

# Mursley Parish Council

## Minutes of the meeting of Mursley Parish Council

held at 8.00 pm on Monday 25th January, 2010 in the Committee Room, Mursley Village Hall.

**Present:** Neil Coles (Chairman), Kym Bartlett, Wendi Cramphorn, Gerry Gallagher, Garry Ives, Len Ward

**In attendance:** Ian Hook (Clerk)

### 1. Apologies

Tim Dolder

### 2. Minutes

*Approved* - A final version of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th December, 2009.

### 3. Matters Arising

*Agreed* - Allotments; an approach should be made to AVDC regarding land off Church Lane to establish whether it could be made available for allotments. If a positive outcome is not achieved, then the matter should be closed.

*Agreed* - Before a final decision is made regarding a contract for grass cutting in 2010, an alternative quote should be obtained. (Action: the clerk). That is not to suggest any dissatisfaction with the incumbent but the council is obliged to seek competitive quotations.

*Agreed* - As there has been no further comment from the Parochial Council regarding the church step, no further action is required.

*Agreed* - Given the refusal of the Baptist Church to allow the Parish Council to install an activated light on the corner of the church, the matter will not be pursued. However, a quote from Aylesbury Mains should be sought for a new streetlight. (Action: Gerry Gallagher).

### 4. Finances

*Approved* - The Financial Statement to 31st December, 2009

*Approved* - Cheque for Parochial Church Council for hire of Rectory Rooms - £30.00

*Approved* - Cheque for Mursley Village Hall for hire of village hall - £30.00

*Approved* - Cheque for E-ON for supply of electricity to street lamps - £247.64.

*Agreed* - Not to donate to Coombe Hill Monument Appeal.

### 5. Planning Issues

*Noted* - AVDC decisions: -

- 09/01424/APP. The Wilderness Salden Lane. Retention of building for ancillary accommodation and storage. Approved
- 09/01922/APP 19 Whaddon Road. Single storey side extension and rear conservatory. Approved

- 09/01999/ATP Brook Cottage Church Lane. Work on protected trees. Approved
  - 09/02039/APP Brook Cottage Church Lane. Demolition of garage and erection of two storey annex. Refused
  - 09/01663/APP. White Gates Cottage 2 Church Lane. Two storey rear and side extension. Approved
- Noted* - Plan for conservatory at 4 Church Lane, not requiring planning permission but sent out of courtesy by householder.

## **6. Speed Survey**

*Noted* - Evidence that the recent survey had been conducted at the same position on Whaddon Road as the previous survey and that there was no noticeable improvement since the installation of the Vehicle Activated Sign. Under the circumstances, it was considered unlikely that a second device would be purchased.

## **7. Affordable Housing**

*Agreed* - Following information from BCA regarding the Affordable Housing project that, almost certainly, the speed limit of 30 mph on Station Road would need to be extended beyond the proposed site, it was agreed to approach BCC to seek such an extension. Subsequent to the meeting, BCC has notified the Council of a proposal to make that change together with extending the 30mph limit on Whaddon Road to be level with the water tower and making the rest of Whaddon Road 50 mph. Comments, support or objection are invited before 19th March.

## **8. Parish Pump**

*Agreed* - Wendi Cramphorn advised that the next issue of the Pump was imminent and was just awaiting the final articles.

## **9. School Buses Dropping Points**

*Noted* - Kym Bartlett advised that the County Council School Transport Authority had been due to carry out a survey of the bus dropping points in Mursley but had been thwarted by the snow. The matter would continue to be pursued.

## **10. Salt Bins**

*Agreed* - Following the recent problems caused by the snow and in response to several requests, it was agreed to request two salt bins, one for the junction of Station Road and Tweedale Close and the other for the Beechams. It was acknowledged that these cost £450 each. The clerk to request these bins from BCC Highways Department.

## **11. Web site**

*Noted* - It was still not possible for the Council to input information directly to the web site; this would continue to be done by Barry and Alison Agnew for the near future. Kym Bartlett presented three £25 cheques from non-villagers advertising on the web site. Separate lines in the financial statement would record the receipts and costs for the web site.

## **12. Post Office Questionnaire**

*Agreed* - To respond to the questionnaire regarding financial offerings by the Post Office as being not applicable to the Council.

### **13. NALC Local Council Awards**

*Agreed* - Not to make any nomination.

### **14. East West Railway**

*Noted* - Announcement of Launch of Chiltern Railway's Evergreen 3 Project.

### **15. Thames Valley Police Community Feedback**

*Agreed* - There were no incidents to be reported.

### **16. Dates for Diaries**

Parish Council Meetings: 8 March, 19 April, 31 May

Parish Council Planning: 15 February, 29 March, 10 May

Len Ward and Gerry Gallagher advised that they would not be able to attend the meeting on 8 March.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.