

Crawley Parish Council  
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Meeting held on Thursday 23 March 2017

The Lamb Inn, Crawley, at 6.00 pm

In Attendance: Paul Read (PR) Councillor & Vice Chair  
Margaret Cooper (MC) Treasurer  
Paul Lay (PL) Councillor  
John Hill (JH) Councillor  
Joanne Butler Parker (JBP) Parish Clerk  
Kieran Mullins (KM) District Councillor  
Liam Walker (Prospective CC Candidate)

Apologies: Colin Dingwall (CD) Councillor & Chair  
Mark McCappin (MM) Councillor

Apologies:

1. **Apologies**  
Apologies were received from Colin Dingwall (Chair) and Mark McCappin.
2. **Minutes of Last Meeting**  
The minutes of the previous meetings dated 15 December 2016 were approved with one amendment to 3.4 'Witney Association for the Blind'.
3. **Declarations of Interest**  
No declarations of interest were received.
3. **Matters Arising**
  - I. Defibrillator – Now in place on the exterior of The Lamb. Training to be offered in due course.
  - II. Drains – Still no sign of them being cleared. KM to chase.
4. **District update and Local Plan**  
The meeting was informed that the Local Plan had now been submitted to the inspector. Awaiting outcome.
5. **Parish Council's Informal Meeting with Robert Courts MP**  
It was agreed to raise traffic and Local Plan at the meeting. Councillors were asked to forward anything else onto JBP.

KM

6. **Shaarba Homes Proposed Development**  
The meeting was informed that the pre-application for the development had received a letter of no support from WODC. We now await to see if a full application will be submitted.
7. **Traffic through the village**  
PL raised ongoing concerns about the volume and type of traffic we get through the village, in particular articulated lorries. PL had sent photographs to CD and Cllr Gill Hill. No response had been received. Further signage outside of the village would help. PL to send photos to Liam Walker and residents asked to report to PL occurrences, preferably with photos. **PL**
8. **Dog mess on Farm Lane**  
Signs to be put up, bags provided and a wash away sign on the road to be put in place. **PR**
9. **Occupation in Crawley Arms Car Park** **JBP**  
Communication to be sent to the Planning Enforcement Officer to investigate, along with a query regarding the caravan serving food on the Crawley Mill Industrial Estate.
10. **Village Litter Pick and Village Tidy** **JBP**  
Littler Pick to take place 7 May – 10am  
Village Tidy to take place 4 June – 10am  
Communication to be sent to all residents.  
It was also discussed about having flower foxes on the village gates. This idea was supported. PR to take forward with residents **PR**
11. **The Lamb**  
Concern about the possible closure of The Lamb and it's longer term future were discussed. If there is an interim closure another venue will need to be found for PC meetings. The CPC also to stay informed as to the long term future to ensure it continues to run as a Public House. It was suggested that a longer term aim might be to register the pub as a Community Asset.
12. **Parish Meeting 25 May**  
Mr & Mrs Helyar offered the barn at Manor Farm as an alternative venue for the Parish Meeting should The Lamb be closed. Liam Walker to invite Robert Courts as guest speaker.
13. **Treasurer's Report**
  - Y/e at 31 March = £3800, £500 less than previous year.
  - Risk Assessments – the following risk assessments were reviewed and approved by Councillors:-
    - Cutting of grass verges
    - Bonfire night
    - Litter picks
    - War Memorial
    - Conservation visits
  - Mary was appointed as Auditor.

- The Treasurer has ordered and paid for the green bin waste collection service for the graveyard.

14. **AOB**

- JH enquired about the concrete pad for the broadband instalment. It was thought that the Council are looking for a new supplier.

10. **Date of next meeting**

25 May – Parish Meeting – Venue TBC

22 June

21 September

14 December