Meeting of Cropthorne Parish Council held on Monday 18th June 2012 in the Village Hall 7:30pm.

1. APOLOGIES

Present were Chair R Annis (chair) 0 parishioners

Cllr M West

Cllr J Segar

Clerk R J Coles

PC Dave Shortell

CSO Simon Hall

Apologies received from Cllrs Hardy, King, Stoodley & V/chair Meikle and WCC Cllr E Eyre.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Segar – Personal re Village Hall.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cllr West proposed, seconded by Chair Annis, and the meeting agreed that the minutes for the meeting of 14th May 2012 be accepted and signed by chair.

4. FLOODING - JULY 2007 - AFTERMATH

- a) WDC grant of £1,000 is still being considered.
- b) Work on the relief ditch in the orchard at the bottom of Main Street would appear to be almost complete.
- FOLICING contacts are PC Dave Shortell & CSO Rod Gurney (03003 333000 Ext 3408/3499)
 (Also new less urgent 101 services complement 999 emergencies)
 (Neighbourhood Watch contacts are Sue Miller 860 201, Angela Henderson 860 683)

PC Shortell reported that local policing would continue for at least another two years although there would be a bigger reliance on the CSO for communities with the PC working more on the criminality aspects in the area. However both would try to attend all community events where they would promote the use of Smart Water which has been raised in importance within policing circles. West Mercia is amalgamating with Warwickshire at the moment. Neighbourhood Watch will continue to be promoted. CSO Hall reported that leaflets concerning speeding in Smokey Lane have been delivered to all relevant properties.

6. CHARITIES - none

7. VILLAGE HALL

In her absence, Cllr King reported via the clerk that work was expected to restart soon and would include the lighting and the roundhouse base provision for its completion before the end of summer.

As there were no parishioners present the meeting continued.

8. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S / DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

WCC Cllr Eyre released information which will be circulated. WDC Cllr McDonald report had already been circulated covering Local Government Finance Bill, Business rates, Council Tax Benefits, Council Tax Base, New Homes Bonus Scheme and indicated that there is a small change to the South Worcestershire Development Plan regarding possible building sites in the village which should be published for consultation by 21/07/12.

The timing of the Cheltenham Road, Evesham bridge closure was requested and the clerk will follow up. (Cllr Eyre confirms as 2013 Jun/Jul/Aug.)

9. MATTERS ARISING

- a) Footpath 525/Change of Warden The clerk reported that footpath warden FPC Cllr Mills was still trying to get WCC interested in restoring the 'missing' section on FP525. Retiring footpath warden Hilary Hall has indicated that she may have found a potential replacement.
- b) Jubilee Picnic area WCC have withdrawn their proposal to devolve responsibility.
- c) Safety issues of Bus markings & speed stickers The clerk reported that these issues were still under advisement by WCC.

10. SOCIAL HOUSING - none

11. LENGTHSMAN - none

12. PARISH PLAN – priority continues with Sheppey Play Project & Community Projects above.

13. PLANNING

- a) W/12/00610/CA & 609/CA Mr J Carver, Southern Court, Main St Demolition of existing dilapidated greenhouse, boathouse & outbuilding - A no objection response was filed and permission has been granted.
- b) W/12/00909/CU Ms S Hughes, Lower Haselor House Application for change of use of existing buildings previously used as kennels & stables into commercial boarding kennels; change of use of adjoining land for commercial exercise & training area – A no objection response with neighbours' concerns was filed and permission has been granted.
- c) W/12/00963/PP Mr & Mrs Meredith, Cropthorne Lodge, Main St Re-roofing, small workshop and part re-cladding of existing garage A no objection response was filed and a decision is awaited.
- d) W/12/01007/LB Oakleigh, Blacksmiths Lane Retrospective application for erection of work shed with log store A no objection response was filed and a decision is awaited.

14. FINANCE/PRECEPTING

- a) Chair Annis proposed, seconded by Cllr Segar, and the meeting agreed to approve the Bank/Balance Schedules for 18/06/12 to be signed by chair.
- b) Payments approved from above

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616	5 clerk jun sal/all/exp paye	143.01
617	6 HMRC paye	80.20

- c) Cllr Segar proposed, seconded by Cllr West, and the meeting agreed to approve the Statement of Accounts for 2011/12 for passing to external audit.
 - d) Cllr Segar proposed, seconded by Cllr West, and the meeting agreed to the Annual Governance statement being discussed, completed and approved for audit compliance.

15. WEBSITE - none

16. CORRESPONDENCE

23rd May 2012

1	CALC	Update 16 18/04/12
2	Dept of Comm	New rules to ensure fair play on planning
3	WCC Eyre	Community Transport update (emailed)
4	WCC	Waste Core Strategy
5	WDC	Parish Matters April 2012
6	CALC	Update 17 26/04/12
7	WDC	Localism – Rights to Bid & Challenge (emailed)
8	C&C	Direct May 2012

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9	CALC	Update 18 03/05/12
10	poster	Teenage Cancer Trust (emailed)
11	WDC McD	Report for May (emailed)
12	CALC	Update 19 10/05/12
13	PHS	Newsletter
14	CALC	Update 20 17/05/12

17. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION

- a) An invite to 'Chair & Consort' from LANT to attend the placing of a boulder and plaque at Cropthorne Watergate on Saturday 7th July has been received. The timing of the local activity is 10:00-10:30am.
- b) Cllr West reported that following extensive yellow road markings appearing in Middle Lane and Blacksmiths Lane (West), WCC are planning to carry out major repairs in the first half of August to the road surfaces. Work is expected to take no more than 5 days but there may be some disruption to on the road parking for a day or two. The clerk was asked to publicise in Five Alive.
- c) The clerk reported that the Olympic Flame was due through Evesham from North to South starting 11am on Sunday 1st July.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)

Chair closed the meeting at 08:30pm.

The next Meeting of Cropthorne Parish Council is on **Monday 2nd July 2012** 7:30pm at the Village Hall. Any items for inclusion on the agenda and proposed corrections to the minutes must be with the Clerk by Sunday 24th June 2012.

Signed	(Chair)	Date