

Present: Councillors: K Fenwick (Chairman) D Cambrey
M Hulbert B Haycock
S Noble

Clerk: B Carter

There were no members of the public present.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr I Dyckhoff tendered his apologies as he was stuck in traffic returning from London. His apology was accepted.

2. Members declaration of interest on items on the agenda

Cllr Hulbert declared an interest in the refund of TADD payments.

3. Minutes of the previous meetings (13th December 2010 & 3rd January 2011)

The minutes of the previous meetings held on 13th December 2010 & 3rd January 2011 were accepted with the following changes.

Minutes of 12th December 2010

Date should be dated 13th December 2010

Minutes of 3rd January 2011

Cllr S Cambrey should read Cllr D Cambrey. Cllr B Haywood should read Cllr B Haycock.

Item 4 "There being not other business" should read There being no other business

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They were then duly signed by the Chairman

4. Matters arising from the minutes

The following matters resulted from the minutes of 27th September 2010

Jan 2010 – 003	Site of Old Pump	It is proving difficult to find a supplier for the replacement bricks. The Clerk has been offered some used blue semi-circular bricks. To be investigated further - Ongoing
Jan 2010 - 005	Maintenance of Telephone Box	The four "TELEPHONE" panels have been ordered by Mr John Underwood at a cost of £80. Clerk has confirmed that these are on order. Issue Ongoing. Clerk to investigate. Ordered via John Underwood. Clerk to chase John Underwood again.
Jan 2010 - 010	Abthorpe Crossroads	Still awaiting NCC. Informed that a budget is available. The court case has concluded. As this issue has been ongoing for several months, Clerk has left message for Helen Howard, (NCC) to get update. Ongoing See Nov 2010-001
Jan 2010 - 011	TRO Sign at Brackley Lane/Withimer Lane	Still awaiting NCC to provide Ongoing Clerk to chase. – Dec 2010 -001 Clerk to write to NCC.
Jul 2010 – 004	Clerk to approach Mr John Underwood, and obtain other quotes for the maintenance of the Notice Board	Clerk has approached Mr Underwood. He is prepared to undertake refurbishment at nil cost. Ongoing Mr John Underwood to be asked to undertake the work. This work will be completed when the weather improves.
Nov 2010 – 001	Abthorpe Crossroads	The Clerk to write to NCC Director of Highways requesting urgent action. – Now part of Jan 2010 - 010
Nov 2010 - 004	Roles & Responsibility forms.	Clerk to copy and distribute forms to all councillors. – Copies distributed. Item Closed
Dec 2010 – 001	Flood alleviation scheme at West End, Silverstone	Clerk in receipt of proposed work. As there are three options, it was agreed to defer any further action until a decision has been made. Item deferred.
Dec 2010 – 002	TADD Repayments	Clerk to withdraw cash and get a signed receipt form recipients Item Closed.

5. Finance

5.1 The cheque presented for payment (listed below) were agreed and duly signed.

Date	To Whom	Amount	Reason
20/12/10	E-on UK	£75.93	Mtce to Dec 2010
18/01/11	Abthorpe Old School	£90.00	Hire for Council Meetings 2010
24/01/11	Cash	£168.00	TADD Repayments
24/01/11	R L Carter	£34.18	Clerks expenses
	E-on		Electricity charge

5.2 Financial Report

The Clerk had produced the following statement.

		£	£
Business Investment Account	as at 8th November 2010	10,441.35	
9 Nov 2010	Interest (Gross)	0.41	
9 Dec 2010	Interest (Gross)	0.43	
Business Investment Account	as at 9th December 2010		10442.719

		£
Treasurers Account	as at 24 th November 2010	2116.12

Payments taken since last meeting					
Cheque made payable to	Reason	Date	Cheque No	Statutory Provisions	Amount (£)
E0on	Electricity Mtce		340	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3	£75.93
NCALC	Clerks training		342	LGA 1972, s137	£125.00
E-on	Electricity Charge		343	Parish Councils act 1957 s3	99.30

Payments received					
Received from	Reason	Date			Amount (£)
Treasurers Account		as at 21 st Dec 2010			1815.89

Payments made but not presented since last meeting					
Land Registry			332	LGA 1972, ss 124, 126 7 127	40.00

New payments for approval					
Cheque made payable to	Reason	Date	Cheque No	Statutory Provisions	Amount (£)
Abthorpe Old School	School Hire		344	LGA 1972, s137	90.00
R L Carter	Clerks Expenses		345	LGA 1972, s137	34.16
E-on	Un-metered Supply		346	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3	99.30
E-on	Electricity Mtce.		347	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3	£75.93
Cash	TADD Repayments		348	Parish Councils Act 1997 s26	168.00
Treasurers Account (Predicted)		as at 24 th Jan 2011			£1348.50

The Clerk explained that the Land Registry cheque had been returned along with the application form. A new cheque would be required once the revised application form was accepted. The **Council agreed to cancel the current cheque and will rewrite a new one once the paper work has been resolved.**

The Financial Report was accepted

7. Planning Applications

7.1 New Applications

There were no new planning applications.

7.2 Updates

There were no updates to report

8. Correspondence

Date	Correspondence	From	Distributed
15/12/10	SN Homes Major Works Briefing Paper – Nov 2011	SN Homes	No
15/12/10	Northants Rural Housing Assoc – Annual Report	NRHA	Yes
17/12/10	Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places	SNC	No
21/12/10	Parish Satisfaction Questionnaire	MGWSP	Completed by Clerk
21/12/10	Queens Diamond Jubilee	SNC	Yes
04/01/11	Precept 2011 - 2012	SNC	Clerk to send
04/01/11	Village Viewpoint – Winter 2010	ACRE	Yes
04/01/11	Parish Council Supporter & Publication order form	ACRE	Clerk to complete
04/01/11	Great Poppy Party Weekend	Brit Legion	Yes
05/01/11	SN Homes Major Works Briefing Paper – Dec 2011	SN Homes	Yes
05/01/11	Parish & Community News	SMP Playgrounds	Yes

9. Specific Items for discussion

9.1 Acceptance of Proposed Budget for 2011/2012

The Clerk had prepared a paper showing the budget and expenditure for 2009/2010 (attached) and the budget and estimated expenditure for 2010/2011. He then provided a suggest budget for 2011/2012. Following discussion **The Council agreed to accept this budget and keep the precept at the current rate, (£3250.00).**

The Council resolved to reduce the Reserve Funds to £8000.00 and make it a General Reserve Fund to cover unexpected expenses such as the mower replacement or street lighting replacement.

The Clerk pointed out that there was still money in a reserve account form the days of the Village Mum's and Toddlers group. It was originally agreed to hold this money in reserve if another group was started. Discussions took place about this money, including the suggestion that mugs be purchased for the children of the village at the time of the Queens Diamond Jubilee. It was agreed to reconsider next year.

10. Any Other Competent Business (Information Only)

10.1 It was proposed that the Declaration of Financial and Other Interests form, re-issued to all Councillors following the previous meeting would not be submitted

10.2 It was confirmed that the way leave proposed for the fitting of a lamp and bracket to Stable Cottage was no longer required.

10.3 It was agreed to see if the re-instated trench dug across the Green subsided before complaining to E-on..

10.3 Several Parishioners had commented on the lack of salt bins. The Clerk has spoken to SNC asking for one to be placed on the village green near the north entrance to the church. A request had also been received for one in Cadogan Place.

10.4 It was reported that ivy is still growing in through the roofs of the garages in Stanhill Row. South Northants Homes had been advised.

10.5 It was questioned whether Cllr Cambrey was still the Village Snow Warden? .This was confirmed.
The Clerk will remain the contact point for SNC/NCC.

There being not other business the meeting closed at 8:45pm.

Cllr B Haycock tendered his apologies as he would not be at the next meeting due to farming issues.
Cllr K Fenwick tendered his apologies as he will be on holiday in India for the next meeting

*Please note: The next Parish Council meeting will be held on
Monday 7th March 2011*

Future meetings are planned as follows:

Monday 18th April 2011 (Review of Insurances)
Monday 16th May 2011 APM
Monday 23rd May 2011 AGM
Monday 11th July 2011 (Review of External Audit, Fixed Assets & Finances)

Change Control

Issue No	Date	Changes
Draft	25/1/11	