

## Mawsley Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017

**Present:** Cllr R Barnwell (Vice Chair), Cllr K White, Cllr T Sanders

**Also present:** Borough Cllr J Hakewill; Juliet Lewis (Clerk), Simon Wisdom (TCAM).

**Public present:** Joanne Pattison, Jackie Wilson, James Ramsey, Meg McMullen, Garth McMullen, Vanessa Ramsey, Brian Sutcliffe, Brenda Sutcliffe, Judy Baker, Reg Baker, Trish Cottinham, Hayley Eslet, Gerrard McCauley, Maggie Denham, Peter Krempels.

- 17.07.01** To receive **Apologies of Absence:** Cllrs B Littler and P Richards had sent apologies ahead of the meeting.
- 17.07.02** To receive **Members' Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:** None.
- 17.07.03** To receive **Members' requests for Dispensations:** None
- 17.07.04** **To approve Minutes of the Meetings 19<sup>th</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017.** It was resolved to accept the minutes of Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017 as a true and accurate record. All agreed.
- 17.07.05** **To discuss Matters arising from these minutes only:** All actions were complete prior to the meeting, details covered in the agenda items below.
- 17.07.06** **Police / Neighbourhood warden update:** Not present. Crime statistics for May are as follows:
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| <b>Crime on or near Roman Settle</b>  |   |
| Other theft                           | 1 |
| Violence and sexual offences          | 1 |
| <b>Crime on or near Orton Close</b>   |   |
| Criminal damage and arson             | 1 |
| Violence and sexual offences          | 3 |
| <b>Crime on or near The Green</b>     |   |
| Anti-social behaviour                 | 1 |
| Shoplifting                           | 1 |
| <b>Crime on or near Stoney Fields</b> |   |
| Burglary                              | 1 |
| <b>Crime on or near Birch Spinney</b> |   |
| Anti-social behaviour                 | 1 |
- 17.07.07** **Public Time (15 min):** Peter Krempels outlined the planning proposals for the old piggery, making the following points:
- Piggery is now used as a store / workshop
  - Building is now dilapidated
  - Considered the need for residential
  - Looked into live / work units, this is currently being discussed with KBC
  - Unlikely to be 'virgin buyers' but more likely small business owners
  - Live and work in the same house, becoming more popular
  - Access to the site is already in place
  - Removal of an eyesore
  - Footpath to Mawsley already in place
- Mr Krempels then handed out some leaflets and stated that the public and / or Parish Councillors can contact him with any queries / comments. The Parish Council confirmed that they would not make comment or consider the proposal until a planning application had been received.

Gerrard McCauley stated concern regarding the increasing amount of parking on green spaces especially near the commercial units. This will cause damage in the winter months is there anything that can be done about it? Cllr Barnwell stated that it will be down to the county council to deal with. However he accepts that it is complex at the moment but we are trying to confirm who is responsible for what complete with contacts. Cllr Sanders commented that we have taken issues up with the individual developers in the past, for example the fence at the pond which prevents parking there but not much can be done legally speaking.

James Ramsden requested to speak on behalf of the allotment holders. Since the last Parish Council meeting, the association has considered various items which we would like to bring to your attention for your valued consideration:

- As was stated at the last Parish Council meeting the site being investigated by Councillor Barnwell opposite The Willows is not acceptable. It is not accessible to members who do not have transport and again is not within the Village.
- But rumours are rife in the village that Councillor Barnwell's suggested site opposite the Willows has been accepted. Perhaps just a simple misunderstanding of the facts by the Noah group or more scandalous behaviour by their members.
- The Noah Group have a list of countless conditions that they seem to think they have the right to impose on any future allotments. i.e. Bonfires, use of manure, distances from houses, not forgetting of course no allotments within the Village. The list goes on and on.
- So far it would appear that all Noah's conditions are being catered for and we are left still waiting for allotments.
- We have only one condition and that is an allotment in the village which we understand is our legal right
- To have an allotment within the village opens up many possibilities for involving other areas of our community, for example youth groups, the school, nursery, both for enlightenment and education on where our food comes from besides Tesco's and Morrison's.

Cllr Barnwell requested that agenda item 12 be brought forward at this point. See 17.07.12 for response.

#### **17.07.08**

**Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr Hakewill gave the following update:

**Public meeting with Colin Clayson:** The meeting has taken place and was very successful. Mr Clayson confirmed that the building is unlikely to be a community asset but that he may be inclined to assist in the expansion of the TCAM building. The public that attended the meeting were very pragmatic. A lot still favoured the idea of a pub but this is not feasible. If residential is to be built there was a clear preference for over 55's accommodation which is lacking in the village. It was made clear at the meeting that no comment was made on behalf of the Parish Council regarding support or objection to any possible future planning application.

**Parking on open spaces:** Cllr Hakewill promised to investigate the options as bollards had been used in the past to prevent vehicles parking on green spaces. He stated that it can be effective to just put a note on a windscreen. Cllr Barnwell commented that unfortunately it is sometimes necessary as new developments are often built will narrow roads.

**Adoption:** In modern planning applications there is a clause for the first 10 years to maintain open spaces but this does not appear to be the case in Mawsley. TW have put up money but KBC can't agree. Stalemate. Cllr Sanders commented that we have to accept that there is no formal process in place but the residents were not aware when they purchased their properties. Cllr Barnwell commented that they take no notice of us as the Parish Council but we need County Council support.

**17.07.09 Planning: (a) To discuss the following planning applications:**

**KET/2017/0468: 21-22 Barnwell Court, Mawsley Local Centre, Mawsley:** Object, loss of amenities. Also note concern about the lack of outdoor space and no bin storage.

**KET/2017/0458: 5 Main Street, Mawsley:** No objection.

**17.07.10 Finance: (a) To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:** The following payments were presented and approved for payment:

Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Budget Heading	££
477	J Lewis	Salary & Travel	Clerk Salary	£487.48
478	TCAM	INV 2486	Room Hire	£34.00
479	ADT	35504696-41	TCAM Maintenance	£315.76
479	ADT	35040620-41	TCAM CAPEX	£954.18
480	Doorway Services	INV 1434	TCAM Maintenance	£114.00
				£1,905.42

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

Cllr Sanders questioned if the public were aware of the amount of money that is given to TCAM. The Clerk confirmed that it is detailed in the budget document and confirmed in the minutes of the meeting at which the budget is discussed.

**17.07.11 Bus Shelter Project:** Cllr Sanders stated that, following on the rejection of 3 shelters, we have redirected our efforts to getting quotes for one. 3 quotes will be provided for the next meeting.

Cllr Sanders commented that he still feels that the Parish Council were influenced by Facebook and that there was a reluctance to seek alternative funding. Cllr Barnwell confirmed this is not the case.

Cllr Sanders stated that there is a need for Bus Shelters and he is still not happy with the last minute U turn, he also requested that the bus shelter report is added to the website.

**17.07.12 Allotments – progress update:** Following on from Mr Ramsdens comments in public time Cllr Barnwell gave the following update: One of Cllr Barnwell's tenants has indicated that they may be prepared to give up her land for the purpose of allotments however nothing has been confirmed and he is not actively being pursued. He is in communication with the local land owners and will do all he can.

Maggie Denham commented that the effort that Cllr Barnwell is going to is really appreciated.

Garth McMullen stated that rumours are being put around that land has been offered to the allotment holders and that they had turned it down and he would like it minuted that this is not the case. Cllr Barnwell confirmed that this is not the case no land has been identified or offered to the allotment holders.

Cllr White commented that perhaps we can extend the village boundary if allotments need to be inside the boundary, there is very little possibility within the current boundary. The Clerk confirmed that the site does not necessarily have to be within the parish boundary but just needs to be a 'suitable site'.

- 17.07.13 Mybus summer excursion update:** Summer day trips have been advertised. If youths don't use it they will lose it! Further advertising is planned for the fun day.
- 17.07.14 Collision 6<sup>th</sup> July:** Cllr Sanders stated that he felt the cause of the accident that took place on Main Street was due to overgrown hedgerow. A member of the public confirmed that the driver of one of the vehicles had taken full responsibility. Cllr Barnwell confirmed it was not a matter for the Parish Council.
- 17.07.15 Councillor vacancy:** Closing date was changed at the last meeting to ensure all candidates had the opportunity to apply. Interview dates to be confirmed at the next meeting.
- 17.07.16 Older Youth – Meeting point / Teen shelter:** No update.
- 17.07.17 Maintenance issues at David Wilson Homes:** See 17.07.08.
- 17.07.18 Feedback from Colin Clayson meeting:** See 17.07.08.
- 17.07.19 Update on any progress with TW and adjoining land owner regarding road adoption:** See 17.07.08. Cllr White confirmed that they are also awaiting the paperwork from the landowner before they can further the adoption process. Cllr Barnwell confirmed that he is waiting for the paperwork in order to sign it however there is still the outstanding issue of ownership of the boundary fence. There is usually a gap of about 18 months from agreement to formal adoption.
- 17.07.20 Update required on footpath continuation at head of Birch Spinney:** Cllr Hakewill to provide a further update at the next meeting.
- 17.07.21 Parking on Open Spaces:** See 17.07.08.
- 17.07.22 Village maintenance group:** Cllr Richards to update at the next meeting.
- 17.07.23 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** The Clerk was made aware of a letter that had been passed to TCAM and one of the Parish Councillor by ex-councillor Vic Cope raising concerns about Health & Safety issues within TCAM. Simon Wisdom attended the meeting on behalf of TCAM to input on this matter.

Cllr Barnwell stated that, as a Landlord, Mawsley Parish Council is in a position of governance but TCAM as the tenant also need to take responsibility.

Simon stated that all issues raised in the letter have been dealt with and he is more than prepared to respond directly to Mr Cope. The letter will be discussed in the next TCAM

meeting and a response agreed. He stated that both he and Cllr Littler responded when the issues were initially raised and that any resulting action have been followed through.

ISE fire have completed a risk assessment and concluded that the fire coverage is suitable. There are fire exits in every room and a sufficient number of fire detection devices. No increase in prevention would impact the prevention of injury or loss of life.

Cllr Barnwell will respond to the letter on behalf of the Parish Council and has requested that a copy of the relevant document be forwarded to the Clerk by TCAM. Simon agreed that necessary documents will be scanned and emailed.

Finally, Simon commented that assessment should take place when reasonably practical. ISE fire suggested that every 3 years is sufficient in a building which will not change significantly.

Cllr Sanders stated that Mr Cope was quite distressed this situation which he considers has been going on since 2008. He would like to make it clear that he has the best intention. Cllr Sanders asked why we can't have an independent report.

Simon Wisdom confirmed that an independent report has already been done. He stated that although he would respond to Mr Cope he would respond only on a factual basis and not become involved in some of the personal / emotional aspects of the letter.

Simon confirmed he will contact doorway services regarding the annual service and that the boiler replacement request will be submitted as a grant request for fund to come from the Capex budget. The Parish Council will discuss and vote on the approval of the application at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 20:45

Next meeting: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017 7pm.