

Mursley Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Mursley Parish Council

held at 8.00 pm on Monday 26th October, 2009 in the Committee Room, Mursley Village Hall.

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

In attendance: Ian Hook (Clerk)

1. Apologies

None

2. Minutes

Approved - A final version of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th September, 2009.

3. Matters Arising

Noted - Lopping of trees to make street lamps visible - Mr Tomlinson has cleared the branches at no. 19 Church Lane, Eon will do the same for the lamps at 1 Main Street and 7 Church Lane.

Noted - Following further requests for land for allotments, no positive replies have been received. If no positive replies have been received by the next meeting, the matter should be closed.

Noted - BCC has advised that there is no longer equipment available for private snow clearance. Mrs E Robinson has been notified accordingly.

4. Finances

Approved - The Financial Statement to 30th September, 2009

Approved - Cheque for Mursley Village Hall (Hire of Village Hall) - £30.00

Approved - Cheque for EON (Electricity supply for street lights) - £247.64

Approved - Cheque to BCC for Vehicle Activated Sign - £6653.00

Approved - Cheque to AVDC for Dog Hygiene bins - £232.02

Agreed - Donation to Aylesbury Vale Dial-a-Ride rejected as Winslow Bus is more appropriate

Agreed - In view of the difficulty of obtaining a suitable valuation for the War Memorial and as, in the event of loss or damage, it would not be necessary to restore to original state, it was decided not to add to insurance.

5. Planning Issues

Noted - AVDC decisions: -

- 09/01476/APP - 1 Tweedale. Single storey side extension. Approved.
- 09/01071/APP and 09/01072/APP - Salden Crabtree Farm. Extension to existing agricultural barn. Approved.
- 09/00625/AP - Church Hill Cottage Church Lane. Withdrawn.

Noted - Decisions by MPC Planning Committee: -

- 09/01348/APP – Land adjacent to Whaddon Road. Erection of two agricultural buildings. No objections.
- 09/01668/APP – White Gates. 2 Church Lane. Two storey rear and side extension. No objections.
- 09/01681/APP – Shorndown, Swanbourne Road. Erection of agricultural barn. No objections.
- 09/01535/APP - CofE School, Main Street. Creation of disabled access ramp and steps. No objection

Agreed -

- 09/01839/APP - 1 Main Street. Erection of conservatory, logstore and replacement shed. No Objections
- 09/01855/APP - Lark Rise, 15 Church Lane. Conversion of garage into annexe and erection of detached garage and workshop. Renewal of 05/00947/APP. No Objections.

Agreed - In response to a request from Mr. Tomlinson of Brook Cottage, Church Lane, it was agreed that if a renewed application was made based on the exact plans included in 08/02900/APP, which was considered in January this year, then the position of No Objection would continue.

Noted - Latest information regarding local planning developments: -

- Salden Chase. AVDC workshop to be held in Newton Longville 28th October would be attended by Neil Coles and Gerry Gallagher.
- Winslow Shipton and Buckingham Hallam; likely planning application to be made before next year.

6. BCC Delegated Budget Application

Agreed - Gerry Gallagher to prepare funding application for footpath extension in Station Road and parking in The Lane. (Note: May 11th minutes indicated that any funding for parking in The Lane could only come from this source.) Clerk to request electronic application forms.

7. Speed Survey

Noted - Results of recent Speed Survey appeared to indicate that the installation of the VAS had not been a success, however, confirmation of the validity of the results had been requested before any conclusions and therefore further actions could be made.

8. Baptist Chapel Lighting

Agreed - Kym Bartlett advised that those responsible for the Baptist church were amenable to converting the lamp on the corner of the church to one that would react to approximate activity providing the Parish Council covered the costs. It was agreed that the Clerk would propose to the church authorities that the Parish Council would pay for the appropriate device to be installed and make a contribution for the power used equivalent to one street lamp of the Council's annual lighting bill.

9. Parish Pump

Noted - Wendi Cramphorn agreed to prepare the next edition of the pump for end November – suggested articles to be advised as soon as possible and could include Diamond Jubilee preparations and the request for an odd-job man.

10. Affordable Housing

Noted - Garry Ives advised that he attended a meeting with Graham Bonham and his sister, together with BCA and AVDC Planning and Highways, the outcome of which was quite favourable and promising. BCA had advised that they would arrange a village meeting after formalities had been agreed between the housing association and the landowner.

11. Road Repairs

Noted - Repairs had been recently undertaken by BCC Highways Dept. successfully in Stewkley Lane and Church Lane.

12. Web Site

Noted - Kym Bartlett advised that adverts were now being included on the site and that non-villagers advertising would now be invoiced at £25 each. (A delay had been due to the quality of image).

13. Mowing Contract for 2010

Agreed - That the performance of Martin Dowding had been good and that he should be invited to continue the operation for 2010. To be included on next agenda.

14. Music in Quiet Places and Perfect Sunday Village

Agreed - These events offered by AVDC are more appropriate for the church to arrange and therefore the clerk should pass the paperwork to Andrew Cowell.

15. School Bus Dropping Points

Noted - Kym Barlett advised that her contact with BCC had been logged by them and we should await a response to the proposal for a safer dropping point for schoolchildren.

16. Churchyard Step into Church Lane

Agreed - Neil Coles to discuss with the Chairman of the Parochial Council to establish precisely what action they expected before any approach was made to Highways dept.

17. Non-Highway Road Signs

Agreed - Commercial advertising signs should be removed whereas signs advertising village events which are of a temporary nature would be acceptable.

18. Thames Valley Police Community Feedback

Noted - Nothing to report as the several recent incidents were already known to the police.

19. Dates for Diaries

Parish Council Meetings: 7 December, 25 January, NB 7 December meeting to be held in Rectory Rooms

Parish Council Planning: 16 November, 4 January