CRATFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 11th May 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Following the Annual Meeting of the Council Present Lotty Barbour, Richard Chivers Robert Sannick Gloria Steward, Michael Oliver, Peter Baker ,Barry Cable (Clerk)

OPEN FORUM

No matters were raised in this part

1/ Chairman's Welcome Lotty welcomed all to the meeting

2/ Apologies for Absence Chris Mobbs

<u>3/ Declarations of Interest</u> in Agenda Items, Gloria declared an interest in Item 11~ a letter written by her husband –Planning at School Farm

4/ Minutes of last meeting to be agreed and signed Agreed And signed by the Chairman

5/ Matters arising None

6/ Police, County & District Councillors Reports None Recieved

7/ Chairman's remarks The Village Litter pick had taken place on Saturday 18th April and we were visited by P C S O Julie Hinton who had brought along a police patrol car which was parked at the Village Hall so that litter pickers could come and talk to her. Robert said that the District Council was annoyed that some of the picking sticks had gone missing, but it was thought that they were simply misplaced. She went on to the matter of Councillor Bob Stratford, who had decided not to seek re-election at the General election .A local artist, Mick Chave had painted a special "Retirement" card for him, which was signed by all members of the council as an appreciation of his years of service dealing with local tradesmen as required and being our Neighbourhood Watch Officer. The Clerk is to write a report for the magazine on these matters

<u>8/ Clerks Report</u> – No items that are not covered elsewhere

<u>9/ RFO Report, and to approve accounts for payment</u> - It was noted that 1^{st} half of precept $\sim £1,273.73$. had been received, and the following payments were approved and paid \sim SALC Membership E1/16 £162.00 \sim B Cable E2/16 Salary £ 344.33

10/ Hard Copy Correspondance Received

A catalogue of products from Wicksteed Playgrounds

- 11/ Planning Matters ~ a copy of a letter from David R Steward of Chesnuts", Bell Green to S C D C regarding the Development at School Farm, itemizing a number of points, the full letter is filed with these minutes
- **12/Dog Fouling** A further article is to go in the Parish Magazine regarding this nuisance as a lot of dogs are seen to be roaming around unsupervised.
- 13/ Village Pump Repaint To consider Quotations received —only one quote had been received, from Ian Thompson which gave 2 options, A to give the pump a good clean and give the wooden "skirt" a little filler for £50 or B/ to replace the "skirt" with treated timber £150.00 The front rail simply needs a good clean. Council decided the it would be better to replace the "skirt," The Clerk is to instruct Ian to proceed as soon as he can.

<u>14/ Potholes</u> the Clerk reported that he had attended a Clerks meeting held by SALC where, among other items the Highways Department showed a video of a newly acquired machine which would clean out the damaged area, spray with tar and back-fill with chippings, in a much quicker way than in the past. However while many holes in the village had been treated in this way, there were still some more to fill. The Clerk is to contact Highways about these and also request removal of the contractors signage left tied to various posts

15/ Councillors Reports

Neighbourhood Watch ~none

Website ~ Gloria had nothing to report

Date of next Meeting 18th May 2015- Annual Meeting of the Parish

Meeting closed 9.00 pm