

ONLEY PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION UNAUTHORISED MINUTES

Held on.....WEDNESDAY 27TH AUGUST 2014 at....19:30...pm

ONLEY VILLAGE HALL

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PRESENT: Chairman – Frank Brannigan, Secretary – Dawn Cotton, Daphne Finch, David Finch, and Joseph Oliver. NCC Cllr. Malcolm Longley.

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1	APOLOGIES	Dennis Cooper on holiday, Joanne Harris another appointment. No apologies from Christopher Smith & Lottie Smith. Apology received 29 th Aug by Cllr. Catherine Lomax who was on holiday at the time the invitation to the meeting was sent out.	Accepted
1.1	MINUTES TO BE SIGNED.	TO BE SIGNED ANOTHER DAY.	Minutes 1 st May
2	DISCUSSION CONCERNING ADOPTION OF ONLEY PARK ROAD	<p>Secretary provided Cllr. Longley with hard copies of all correspondence between MP Chris Heaton-Harris, NCC & WCC since 2012. Too much correspondence to send via email.</p> <p>Chairman FB opened the meeting providing a brief outline history of Onley always had a problem since 1985 which was the time when Onley became privatised to residents with the HMP selling the houses. Explained of three particular problems which came to light almost immediately. First concerning the main prison drive from the A45 to the Onley junction is a private road which is in two different county's Warwickshire & Northamptonshire. This issue was addressed years ago and NCC came to Onley and advised due to prison drive being a private road Onley means of entry/exit to the estate is via a private road so the estate roads cannot be adopted. Second problem, the street lighting is in the wrong place to Council regulations. Thirdly the road drainage is in the wrong place. Due to 3 residents becoming Parish Councillors this assisted in getting £2000 per year put to one side to have the lighting changed in the future. Lights were updated around 2007 and brought up to standard at a cost of around £29000.</p> <p>Secretary has contacted many people to discuss the approach road in the past 4 + years to attempt to have the main drive adopted. NCC & WCC agreed to get together to discuss the matter and it was confirmed in 2001 the approach road was brought up to adoptable standards as part of negotiations with Rye Hill to be built.</p> <p>Martin Coats who is the negotiator for the prison service agreed in recent years the main approach road can be adopted as the prison service are happy to release this section of road from the A45 to local councils for adoption. FB explained about the main approach road only going as far as Onley junction before 2001 when the approach road was extended to the current position of the road today. This was agreed back in 1998 with the negotiations taking place over a 3 year period concerning the planning application for Rye Hill Prison. The balancing pond had to be created to take away flooding which would occur once Rye Hill would be built.</p> <p>It was explained residents pay the same amount of rates as Barby, Daventry but have none of the services except for dustbins, children go to school and street lighting, Onley has not had its surface water drains cleaned for 38yrs.</p> <p>Cllr Longley explained he met with Ian Smith from NCC who has worked for NCC around 25yrs could not place any of the roads concerning Onley Park. DC advised roads and paths were re surface in around 2001 paid for by Home Office.</p>	JO volunteered to speak with someone at WCC & NCC to discuss the potential adoption process to assist in get the ball rolling too.

		<p>Cllr Longley requested all the names contacted at NCC in the past, DC confirmed the names are within the documentation handed at the beginning of the meeting so some good bed time reading there.</p> <p>Cllr. Longley confirmed he is meeting with Michael Clarke at NCC 19th Sept and Michael Clarke is responsible for highways and has just received a 3 million pound budget of which Barby village will get a portion of this budget, unfortunately nothing will come to Onley due to the village being private. DC explained our surface water drains have not been cleaned for around 38yrs, some are ¾ full of silt and Onley village experiences flooding at times. Mains water and Sewage is in the process of being adopted by Severn Trent Water Authority but to date has not been completed and the residents pay our water rates to a solicitor who works on behalf of HMP Onley.</p> <p>FB explained Onley has one sixth of the precept comes from Onley park due to one sixth of the population. FB also explained if Onley loses our open space land then we will become the 4th prison as there is nothing here except for the open space land all the residents young and old enjoy.</p> <p>FB confirmed main approach road from A45 and up to the telephone box at Onley is up to adoptable standard.</p> <p>Cllr. Longley feels the first process is to contact the legal side to attempt to get the main access road adopted.</p>	
<p>3</p> <p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p>	<p>DC asked for advice concerning 31 garages which were sold by HMP a few years ago and are being rented out at a cost of £12.50 per week and it appears commercial businesses are using the garages and not used for residential parking purpose but storage for their businesses.</p> <p>Cllr, Longley advised contacting DDC planning and mention B1, B2 & B3</p> <p>FB concerned about the neighbourhood plan questionnaire being sent to every household, the majority of the questionnaire is all about Barby and only two small sections about Onley and development. Rumours about Onley losing our open space land to development, Questionnaire is mainly for Barby and not addresses Onley village.</p> <p>DF confirmed chairman to the neighbourhood planning committee has changed the wording to the questionnaire to be sent out end of Sept 2014 to read the introduction to the questionnaire Development in Onley is restricted because of its historical and boundary conditions.</p> <p>FB advised Onley Park open spaces are ring fenced to protect our open spaces and the revue provided by HMP for the up keep to the open spaces. Minutes put out each month by the clerk to Barby & Onley Parish council stipulates the ring fencing concerning the revenue still with the Parish Council. Due to a resolution being passed years ago by other Parish councillors from Onley Park.</p> <p>DF confirmed there is a way out of the agreement due to wording from prison authorities stating the land are for the amenities for the residents of Onley if transgressed in a way then the prison cans request for the money back. What disturbs DF is has been mentioned a developer could pay the dept off back to the prison. DC confirms everyone must complete the questionnaire. DC to email JO with the link once received form Barby & Onley parish council in Sept.</p> <p>JO felt if the open space is registered as a village green it could save our open spaces.</p> <p>Daphne Finch advised of another burglary at Onley this time a motor bike was stolen from a garage opposite 12/13 Onley Park. The thieves removed the roof of the garage, the roves are made of asbestos this is a problem. This particular asbestos is of the dangerous type. In the past month there have been 3 robberies since more and more garages are being rented.</p>	<p>Secretary to write to DDC planning department</p> <p>Secretary to investigate further.</p>

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