

Mawsley Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 March 2012

Present: Cllr Thomas; Cllr Holland; Cllr. Cope; Cllr McDonald; Cllr Farthing; Cllr Littler; Cllr Barnwell; Diana MacCarthy

Members of the public present: Christine McIvor, David Lewis (Commercial Estates Group); Simon Wisdom TCAM; Graham Leah TCAM

12.3.1 Apologies for Absence: None received

12.3.2 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. Cllrs Cope and Holland declared their interest in Mawsley Amateur Dramatics. Cllr Farthing declared her interest in The Centre at Mawsley.

Cllr Barnwell declared an interest in Commercial Estates Group planning proposal.

12.3.3 Allotted time for members of the public

C McIvor spoke about the litter between the two entrances of the village. One side of the C31 is Kettering Borough Council and the other side is Daventry Council. Further raised an issue with the dog bins and how frequently they are being emptied. Cllr Thomas explained how the bins had been donated but they should still be emptied. Cllr Littler had stated that if not emptied it is a Borough Council issue ACTION 12.3.3.1 Clerk to contact Chris Stopford regarding this. Cllr Barnwell referred to the fact that there are also Borough Councillors (2 of whom represent Mawsley) and these should also be contacted. ACTION Clerk 12.3.3.2 contact Daventry Council regarding the litter (copy in Borough Councillors)

12.3.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr. Thomas proposed the minutes of the meeting held 6 February 2012 and Cllr. Cope seconded these.

12.3.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

11.10.5.1	Clerk	Letter to KBC re adoption of open space and pond	To clarify with Peter Chaplin that MPC not dealing with Eco meadow. Further where is the plan showing strategic open space that we completed and handed to Peter Chaplin two years ago.
5.11.9.2	PT	To chase KBC re response to our letter regarding issues at the centre.	TB to chase Julia Beckett and update
12.10.5.1	RB	To investigate wording for declaration on walk way	Statutory Declaration needs to be sworn to say that whilst giving access we are protecting our rights of way.
6.11.13.1	BH	To review other account options	Ongoing – BH to enquire whether a

		(Cambridge BS)	minimum sum needs to be left in an account to keep the Natwest account open.
9.11.3.1	PT	To contact Peter Chaplin re transfer of land for bus stop	Clerk to assist in Mike Avery response.
9.11.6.1	PT	To speak to Taylor Wimpey regarding the Eco Meadow	Confirmed it will become a flower meadow and will then be adopted.
10.11.16.1	VC	To pursue possibility of relocating bike racks	Alternatives and costings to be prepared.
11.12.3.3	Clerk	To chase plan from Chris Bond showing proposed road marking	Ongoing

Cllr Barnwell said that all parishes are to be consulted on public open space tomorrow.

Cllr Littler confirmed Proceeds of Crime fund not relevant as MPC not a voluntary organisation.

12.3.6 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

Nothing to update

12.3.7 Taylor Wimpey

Nothing to report.

12.3.8 Mawsley Community Fund

Cllr Holland confirmed that there is no issue regarding VAT avoidance if the items are purchased with Parish Council funding. .

Older children's play area – Cllr Littler confirmed he had spoken with year 5 & 6 at Mawsley Primary School, Scouts, Guides and the youth club for guidance. Funding is available from various sources and a shortfall of £6,750.00 is required from the Community Fund. Confirmation of funding and insurance has been given by Kettering Borough Council. All in favour in funding – unanimous. ACTION 12.3.8.1 write to TCAM to confirm funding subject to confirmation of additional funds

Coffee machine – Cllr Littler confirmed that the one that had been given free of charge had broken and a new replacement was required. Cllr Holland felt that it was expensive and whether the MVA could contribute further. Cllr Barnwell asked for a current balance on the community fund – circa £23000. Proposal of funding to sum of £2394.00 proposed by RB seconded CF. Cllr Cope and Cllr Holland voted against. Cllr Cope stated his reason as wanting more time to concentrate on future funding before spending more money on the Centre.

12.3.9 The Centre at Mawsley

Simon Wisdom and Graham Leah gave an overview of TCAM finance and funding. Year end accounts will be ready soon. Graham Leah said the December figures were good, but January hit the Centre hard. It is felt this will happen year on year. Cllr Farthing suggested more planning ahead to fill the venue in these hard months. Cllr Littler said that discounted bookings had been offered as well to bring up trade. Cllr Barnwell felt we should have realised this would happen and taken it in to account when the funding was offered. Simon Wisdom said the main issue is now was capital expenditure. Graham Leah summed up that day to day running is going well but going forward any major items will require further contributions from the Parish Council. Cllr Littler identified items like fridges and coolers that will need replacing shortly. Cllr Holland said that the whole village should be involved in terms of future funding, and consultation needs to take place. Cllr Barnwell summed up by saying that he is happy to continue with the funding. Cllr Cope referred to a five year plan, and dividing the £24,000 in to two payments which will come from precept monies. Simon Wisdom clarified that it does not include capital expenditure. Cllr Farthing felt that villagers were not aware of the running costs of the Centre and that there needs to be more communication. Cllr Littler said this was to be covered in the next newsletter. Cllr Littler said we need to be clear as to the objectives of a village meeting, is it should we fund the Centre or by how much. Cllr Barnwell said the meeting should be to gauge feeling and not to just act on the response.

- 12.3.10 Police Matters
Police were not in attendance today.
- 12.3.11 Villager issues
Issues as regards dog mess and litter were raised during the public session. Please see above.
Tree planting request from Tom Sanders – Tim Bellamy said that as land is not in Council ownership the planting of trees on the land cannot be discussed/actioned at present. ACTION Clerk to speak to TS and confirm we cannot do anything until land ownership is resolved, and they should speak to Kettering Borough Council
Mawsley Scouts Community Work Project was then discussed. It has been suggested that the Scouts could do some maintenance work to the boundaries of the Village. Cllr Barnwell confirmed the boundaries in question do not belong to him. Further the issue of insurance and liability was discussed and would need to be resolved prior to any work being undertaken.
Cllr Cope confirmed that a dog warden had been out and cleared a lot of mess off the playing field and around the village. Cllr Barnwell felt it was important to let people know why it is so dangerous to leave dog mess. ACTION 12.3.11.1 CLERK– ask medical centre to put notice in newsletter regarding how dangerous it is.
Letter from Mawsley Taverns regarding future use of land discussed. It was decided that we would wait until they had auctioned the land through Christies. Cllr Barnwell suggested that the district valuer put a price on the land.
- 12.3.12 Accounts and Budgets
All payments as per Agenda approved for payment
- 12..13 Correspondence and Clerks update
General correspondence discussed.
- 12.3.14 Planning
David Lewis (Commercial Estates Group) gave a very brief view of his interest, with view to giving a presentation at the next meeting.
Site specific proposals local development document was discussed. It was agreed hard copy of document to be kept at the Centre. Information is to be put in to a leaflet and delivered with view to obtaining public opinion.
- 12.3.15 Items for newsletter.
Article on impact of dog mess and possible future planning.
- 12.3.16 Any Other Business
Painting of Centre to commence this week.

ACTION POINTS

12.3.3.1	Clerk	Contact Chris Stopford re bins	
12.3.3.2	Clerk	Contact Daventry BC regarding litter on C31	
12.3.8.1	Clerk	Letter to Bob L re money to older play area.	

12.3.11.1	Clerk	Confirm tree planting can not go ahead whilst we do not own the land	
12.3.11.2	Clerk	Speak to medical centre regarding note in newsletter	

The meeting ended at 22:28

Signed:

Date: