#### **Mawsley Parish Council**

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th June 2015

Present: Cllr Littler; Cllr Barnwell; Cllr Richards; Cllr Sanders; Cllr Cope; Cllr White; Diana MacCarthy (Clerk)

Members of the public present: None

15.06.1 Apologies for Absence:

The Police.

15.06.2 Declaration of Interests

None received.

15.06.3 Allotted time for members of the public

No members of the public present.

15.06.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the meeting of 18th May 2015, save for that Cllr Barnwell was in attendance.

Proposed by Cllr Barnwell and Seconded by Cllr Cope.

# 15.06.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

Cllr Littler asked that all matters are added to the box and not left within the Minutes as we are overlooking items within the Minutes. This is to be added to the end of the Minutes.

All policies had been reviewed by the working party and were approved by the Council and re-adopted. As regards Standing Orders the time limit of two hours is to remain but new working parties are to be formed to review work outside of the meeting. Councillors are to forward any documents to be discussed to the Clerk by the Monday previous to the meeting and this will then be sent out to all Councillors with the Agenda on the Tuesday. Cllr Barnwell has also asked that any planning applications which cannot be considered as not received in time for the Agenda are also notified to the Council.

Concerns over staffing levels had been reported back to TCAM and they agreed with our concerns and are now looking in to this. This will be raised at our joint TCAM meeting, due to be held later in the week.

## 15.06.6 Accounts and Budgets

The following invoices were approved for payment.

Paid to	In respect of	Amount	Budget Heading
Clerk	Salary	£348.72	Clerk Salary
TCAM	Room hire	£45	Room hire
Keith Barrow	Maintenance and repair to pressurisation Unit	£270.00	Centre Maintenance
Doorway	6 Monthly	£114.00	Centre

services	maintenance		Maintenance
Kensigns	Village signs	£148.80	Village improvements
Cllr Richards	Planter flowers	£35	Village improvements

All cheques were approved for payment.

The internal audit report was discussed in full detail. It was felt that whilst this would be discussed at our joint meeting it was important that we need to seek independent advice as regards concerns raised. Cllr Littler suggested a working party be formed to produce a report to clarify responsibilities and the relationships. A working party is to be formed consisting of Cllrs Littler and Barnwell and the Clerk. Cllr Barnwell was also concerned as to some comments which had been made by TCAM and Cllr Littler felt that this did not reflect their true situation.

The Clerk produced a copy of the up to date budget – Cllr Littler asked that a carried forward figure be produced for discussion and this to be added to the next Agenda. Cllr Littler is to review items that are to be added to our asset register that we have paid for on behalf of the Centre. The Clerk is to chase Hugh for the invoice for Chiller and carpet.

# 15.06.7 Mawsley Interface with Kettering Borough Council

An email had been received from Peter Chaplin (Kettering Borough Council) as regards the adoption of open space which stated that 'of the land formerly owned or still owned by TW I can confirm that at least all of phase 1 has been adopted. Indeed these sites have been adopted since November .....I am sorry that I cannot at present send you a single plan showing the Phase 2 Taylor Wimpey sites.

However, the 12<sup>th</sup> attachment is a Plan provided by TW and called 'Out of title' Master Plan'. I received this today from Taylor Wimpey's Technical ... You will note that this plan shows a significant area of land coloured red which their Technical Director has told me is no longer in their ownership. This includes land sold to owners of dwellings at Mawsley as well as the open space land from their two phases.

You will note some areas in green which the plan indicates is still in control of Taylor Wimpey East Midlands: relating to highway verge and some small areas of POS. Therefore, with the exception of these sites, and those annotated SM (Taylor Wimpey South Midlands) the Technical Director for the company has advised that (he believes) these to have been adopted. That being the case, by deducting the Phase 1 sites from the Title Plan most of phase 2 of Taylor Wimpey land will be identified.

To satisfy myself that all the phase 2 former Taylor Wimpey land is indeed being maintained by KBC I have asked my colleagues in respectively our legal team (District Law) and Environmental Care (landscape maintenance) to confirm that the understanding from TW re Phase 2 is indeed correct. I have no reason to doubt it but as there are others who have more direct responsibility in that regard it is obviously sensible to check with them further. We shall be able to advise the Parish definitely on what land in phase 2 we are currently looking after once that check has been done.

#### 'David Wilson Homes site'

The bulk of David Wilson Open space is the white area on the Taylor Wimpey Plan. I re attach the David Wilson plan (13<sup>th</sup> attachment) which you may recall seeing before. David Wilson's landscape contractors have continued to maintain this, to my knowledge to a satisfactory standard. We will consider whether we can re- open a discussion with them about the possibility of the Council looking after this in the longer term. However, to date there has been no agreement on a commuted sum to facilitate this, and the original S106 made no provision for such a sum.

Cllr White confirmed that he had made progress with Julia Baish (Kettering Borough Council) as regards removing the fence at the top of Birch Spinney. Kettering Borough Council appears happy to open this up to enable people to walk across uninterrupted. He is also still trying to obtain some form of agreement as regards the planning required for UPVC windows.

## 15.06.8 The Adoption Process

See above

#### 15.06.9 Community Fund

TCAM had put in a request for funding for new signage on the building to the cost of £1019.30. They confirmed that this included 20% match funding.

Proposed Cllr Cope

Seconded Cllr Richards

## 15.06.10 The Centre at Mawsley

Cllr Littler confirmed that regulatory documents are to be discussed at the joint meeting

Centre inspection – Following a recent landlords inspection of the Centre, all Councillors accepted the contents and it was agreed that issues raised within this would be raised on Wednesday, at the joint meeting

Fire Door quotes – Cllr Cope had obtained three quotes. He felt that the best quote was through Top Notch for £8141.00, FG Joinery is just over £7000.00 but he raised concern as to whether this would cover all works required. Further he felt that Top Notch were reliable and trustworthy and have been used previously. Top Notch has also confirmed that the final figure may be lower once the work is completed

Cllr Cope had spent 43 hours researching the doors and obtaining the quote, all Councillors thanked him for his work.

It was proposed that we go with Top Notch and that the money is taken from the sinking fund.

Proposed Cllr Barnwell

Seconded Cllr White

#### 15.06.11 Police matters

5 cases of criminal damage, 1 sexual offence and 3 violent offences, most of which were domestic offences.

It was proposed to extend the meeting by Cllr Barnwell and seconded by Cllr Richards.

Cllr Sanders had made enquiries as regards the damage to local cars; it would appear that there are no new incidences to report

## 15.06.12 Villager Issues

Community bus services – Cllr Sanders met with the co-ordinator and she is coming back on Wednesday to speak with the coffee group and to offer a pilot service. The issue of where the bus would be parked is also to be discussed.

Outdoor fitness equipment – A quote had been obtained by Cllr Richards as to what we could purchase for £10,000.00. Cllr Richards is to obtain further quotes and an article is to be added to the newsletter to gauge interest. Agreement would also need to be obtained by Kettering Borough Council as regards to insurance and maintenance. We would then look at options as regards possibly funding to help towards the purchase costs.

Village signage – Cllr Richards had been reviewing possible entrance signage. He had a checklist as regards to how we proceed with this. Cllr Richards is to discuss with members of the village and ask for their proposed favoured option and to also show a selection of designs at the fun day. Cllr Barnwell felt it would be better if we design the sign ourselves and ask the villagers to fund it.

Sports Council update - Walgrave & Amber Football club have disbanded and the Mawsley & Loddington cricket club have moved from Mawsley. Youth football and touch rugby are thriving within the village and rounder's is also doing well. The Sports council is looking after the pitches and they are speaking to Sport England as regards possible grants.

Cllr Littler to speak with the cricket club as regards what they wish to do with the hut and also as regards ownership of items purchased by grants.

## 15.06.13 Correspondence and clerks update

The Clerk had confirmed that there were possibly five people interested in the Councillor vacancy. The Clerk is to arrange an interview date for all to attend.

The Clerk had emailed a list of the key document held. Any suggestions for missing items are to be sent to the Clerk. Cllr Barnwell suggested dividing this in to one general file and one regarding the centre.

Cllrs then approved the <u>Resolution</u> 'that having met the eligibility criteria as defined in section 8(2) of the Localism Act 2011 and prescribed by Article 2 of and set out in the Schedule to the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, Mawsley Parish Council confirms that it is entitled to use the General Power of Competence made available by section 1(1) of the Localism Act 2011'.

#### 15.06.14 Facebook and Council website

Tina Britt (2Commune) gave an over view of a new website design. The costing for the first year would be £1050 plus VAT then £400 each year as an ongoing expense. Cllr Littler suggested we first need to look at our current website and what this offers, then we need to look at the pricing for improving our current website and then compare this to what 2commune offer. A working party is to be formed to move this forward, and will consist of Cllrs White (Chair) and Barnwell and the Clerk. Cllr Barnwell felt that the website which her company were offering had many functions not required for a Parish of our size.

#### 15.06.15 Planning

KET/2015/0414 – 39 Old Gorse Way – No objection

Neighbourhood plan – Cllr white is still researching this, 480 housing units are required in rural areas within North Northamptonshire. This is unlikely to affect Mawsley as we have a high number of social housing already. Cllr White feels as a village we do not have much to plan for at present but he has been advised by Kettering Borough Council that we should proceed with the questionnaire. We cannot comment on land outside the village. The contents of questionnaire are to be added for the next Agenda

#### 15.06.16 Items for the newsletter and website

Proposed new village signage at entrance to the village.

Proposed fitness equipment for persons aged 14+ within the village.

## The meeting ended at 9.45

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12.10.5.1	RB	To investigate wording for declaration on walk way	Ongoing

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12.12.13.1	RB	People March to be visited and advice given for activities for young people within Mawsley.	A meeting is to be arranged with Cllr Barnwell, Cllr Cope and Cllr Richards. They are to visit March to discuss with an established group. Cllr Richards is to investigate outdoor keep fit equipment.
14.4.7.1	KW	Open space plan	Cllr White dealing.
14.4.7.3	JH	Article 4 area and glazing issues	Cllr White is still dealing and is trying to arrange a meeting with planning.
14.4.7.4	BC	Licence to occupy	This is now with the Borough Council.
15.6.6.1	BL	Review items that are to be added to	

Date: .....

	1	our asset register that we have paid	
		for on behalf of the Centre.	
15.6.6.2	Clerk	Chase TCAM for invoice for Chiller and carpet.	
15.6.6.3	Clerk, BL, RB	Working party to meet to discuss the internal audit report	
15.6.6.4	Clerk	A carried forward figure is to be produced for discussion and this to be added to the next Agenda.	
15.6.12.1	PR	Further quotes to be obtained for outdoor fitness equipment	
15.6.12.2	PR	Selection of village signs to be added to the newsletter and discussed at the Funday.	
15.6.12.3	BL	To speak to cricket club as regards ownership of items purchased via grant	
15.6.13.1	Clerk	To arrange interviews for Councillor vacancy	
15.6.13.2	Councillors	To forward suggestions for key documents	
15.6.14.1	Cllrs Barnwell and White, Clerk	To form Communication and IT Working Party	