

## Quinton Parish Council

### Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr David White (Chairman)

Cllr Caroline Barton

Cllr Phil Maundrill

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Izzi Seccombe, Cllr Mike Brain and 3 members of the public

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Apologies were received from Cllr Paul Milliken and accepted by the Council.
2	<b>Declaration of interests</b> There were no declarations of interest.
3	<b>Questions from the public:</b> A member of the public reported that the pathway to the church from the playing field was difficult to access owing to an overgrown hedge. He also drew the Council's attention to overhanging trees round the periphery of the playing field, which required pruning. A large amount of debris from a felled tree had been left on the field. Dog fouling on the playing field and by the children's swings remained a persistent problem.
4	<b>Co-option:</b> It was unanimously resolved to co-opt Junie Tong-Clark, Kully Kumari and Chris Watson on to the Parish Council. All three signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms, and were duly co-opted.
5	<b>Minutes of previous meeting 29<sup>th</sup> June 2016</b> The minutes of the previous meeting of the 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2016 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.
6	<b>Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:</b> There were no matters arising.
7	<b>Councillor resignation:</b> It was noted that Cllr Sue Branston had resigned as councillor to Quinton Parish Council. The Chairman expressed his thanks to Mrs Branston for her service to the Council.
11	<b>Any matters from the District or County Councillor:</b> Cllr Seccombe reported on the success of the apprenticeship scheme which had attracted many applicants, most of whom are now working in business. Warwickshire County Council is now extending the scheme to create shared apprenticeships within the small business sector. Cllr Seccombe was delighted to report that WCC had received a National Award for their

	<p>success with the Apprenticeship Hub.</p> <p>Cllr Brain reported on the Community Forum which had taken place the previous evening. Speeding on the B4632 remained a problem, and speed checks were due to be carried out shortly in an effort to curb this. Many villages are experiencing similar problems with speeding. It was noted that Quinton has a speed gun, but is experiencing difficulties in recruiting volunteers to take part in speed checks.</p> <p>As part of the Meon Vale infrastructure, three new ghost islands have been scheduled to be constructed on the B4632, though the date of completion is not yet known. Members of the Council asked when the footpath from Lower Quinton to Meon Vale would be created, as they were very concerned about pedestrian safety. Both Cllrs Seccombe and Brain promised to investigate the progress of the footpath with the relevant officers, and would report their findings to the Council.</p> <p>Stratford District Council's Core Strategy has now been formally adopted. Cllr Brain agreed to ascertain whether Quinton has now fulfilled its share of the housing quota required by the Core Strategy.</p>	
8	<p><b>Clerk's updates:</b> a) The hedge beside the Manor House in Upper Quinton has now been cut back. The clerk had received reports of an overgrown hedge along Aylston Close, which had formerly been maintained by the school. She was investigating whether responsibility for maintenance lay with the school or the County Council. b) The statutory notices relating to Cllr Branston's resignation had been posted on the website and notice boards. If no request for an election had been received by the 16<sup>th</sup> September, the Council would be free to co-opt to fill the vacancy. c) Warwickshire County Council had promptly jetted blocked gullies in Lower Quinton, following notification from a member of the public. d) More representatives from community groups had signed on to contribute to the website.</p>	
9	<p><b>Any matters from the Chairman:</b></p> <p>The Chairman was still investigating with Cllr Brain the removal of the teen shelter, with the intention being that it would be removed for scrap, at no cost to the Council.</p>	
10	<p><b>Cllr Barton:</b></p> <p>Cllr Barton's weekly inspection of the play equipment had revealed yet more broken glass inside the children's tunnel. It was clear from the distribution of the small shards of glass that it had been deliberately placed there. It was agreed that the Chairman would contact the local PCSO about this matter. Another act of vandalism on the playing field had been the removal of a section of fencing, which had been left lying on the ground. Cllr Watson offered to collect and dispose of it in the interests of safety.</p> <p>The Council discussed the possibility of installing CCTV and Cllr Watson volunteered to investigate the cost.</p> <p>Cllr Barton also informed the Council that the newly laid surface of the Fordway playground had begun to fail. She had contacted the company who had agreed to resurface the area.</p>	
12	<p><b>Financial Regulations:</b></p> <p>It was resolved to adopt the Financial Regulations which had been previously circulated. (see Appendix A attached).</p>	

13	<p><b>Hedgerows/footpaths/rights of way:</b></p> <p>It was agreed that the Council would undertake a survey of the footpaths and rights of way in the parish, in order to ascertain the identity of the landowners. Once ownership is established landowners will be contacted to remind them of their responsibility to ensure the paths remain open and accessible. The clerk was asked to publicise this on the website, so members of the public can contribute any information they may have. An article to the same effect would be placed in St. Swithin's Newsletter.</p>	
14	<p><b>Planning applications</b></p> <p>Parish Councillors noted the following planning applications submitted since the last Parish Council meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 16/02533 FUL 18 Turnpike Drive: proposed single storey rear extension. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> <li>ii) 16/01972 FUL Lower Clopton Farm: full application for a new access. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> <li>iii) 16/02185 FUL Vicarage Farm: Conservatory to the rear. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> <li>iv) 16/02202 REM Land off Main Road: Reserved matters application for residential development of 30 dwellings, with appearance, landscape, layout and scale to be considered. It was <b>resolved to object</b> to this application.</li> <li>v) 16/02421 FUL Marston Edge Nurseries: Use of site for up to 36 pitches (12 glamping pods and 24 camping and caravanning) in connection with existing camping and caravanning use. Demolition of existing storage sheds serving existing caravan site and erection of replacement storage buildings and portable toilet block ancillary to caravan and camping site. Erection of new ancillary building to Marston Edge to provide garaging at ground floor and ancillary annex-living accommodation at first floor. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> <li>vi) 16/02695 HRN Meon Farm: removal of 1no. Section of hedgerow, 150m in length, at Lower Meon Farm, Meon Hill, Upper Quinton, O.S. grid reference of hedgerow SP 18957 46101. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> <li>vii) 16/02483 REM Long Marston Storage Depot: Application relating to phase 4B of outline planning permission 14/01186/OUT. Reserved matters to consist of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to include 112 dwellings (plots 1-112 Meon Vale phase 4B). The original outline planning permission reference 14/01186/OUT was an environmental impact assessment application. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> <li>viii) 16/01959 FUL 22 The Fordway: increase in height of boundary wall to 1.8 metres. It was resolved to <b>make no representation</b> with respect to this application.</li> </ul> <p><b>To receive any results of planning applications:</b></p> <p>The Parish Council noted the following planning decisions which had been notified since its last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 16/01405/VARY Long Marston Storage Depot: permission <b>granted</b> for variation of condition 2 (roundabout construction) of outline planning permission reference 13/00126/OUT for proposed 4 arm roundabout access (to serve a mixed use development comprising up to 380 dwellings, up to 5000 sq.m. of employment (Class B1c), floor space, a minimum of 400 sq.m. of community (ClassD2</li> </ul>	

	<p>building(s), public open space with associated landscaping and infrastructure dated 1 August 2013, situated within Wychavon District Council's administrative boundary), to allow construction of the roundabout following reserved matters approval for phase 1 of the mixed use development within Wychavon District (application ref. W/13/00132/OUT), which this access is required to serve.</p> <p>ii) 16/01552 FUL 3 New Road, Lower Quinton: permission <b>granted</b> for two storey rear extension and replacement garage.</p> <p>iii) 16/02082 FUL The Orchard: permission <b>granted</b> for replacement workshop and new double garage.</p> <p>iv) 16/01610 FUL Vicarage Farm: permission <b>granted</b> for erection of agricultural building.</p>	
15	<p><b>Reports from Council members on outside bodies:</b> Cllr Maundrill had previously informed the Council of Meon Medical Centre's opposition to the application to build a pharmacy in Lower Quinton. There was no further information at the moment.</p>	
16	<p><b>St. Swithin's Church:</b> It was unanimously resolved to donate £500 to St. Swithin's to assist with churchyard maintenance.</p>	
17	<p><b>To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter.</b> The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record.</p>	
18	<p><b>To receive any correspondence</b> There was no correspondence to be noted.</p>	
19	<p><b>Councillors' reports and items for future agenda</b> No items were proposed.</p>	
20	<p><b>Accounts for payment and finance Matters</b> The following payments were noted and approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Sue Upston (planters) - £100.00</li> <li>b) Clerk's salary June - £***</li> <li>c) Quinton Village Hall (hall hire) - £30.00</li> <li>d) HMRC (income tax June) - £**</li> <li>e) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £2,277.00</li> <li>f) Zurich Municipal (insurance) - £778.62</li> <li>g) Digital Image Bureau (website hosting) - £1,044.00</li> <li>h) Clerk's salary July - £**</li> <li>i) HMRC (income tax July) - £**</li> <li>j) Nuneaton Signs (playground signage) - £269.22</li> <li>k) Clerk's salary August - £**</li> <li>l) HMRC (income tax August) - £**</li> <li>m) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1,638.00</li> <li>n) WALC (annual subscription) - £546.00</li> <li>o) SLCC (clerk's subscription) - £90.00 (pro rata with Alderminster PC).</li> <li>p) WALC (new councillors' course) - £90.00 3 delegates; £45.00 2 delegates.</li> </ul>	
21	<p><b>Dates of future meetings:</b></p>	

It was agreed that future meetings of the Parish Council would take place on:

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016

