

Mawsley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd February January 2009

Present: Cllr. Littler; Cllr. Holland; Cllr. King; Cllr. Cope; Cllr. Hazell; Cllr. Moreton

Members of the public present: Brenda Quinn; Denise Mugglestone; Martin Bentley; Steve Draycott

02.09.1 Apologies for Absence Cllr. Barnwell; Julia Beckett; Tim Bellamy; PCSO Hopkins

02.09.2 Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Littler declared his position as Director of Mawsley Villagers Association Ltd. (MVA) and a director of The Centre at Mawsley CIC.

02.09.3 Allotted time for members of the public

Cllr. Littler reported that Victoria Perry had said that the bus route was due to be extended. There were two issues; a bus shelter and hard standing for the bus stop. Brenda Quinn said that the bus stop should be moved as the bus stop was in a boggy area; someone was sure to fall over soon. Mrs Quinn asked if it was possible for it to be paved? The Clerk reported that highways mentioned that they would look into paving the area. Clerk to chase and ask them to pave as a lady fell there last week. Frank Quinn had offered to do some work on the area free of charge. Clerk also to ask Highways if that is a good place for the bus stop as it is not near a lay by. The clerk should ask if a solution would be to put a temporary bus stop by the paved area until the area can be paved as it is dangerous now – surely this is a health and safety issue? ACTION 02.09.3. Clerk also to talk to Tim Bellamy to ask if there is anything that that KBC can do? ACTION 02.09.3.1

Steve Draycott and Martin Bentley were at the meeting to discuss plans for the remembrance garden. They suggested that the gardening and wildlife club would be interested in designing and maintaining a plot of 30x90feet. This was thought to be a manageable plot size. They suggested a south west facing area in the centre of the area as the area towards the edge of the land sloped away quite steeply. They also thought that area was suitable as it would be fairly accessible from the path.

Cllr. Littler thanked Steve Draycott for his input. It was useful for the parish council to see his suggestion. Cllr. Littler said that it may be an idea for the Parish Council to discuss the whole area at the next meeting. Steve Draycott said that the Gardening and Wildlife Club were going to write some letters asking for funding. They have approached The Nationwide and Cllr. Victoria Perry. The club were also writing to Moulton College who may be able to assist. Cllr. Littler said that Spalding had obtained funding for a sensory garden as it had been designed with visually impaired people in mind. Steve Draycott suggested that they have a consultation on site for the village to give ideas as to how the garden should be set out.

Cllr. Littler asked if the councillors were in favour of the gardening and wildlife club's ideas? They were.

02.09.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held January 5th 2009 were proposed by Cllr. Holland and seconded by Cllr. Moreton.

02.09.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

12.06.15	Clerk	Write to developers about broken street lights.	All councillors to have list of faulty street lights in their sector for February meeting. Clerk to write to developers
8.07.13.1	Clerk	Benches	Clerk to ask Ian Yates to quote for fitting that. Carry forward
06.08.19	Clerk	Write to Jim Harker about Old Poor's Gorse Badger fence	Clerk spoken to highways, work to be done by Christmas or very soon after. Clerk to chase again
08.08.15.2	Cllr. Littler	Remind TCAM about fencing around containers	Cllr. Littler reported that some screening was being erected around the containers. Matter closed.
09.08.14.1	Clerk	Write to TCAM about doors at TCAM	Clerk to chase, TCAM to get a quote for a new door. It was decided that the Parish Council should establish whether the doors were fit for purpose. This action point changed to Cllr. Holland/Cllr. Cope to establish this before talking to Wimpey again.
09.08.14.2	Clerk	Write to Diamond estates about badger fencing and kerbstones	Diamond estates have been chased several times on this. Chase again and carry forward.
01.09.08	Clerk	Check if dog bin has been fitted and contact Tim Bellamy	It has not been fitted, clerk to chase again
01.09.09	Clerk	Write article for the newsletter re pedlars	Carry forward

01.09.12.1	Clerk	Reply to letter from scouts	Matter closed
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02.09.6 Dr. Oliver

The Clerk read out a report from the surgery about the recent patient survey and asked for comments from the councillors. The councillors agreed that the surgery provides an excellent service for the village.

02.09.7 Wind farm

Cllr. Littler reported the wind farm group has been in discussion with Broughton Parish Council. Broughton Parish Council seems to not want to have a view as they feel that it might influence them at the time of the planning application. They did hold an open meeting in Broughton with mainly pro wind farm speakers. The wind farm action group will continue to leaflet Broughton as the group represents many villages and is independent of any Parish Councils.

The latest flyer produced by the action group will be distributed soon. It will concentrate on the viability (or lack of) of wind farms.

02.09.8 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

Cllr. Littler reported that Bedford Pilgrims have kindly offered some money towards the play area. Potentially they will donate up to £2,500. This would reduce the amount that the MVA needs from the Community Fund.

02.09.9 Police Matters (brought forward by agreement)

Nothing to report

02.09.10 Taylor-Wimpey

Nothing to report.

02.09.15 TCAM (brought forward by agreement)

The council resolved that the discussion about TCAM funding should be confidential and closed to the public.

02.09.11. Accounts and Budgets

Councillor Littler rejoined the meeting.

1. The following payments are to made this month:-

Mrs E Cawthorne (Jan salary & exp) Chq 156	£326
TCAM boiler repairs Chq 157	£1028.12

Proposed Cllr. King seconded Cllr. Moreton

2. Precept. Cllr. King asked if the precept needed to increase? Cllr. Moreton said that if the precept only followed inflation then there would be a big jump if something suddenly needed. Cllr. Littler said that it had reduced down last year as the same amount was asked for and the

number of houses had increased. Cllr. Hazell said the precept should go up 4% per house in line with inflation.

Cllr. King could not support an increase and wanted to abstain from this vote. Cllr. Hazell voted a precept of £18,000. This was seconded by Cllr. Cope.

02.09.12. Correspondence and Clerks Update

1. A Pandemic Flu workshop was being held by Northamptonshire County Council.
2. CPRE outlook magazine had been received. Clerk to circulate.
3. Cllr. Cope said that it was worth discussing having a village emergency contact list. This would be discussed on a month with a lighter agenda.

02.09.13. Planning matters

None received.

02.09.14 Mawsley Community Fund

No applications were received this month

02.09.16 Items for inclusion in the newsletter

Clerk to write about pedlars.

02.09.17 Any other business

Cllr. Moreton asked if there were any grants available from KBC to assist with the running of TCAM? Cllr. Holland to talk to KBC. ACTION 02.09.17.

Cllr. Littler reported that Richard Hoy had received a letter from NCC confirming their offer of nine trees for the village.

Meeting closed at 10.10.

Cllr. Littler asked the Clerk to give TCAM copy of building insurance schedule as they thought that they may be able to get a better deal on insurance. ACTION 02.09.17.1.

02.09.18 Date of next meeting

Next PC meeting Monday March 2nd 2008

Signed:

Date:

ACTION POINTS

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02.09.3.1	Clerk	Contact Tim Bellamy to ask about hardcore for bus stop as temporary measure	
02.09.17	Cllr. Holland	Talk to KBC about possible grants to run TCAM	
02.09.17.1	Clerk	Give TCAM copy of the insurance schedule	