



**The Minutes of Cookhill ANNUAL PARISH Meeting
Held on Tuesday 11th April 2017 at 7pm
Cookhill Village Hall.**

Present: Councillors R. Pinfield (Chairman), A. Sumner (Vice Chairman), M. Churchill & T. Bennett.

In attendance: Clerk – Kate Brazier
District Councillor Audrey Steel
District Councillor David Wilkinson

8 members of the public

The Chairman asked the members of the public if there were any items that they were concerned with on the agenda and if they wished to comment before the meeting officially opened.

A17.001 Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Draper, County Councillor Clive Holt, Tony Carter & Tony Mitchell

Chairman's Report for 2016-2017

A17.002 The Precept for 2017-18 is £22,990

This is the same as last year and equates to a 0% increase on last years' budget.

A17.003 Grants for 2016-17 totals £1,175.00

a) Cookhill Baptist Church – Craft Club	£150.00
b) Cookhill Cricket Club	£425.00
c) St. Paul's Church – Churchyard maintenance	£250.00
d) Cookhill Baptist Church	£250.00

The Budget for Grants for 2017-18 is **£3,000**, if you would like to apply for a Grant from the Parish Council please contact the Clerk.

A17.004 Cookhill Playing Fields

The Parish Council has been very pleased with the Adult Exercise Equipment, installed at the Playing Fields in early 2016, The Parish Council thanked Wychavon for the funding towards this project via Section 106 Monies and also the New Homes Bonus Scheme. The refurbishment of the children's play equipment was finished in late 2016, with the addition of new goals and a new table tennis table.

A.17.005 Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS)

Speeding has been a considerable concern to the Parish this year, particularly the stretch of road just beyond the Nevill Arms Pub. The Parish Council have met with the Police and the Highways department in an effort to reduce the number of road traffic accidents on this stretch and there will be a new, fully funded VAS installed just before the bend at the beginning of May.

A17.006 Planning Applications

The Parish Council continue to receive planning applications. The Chairman reminded the meeting that the Parish Council can only advise and pass on their recommendations. The results of planning applications are ultimately decided by a delegated team of salaried planning officers. Details of how the Parish Council deals with planning can be found on the Parish Council website.

A17.007 Computer Club

The Computer Club / Internet Café is held every Wednesday morning from 10am till 12noon in the Village Hall Meeting Room. The club continues to be very popular and well received and gives local people an informal chance to come along and ask questions and use their laptops or tablets in the company of others. The clerk runs the club and it is free to Cookhill residents. Refreshments are served. Please contact the clerk if you would like more information.

A17.008 Allotments

As a new year starts on the allotments there is just one spare plot. Interested parties should contact the clerk for more information. There is an old Nissan Hut on one of the Parish Council fields due to be removed shortly. The Parish Council wished to thank Mr David Claydon and the Allotment Association for their splendid work at the site and for keeping things running so smoothly.

A17.009 Affordable Housing

One of the houses on the Ridgeway Meadows site became available in 2016 and the Parish Council are pleased to confirm that a Cookhill Parishioner, previously renting in Cladswell Lane, and his family have now moved into the property. The Parish Council were happy to assist in helping the resident secure the property.

A17.010 Dog Fouling

Dog fouling continued to be a problem in the Parish last year. The Parish Council take this very seriously and installed two new dog waste bins and three new dog waste bag dispensers, with a fourth on order. The waste bag dispensers can be found on the corner of Church Lane and Cladswell Lane, Opposite the Nevill Arms and on Edgioake Lane. The new dispenser will be installed at the allotments. Any problem areas should be reported to the clerk.

A17.011 CONCLUSION

The Chairman passed on his thanks to the clerk for her work over the last year and thanked all the Councillors for attending meetings and for their hard work.

A17.0012 Questions from the public – no questions.

This meeting closed at 19:15hrs

Signed Chairman

Dated