*]

10. Dates of meetings in 2025.

Clerk had agreed a list of dates with the Village Hall and a copy was circulated at this meeting. Website will be updated.

11. To receive a report on Road Safety matters

Information from the SID on College Road had been downloaded but this was unsuccessful so has to be re-done. Two signs have been made available for litter picking and two cones are due to arrive imminently. Community Speed Watch group had recently operated near the RAF Guardroom and noted that most people were adhering to the speed limit – quite a few were doing 37 mph and the CSW wondered if people thought it was still 40 mph there. The CSW need more volunteers – the work is effective, but more people are necessary to enable more operations.

12. Play area:

The sign has been removed from behind the Monkey Wall and is being re-painted. It will then be put on the fence to the right of the Monkey Wall.

13. New dog bin

A resident had asked for a bin in the alley between Guthram Court and Selvalyn Close. A new bin costs £115.68 but will also need emptying (NK no longer do this) – Clerk to speak to groundsman. As funds are tight now, this to be re-addressed in September when second Precept payment is received.

14. Assistance from RAF

See note in Public Forum at start of these Minutes – work to take place this Friday (14th) between 10 am and 2 pm.

15. Update on signage for litter pickers

See Minute 11 above.

16. Councillors reports

Cllr Bloomfield said that the pathway around the Church is covered in moss and needs clearing – this will be added to the work for the RAF on 14th. It was noted that SMG will no longer be sending prescriptions to the Premier shop – they will be sending letters to all involved.

17. Date of next meeting

Monday 8th July at 7 pm

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.45 pm

APPENDIX A
Payments and receipts May 2024

PAYMENTS:

| Date | Total | Description | Supplier |
|------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 st | 58.00 | Playing field water | Anglian/Wave |
| 1 st | 45.00 | Dustbin fee | NKDC |
| 1 st | 32.05 | Old School internet | BT |
| 7 th | 375.33 | Grounds Maintenance | S Riley |
| 7 th | 12.60 | Email archiving | IONOS |
| 7 th | 12.60 | Email basic | IONOS |
| 7 th | 35.00 | Old School water | Anglian/Wave |
| 8 th | 37.02 | Electricity OSH | Valda |
| 10 th | 25.59 | Electricity Playing field | Valda |
| 15 th | 485.00 | Electric parts for cabins | Thomas Dutton |
| 15 th | 17.56 | Thermometer for OS water tests | Better Equipped |
| 15 th | 46.50 | CCTV signs | SafetySigns4Less |
| 20 th | 823.44 | Concrete for cabins base | Baker Training |
| 20 th | 35.00 | Subscription | ICO |
| 21 st | 180.00 | Training scheme | LALC |
| 22 nd | 805.00 | Clerks salary | L Frances |
| 22 nd | 91.42 | Clerks expenses | L Frances |
| 28 th | 244.03 | Grounds maintenance | Tudor |
| 28 th | 460.00 | Plumbing for cabins | Steve Lawson |
| 29 th | 19.97 | Adobe OSH | Adobe |
| 31 st | 32.05 | OSH internet | BT |
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| RECEIPTS | | | |
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| 30 th | 80.00 | Room hire | D Graves |
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APPENDIX B
Payments to be authorised – May 2024

| Date | Amount | Description | Supplier |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 15 th | 46.50 | CCTV signs | SafetySigns4Less |
| 22 nd | 91.42 | Expenses | L Frances |