

invited Councillors and members of the community to visit the complex and inspect the facilities and activities being provided. The Chair expressed the Council's appreciation for the information and invitation.

- Mrs Ivy Redfern expressed her appreciation for the work done to improve the Village amenities by people from the Village.
- Mr Keith Laver complained about the lack of achievements by the Village Council. In particular, he criticised the lack of development of the former telephone kiosk, the lack of activities for the elderly and young people and the lack of Christmas lights decorations. The Chair, Clerk and Village Councillors responded to these claims.
- Mr David Derbyshire referred to his planning application last year for a new house which was refused by the Newark and Sherwood District Council. He claimed that the Village Council, in objecting to his application gave false information and asked for an apology. The Chair and the Clerk rejected these claims emphasising that the refusal was on grounds determined by the District Council. (Note. Mr Derbyshire's amended planning application for this proposal is to be considered later in this meeting).

There being no further items brought up under this item of business, standing orders were re-activated for the remainder of the meeting.

007/14 Minutes of the Village Council Meeting held on 22nd April 2013

Subject to the following amendments, the minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd April 2013 were adopted as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair.

- Minute no 186/13. 3rd bullet point. Delete "arrayed" and replace with "arranged".
- Minute no 188/13. 1st bullet point. Delete "SIG" and replace with "SNG".
- Minute no 192/13. 1st paragraph. Delete "attracted" and replace with "attached".

008/14 Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 22nd April 2013

Subject to the following amendments, the minutes of the 2013 Kings Clipstone Annual Parish Meeting held on the 22nd April 2013, were agreed to be an accurate record. (The 2014 Annual Parish Meeting will consider formally adopting the minutes).

- Attendance list. Delete question marks for "Mrs Ivy" and replace with "Redfern".

009/14 County Councillors Report

Cllr M Bradley welcomed back County Cllr John Peck and congratulated him on his recent re-election as County Councillor. Cllr Peck thanked the Chair for her kind remarks and looked forward to working with the Village Council during the next four years.

Cllr Peck commented that following the change in political leadership of the County Council, a complete review was underway upon the County Councils current financial position. Sadly, it was likely that further cuts in services will occur. In the meantime Cllr Peck reported as follows.

- The County's LIS grants remain open to applications and the Village Council was advised to put in bids before the 27th September 2013.
- The new road signs on Gorsethorpe Lane now need monitoring for their effectiveness.
- Vehicular speed limits in the Clipstone/Cavendish area were being changed and a 20mph limit was being planned outside the School.
- He was still pressing for Squires Lane to be resurfaced.

After discussion, Cllr Peck was thanked for his attendance and report to the meeting.

010/14 District Councillors Report

District Cllr Sheila Soar gave a report which included the following.

- The District Council's structure was changing from a "cabinet" organisation back to a "committee" organisation.
- Cllr Soar will be serving on the District Councils General Purposed Committee.
- The District Council is offering further training in dealing with planning applications (contact Sue Kinder).
- In answer to a question from the Village Council Clerk, Cllr Soar clarified the District Councils policies relating to Infrastructure Levies and Section 106 Levies.

After discussion, Cllr Soar was thanked for her attendance and her report.

011/14 Village Councillors Statement/Comments

Cllr J Harbottle reported that the next meeting of the SNG was planned for the 1st July 2013. She added that police action was increasing for controlling the "fatal four" causes of road traffic fatalities and injuries (i.e. drugs, non use of seat belts, excessive speeding and use of mobile phones whilst driving). A new Police Support Officer had been appointed and contact details will be supplied shortly.

A report was received that despite action by Cllr Parkhouse, the gateway to the recreation ground was still being obstructed by a parked car. It was agreed to place a warning notice on the windscreen of the vehicle concerned.

012/14 Planning Consultations

Planning reference 13/00465/FUL. Detached dwelling, plot 1, The Kennels, Main Road.

After a full examination of the details of this proposal, it was **AGREED** that no objection be raised at this time (two votes in favour, one against and two abstentions)

NSDC Draft Affordable Housing Planning Document.

The Clerk gave a summary report of the District Councils emerging policy for affordable housing in the District. The report was **NOTED** by the meeting.

013/14 Alleged inconsistency in dealing with Planning Matters

Following a complaint sent to Cllr Parkhouse from Mr Keith Laver, the Clerk had reviewed past planning matters considered by the Village Council during the last year. Notes of guidance issued by the CPRE and NALC were available as was advice from the SLCC. In summary that guidance advised Local Councils to consider planning issues from the following aspects.

- The views of local residents
- The protection of areas of special interest
- The specific characteristics of the local environment
- Future needs of the local community
- Compliance with Planning law and building regulations
- Ensuing proposals detail and supporting information is accurate
- Compliance with approved Village Plans
- Public safety.

In all past planning matters dealt with by the Village Council, only aspects contained in the above advice had been considered. Whenever disclosure of interests by Village Councillors was involved, Councillors had erred on the side of caution as a matter of habit. The Clerk had not therefore found any evidence of inconsistency.

After discussion, the Clerks report was **NOTED** by the meeting.

014/14 Repairs/Replacement of Original Seat on Archway Road.

The meeting considered what action to take in connection with the damaged seat on Archway Road. After discussion, it was **AGREED** to attempt a repair to the seat.

015/14 Internal Audit of Accounts for 2012/13

The Clerk reported the successful completion on the internal audit of accounts for the year ending 31st March 2013. No item of major significance had been raised and the Internal Auditor has issued an unreserved certificate. In a covering note he had made one detailed suggestion for future action, which was for two Councillors to sign the invoices/payment vouchers at the same time as the payment cheques were signed. The meeting **AGREED** to implement this suggestion immediately. The accounts were now be submitted to the External Auditors, Grant Thornton of Liverpool for the final audit certification.

016/14 Accounts for Payment

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments

<u>Chq. No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Gross</u>
002	D Dixon	Internal Audit fee	£45	nil	£45.

003	M Plumb	Salary/expenses	£232.80p	nil	£232.80p
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017/14 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 10th June 2013. 7.00pm

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 9.00pm