

- signatory). Recommended changes were summarised and agreed. SP to reissue revised Regs to members. All in favour. MA will replace IC as a signatory on the bank mandate. Clerk to obtain necessary form for completion. **This concludes the business of the AGM.** **CLERK**
- 2005/05/10 Public Open Time**
There being no members of the public present at 7.30pm, the Chair deemed Public Open Time to be closed.
- 2005/05/11 Minutes of last meeting**
The minutes of the meeting held on 21 April were agreed as an accurate record and duly signed by the Chair. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 12 May will be ratified at the June meeting of the Parish Council.
- 2005/05/12 Matters Arising from the minutes**
- 2005/05/12.1 Morricom: London End verge still not reinstated; footpath sign and village nameplate at London End still require attention. Clerk has chased Frank Coughlan at NCC again, awaiting a response. It was noted that Morricom have made a good job of top soiling and re-seeding the remaining verges, for which the Clerk has thanked NCC.
- 2005/05/12.2 HGV sign at Islington: the Clerk reported that Nick Gore at NCC remains adamant that he advised the Clerk, verbally, that a new road traffic sign would have to be installed as the existing fingerpost sign could not be modified to accommodate a directional sign to Thrapston via the A605. The Clerk has no recollection of such a conversation and remains equally convinced that, had this been made clear, she would have referred it to members for consideration, as she has no authority to make decisions on behalf of the Council.
- 2005/05/12.2.1 The sign has received a few comments, some in favour and some against, from parishioners. Members agreed that the sign is serving a purpose until such time as the companies at the business park in Thrapston are able to provide better signage and directions for HGV drivers. No further action will be taken at this time.
- 2005/05/12.3 Additional dog bin at Polopit/High Street junction: the Clerk has written to the parishioners who will have a direct view of the proposed bin from their properties. No objections have been received. GG proposed and IC seconded that the Clerk be authorised to purchase a green dog bin at a cost not to exceed £150 inclusive of VAT. Vote taken, seven in favour and two abstentions. **CLERK**
- 2005/05/12.4 Annual Parish Meeting feedback: The 12 parishioners who attended the APM completed a questionnaire, the results of which indicate that the meeting was generally well received. Suggestions regarding invited speakers for the 2006 APM point to those directly involved with or having a direct influence on the village.
- 2005/05/12.5 Village of the Year Competition: GG reported that she and the Clerk had met with the judges for the two hour discussion and tour of village amenities, which seemed to receive a positive response. Representatives of all villages in the competition will be invited to the announcement of the results and presentation of awards on 16 June (which coincides with next PC meeting). The winners will not be made known prior to this. IC volunteered

to attend to represent the village.

2005/05/13

Finance

2005/05/13.1

Payments to authorise:

Dudley Inkwel	Printer paper and cartridges	£127.42
Allianz Cornhill	Insurance Policy renewal premium	£642.93
Jane Teague	Clerk's quarterly expenses: stamps, telephone calls, envelopes; cost of six bottles of wine for APM refreshments (£28) to be accounted for under Chair's expenses.	£ 35.86
Jane Teague	Clerk's April salary paid by Standing Order	£169.00

It was resolved that all payments be authorised. Proposed by JC, seconded by GG, all in favour.

2005/05/13.2

JG proposed that the Council be environmentally friendly in its disposal of used printer cartridges: he advised that a company called Cartridge World, in Kettering, recycles used cartridges while selling new cartridges at very competitive prices. MA seconded the proposal, all in favour.

CLERK

2005/05/13.3

Adoption of Annual Accounts: all relevant information had been given to members at the April meeting for review. SP advised a minor amendment to show all the Parish Plan income and expenditure (actual & projected) figures included in this financial year. MA proposed that the annual accounts are adopted, GG seconded the proposal, all in favour.

2005/05/14

Correspondence

2005/05/14.1

Parish Plan questionnaire summary: John Gaskin supplied a copy of the analysis of results. Three copies of the summary will be circulated between the members and will be discussed at the June meeting.

**June
Agenda**

2005/05/14.2

Letter from a parishioner raising various matters: the idea of a community garden compost club; discussions brought to light the existence of a District Council garden waste collection service, available on request. The parishioner also commented on the proliferation of road signs in the village, and on the footpath from the top of Bird Lane that had been ploughed up by the landowner [now reinstated].

2005/05/14.3

Letter from ENC - capacity to undertake copying/printing jobs as required by the Parish Council. Details given to JG as this might be of use for printing Titchmarsh Times.

2005/05/14.4

Email from Sarah Mills, NEWT (no Ellands farm Wind Turbines), requesting the opportunity to attend a Parish Council meeting to provide details of the proposal. Agreed to invite her to attend the June meeting at 8pm for 15 minute presentation.

CLERK

2005/05/14.5

Copy of letter from Thrapston Town Council to NCC supporting our request for action at Fisherman's lay-by: response from Nick Gore, NCC, explaining that due to restructure of NCC and change of personnel there are currently no resources to address this matter. He suggests that we convey the information to ENC as the snack van is licensed by them to operate from the lay-by.

CLERK

2005/05/14.5.1

IC proposed that we also write to Bob Seery, as our local representative. Seconded by GG. All in favour.

CLERK

2005/05/14.6

North Northants Joint Planning Unit - Issues and Options paper and sustainability appraisal: advice of and invitation to a briefing

CLERK

	event for stakeholders on 13 June at Wicksteed Park. JG said that he might be able to attend. Clerk to advise name of attendee to organisers.	
2005/05/14.7	<u>NALC Update:</u> the Clerk advised that the NALC AGM will be held on 13 October at South Northants Council offices in Towcester, Members were reminded that the AGM had to be cancelled last year due to poor attendance. In view of comments received from members, the AGM is taking place in the evening rather than on a Saturday. All to consider whether they will be able to attend.	All
2005/05/14.8	All other items of correspondence not requiring action will be circulated in the float file.	
2005/05/15	Planning <u>Outcome of previous applications:</u> <u>EN/05/00324 and 00325, 69 High Street</u> <u>EN/05/00490/FUL Methodist Church, Chapel Street</u> Applications reported to Planning and Licensing Committee on 18 May; the Clerk has received verbal confirmation from ENC that both have been granted planning permission.	
2005/05/16	Clerk's Conditions of Service New guidelines have been issued by NALC regarding the Clerk's terms of service. Information currently with the Clerk. To be discussed at June meeting.	June Agenda
2005/05/17	Report from Playing Field Committee The 10k Road Race and 3k Fun Run were a great success, from which the committee has made around £2000 profit.	
2005/05/18	Reports from local organisations	
2005/05/18.1	<u>Clubroom:</u> JP reported that the committee thanked the Parish Council for the directional sign for the Clubroom.	
2005/05/18.2	GG asked whether cleaning/washing up materials should be available for hirers' use. JP will bring this up with the committee. <u>School:</u> JJ reported that the school is proposing some internal and external changes to the buildings, which will be subject to a planning application.	
2005/05/19	Date of next meeting Thursday, 16 June at 7.30pm in the Clubroom. IC, GG and MA all made their apologies for non-attendance (IC will be representing the Council at the Village of the Year competition results evening).	
2005/05/20	Items for report only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA was thanked for disposing of Engine House old doors. • Complaint from a parishioner reporting that the daffodil foliage on the elevated section of Church Street has been cut down too early. Council aware of this, area has now been dressed with fertiliser. • Temporary planning permission on the garage in the Clubroom car park is due to expire. • Speeding concerns. • Speeding poster boards to be displayed throughout village for three weeks. • Village benches may require maintenance. 	June Agenda
	<i>The Chair closed the meeting at 9.04pm</i>	