Minutes of North Perrott Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 5th May 2015 at the Hoskyns Memorial Hall

Present
Jonathan Hoskyns (Chairman), Enid Hawes (Vice-Chair), Arthur Burton, Nigel Pike

In Attendance
Sarah Murphy (Parish Clerk)

1. **Apologies for absence.**
   There was an apology from Cllr Ric Pallister; apology was accepted.

2. **Declarations of Interest**
   None.

3. **Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 3rd March 2015**
   The minutes were approved and signed.

4. **Matters of report arising from the previous minutes.**
   None.

5. **District and County Councillors’ reports (by invitation)**
   There were none received this time.

6. **Planning Applications**
   6.1 The Council received an appeal notice regarding the land at Grey Abbey Bridge
   An application to carry out internal alterations at 41 New Street, North Perrott has been withdrawn
   6.2 Permission has been granted to Mr Cligg for extensions to existing livestock barns.

7. **Highways**
   Cllr Nigel Pike had nothing further to report regarding roads.
   The Chairman reported that he had carried out an inspection of the drain behind the garden centre and that it needs to be pressure cleaned. He also reported that before that can be done effectively the open ditch further along will have to be cleared and the District Council are responsible for this.
   A drain problem by Cross Tree Cottage has not warranted further action as yet.

8. **Neighbourhood watch**
   No official reports of activity, however, certain known cars have been seen about the village and a suspicious-looking character was seen grooming a horse in Perrott Park. This was reported to the owner/landowner.
9. Speedwatch

The ‘Safe Day’ seemed to have a very positive effect on traffic speeds and the Watch members continue to do a good job of helping keep speeds down.

10. Finance

10.1 the new Council will need to comply with the guidelines as discussed at the last meeting and continue to have the external audit until 2017.
10.2 The Clerk confirmed that the remittance advice for the precept has been received although the latest bank statements do not yet show the funds credited. It was agreed that £4,000 should be transferred into the chequeing account to ensure sufficient funds for the coming year. Transfer of finds APPROVED.
10.3 The bank reconciliation which had been circulated prior to the meeting was approved.
10.4 The web site invoice was deferred.
10.5 The Clerk’s salary was APPROVED.

11. Representative for the Village Hall Committee

This item was deferred until the new Council has been assembled and sworn in.

12. Correspondence

A renewal advice from AON for the Council’s insurance has been received and payment was APPROVED.

The County Council has sent a request for a list of local emergency contacts from each Parish. The Chairman agreed to be responsible for completing this and for updating the village contact list.

Meeting Closed 8.25pm

Next Parish meeting Wednesday 20th May at 7.30pm

The Annual Meeting will be on Wednesday 20th May at 7.30pm