Mawsley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 December 2012

Present: Cllr. Thomas; Cllr. McIvor; Cllr Cope; Cllr Littler; Cllr Farthing; Cllr Barnwell; Diana MacCarthy (Clerk)

Members of the public present: Rev Priestley; Tom Sanders; Pat Rowley; Pat Downing; Trisha Cottington; Fiona Redden

12.12.1 Apologies for Absence: Cllr MacDonald

12.12.2 Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Littler declared his position as a Director of Mawsley Villagers Association Ltd. (MVA) and as a Director of The Centre at Mawsley CIC, and The Sports Council. Cllr MacDonald declared her interest in The Centre at Mawsley and The Mawsley Village Association. Cllr Cope declared his interest in Mawsley Amateur Dramatics and Bowls. Cllr Farthings husband is a member of MVA.

12.12.3 Allotted time for members of the public

Rev Priestley asked that it be noted that he is very thankful to the Parish Council and MAD for the Christmas lights and the Cross outside the Centre, which was not requested by the Church specifically. Cllr Littler said that the Board of TCAM felt it was a non-denomination building and the cross should be removed. Rev Priestley said it was a Christian symbol and was not of any particular denomination, he further understood that there was to be a faith room within the Centre. Pat Rowley was shocked that it had actually been attached to the building. Other members of the public felt that it was an appropriate way to celebrate Christmas. Cllr Farthing and Cllr McIvor were in favour of retaining it on the Centre, Cllr Cope could not comment as he is a part of MAD. Finally it was decided that due to the effort put in the cross would remain but only for this year. Proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr Farthing. All Cllrs in favour, save for Cllr Cope who abstained

Trish Cottingham asked whether we could plant poppies for the British Legion for 2014. 10,000 are £9.99, and they will even plant them if required. Cllr Thomas supported the idea but the issue is that the Parish Council does not have any land in their ownership at present. Planting would take place in February 2014.

Fiona Redden asked whether we could have any more dog bins as she has dogs and felt there was not enough. The issue with land ownership was explained further.

12.12.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr. Thomas proposed the minutes of the meeting held 19 November 2012 and Cllr. Cope seconded these.

12.12.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting – see Minutes

12.10.5.1	RB	To investigate wording for declaration on walk way	Declaration prepared. Cllr Barnwell to have witnessed by a solicitor then NCC to put on definitive map - ongoing
12.11.9.2	VC/BL	Research CCTV costings	Ongoing.
12.11.13.1	Clerk	To speak to Tim Bellamy regarding advice on Parish Plans	

12.12.6 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

Nothing received.

12.12.7 **Taylor Wimpey**

Phase 1 has been adopted, and a copy certificate received.

12.12.8 Mawsley Community Fund

No applications received in time but an application for January from the Mawsley Rugby club was discussed.

12.12.9 The Centre at Mawsley

No issues raised.

12.12.10 Police Matters

No police in attendance and no monthly reports.

Cllr Barnwell confirmed that he has authorised a local police officer to train his dog in his fields.

12.12.11 Villager issues

A villager had raised concern regarding water seeping from a field. This is an issue with drainage and not one with which the Council can assist.

12.12.12 Accounts and Budgets – move heading in line with Agenda

Clerk provided update on figures of bank accounts.

Precept was then discussed. Cllr Barnwell would like to precept to raise around £15,000 for the sinking fund, on top of the £24,000 funding for TCAM.

Clerk to prepare a schedule of costs in relation to next year and circulate. ACTION 12.12.12.1

TCAM invoice £67.50 - for room hire – agreed by all Councillors.

12.12.13 Correspondence and Clerks update

Various correspondences were discussed.

Clerk has met with the Junior School Council last week. They were really keen to work with the Council and were putting suggestions forward. The next step was to put a suggestion box in each class and to meet and discuss this in January. Clerk is then to return to the school in February.

Cllr Barnwell was concerned at lack of available activities for older children. ACTION 12.12.13.1 RB to ask someone from 'People March' to come in and talk to us.

12.12.14 Planning

A brief overview of neighbourhood plans and village plans was given and it was decided the Clerk will ask Kettering Borough to attend the next meeting to advise.

12.12.15 Items for newsletter/website.

A brief précis of each Councillor is to be added to the newsletter and is to be submitted prior to 4 January. ACTION 12.12.15.1 Clerk to email Cllr MacDonald regarding this.

12.12.16 Any Other Business

Nothing raised.

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ACTION POINTS

12.12.12.1	Clerk	Distribute schedule of estimated future costs
12.12.13.1	RB	To request 'People March' attend meeting
12.12.15.1	Clerk	To email Cllr MacDonald regarding article for newsletter

The meeting ended at 21:22								
Signed:		Date:						