

Mawsley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4 October 2010

Present: Cllr Littler (Chair); Cllr Holland; Cllr. Cope; Cllr Thomas; Cllr Barnwell; Cllr Redman; Cllr Moreton; Diana MacCarthy (clerk);

Members of the public present: PCSO Sam Chambers; Tom Sanders; Tim Bellamy

10.10.1 Apologies for Absence:

10.10.2 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 as a member of the Allotment Association.

10.10.3 Allotted time for members of the public

No time required

10.10.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr. Cope proposed the minutes of the meeting held 6 September 2010 and Cllr. Thomas seconded these.

10.10.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

03.09.07.1	BL	Determine costs of path to play area	On hold due to possible new houses
04.09.15	Cllr. Cope	Emergency planning	Ongoing
12.09.6.1	VC	To prepare list of properties which may have encroached on land outside their boundary	Ongoing
03.10.5	Councillors	Prepare letter for Trish Dewar re grant requirements	Ongoing
6.10.3.1	BL	Chase TB re consultation letter for bus stops/shelters	TB confirmed planners happy with the wording
6.10.12.1	BH & BL	Chase response re our proposal for open space	Response/update awaited

7.10.3.2	BL	Speak to KBC re enforcement notice relating to pond fill	TB to ascertain whether pond is in Article 4 area
7.10.3.3	Clerk & VC	To investigate speed laws	Clerk to write to Jim Harker as to whether 20mph can be put in place
9.10.9.1	PT	Carry out risk assessment of storage area	Ongoing
9.10.17.3	BH	Instruct assessor for TCAM	Final stages

3.9.7.1 – BL said that the MVA had agreed to put a fence up and RB asked whether the Borough Council should resume ownership of the strip of land

ACTION Clerk to write to Jim Hakewill regarding the transfer back to MPC of the land 10.10.5.1

10.10.6 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

Eco-meadow:

TB said that he had been trying desperately to ensure the eco meadow issues were resolved. PT confirmed that the land cannot now be sprayed until next August.

CM asked whether the village could get compensation for the delay.

BL said no because the planning detail only states only that it is open space.

CM asked whether there was anything in writing to confirm that TW will do the work

TB said that it was only a request to which TW agreed

Playing fields:

RB asked whether there was any news on the land that was transferred at the centre

TB said there was nothing and would not be until the pub site was finalised.

BL said that the issue is that the sports clubs can't apply for grants, as they don't have security of tenure until there is a tenancy agreement or licence between the Borough Council and the village.

BL then asked TB to ask their legal department to sort out the basic principle of the transfer and not to delay it all based on a strip of land.

Working relationship with the Borough Council

TS said we need a liaison officer now that Phase 1 was almost complete.

TB said to use either himself or Julia Beckett now that she is back.

PT then asked if Tim could ask David at KBC to arrange collection of the rubbish from the litter pick

TB confirmed it would be dealt with asap.

10.10.7 Taylor Wimpey

VC said that Paul Lord has now left Mawsley and had gone to Silverstone but that his deputy would be here until June 2012 at which point the roads should be complete.

PT said he had heard rumours that TW had given up on the pub site

RB said that a further expansion of Mawsley had been mentioned at the Rural forum but that he had not heard about this previously.

TS then confirmed that the potholes had been filled in and that he would do a report on street lighting.

10.10.8 Mawsley Community Fund

No applications

10.10.9 The Centre at Mawsley

CCTV – BL suggested that security might need to be improved and said that a self-contained system would not be too expensive. He then asked the councillors what their thoughts were. He said that a 4 camera system with back up recording was estimated at £330.

CM asked whether it really worked. He said it was a good deterrent but may not actually be successful.

BL said that there was an incident at the Centre, which the police said, could have been easily resolved had we had cameras.

RB said that it was rare that a cheap system would lead to a conviction as people wear hoods etc and also that people will just move to a different area away from the cameras. He suggested a chip device that doesn't need any link to power. ACTION RB to research security
10.10.9.1

CM asked for clarification as to what the main purpose of the cameras would be?

BL said anti-social behaviour

Mood lighting

VC said he would arrange a preview for one evening

Assessment

BH said he was now down to two companies in respect of carrying out the assessment.

RB said it was important that we have a timescale, as he was worried that it was going on too long. If one company looked suitable he thought we should just go with them.

BH said it should be sorted out before the end of October, and that he would call an emergency meeting if required so as not to delay matters further.

CM asked if everyone was agreeable that the nominated company be able to look in to everything.

BL said on behalf of TCAM that they were fully supportive as long as they can see the terms of reference.

Re short-term support BL suggested a letter updating TCAM would be beneficial. ACTION Clerk to write to TCAM confirming short-term support 10.10.8.1

VC then apologised for an error he had made at the tri-partite meeting regarding letters, which had been sent.

Kitchen

BL said that until such time as there was certainty regarding the future of TCAM, the kitchen would be put on hold.

Tribunal

BL said that the issue had been satisfactorily resolved regarding a previous member of staff at the Centre.

CM then asked TB if there were any grants available for TCAM.

TB said no, not to raise revenue.

10.10.10 Bus Route and Shelter

TS said that the extended bus route had been implemented on 20 September. He added that problems with car parking had caused obstruction at the Green, and that the Police and Stagecoach had been dealing.

RB asked whether there would be double yellow lines put down when the road is adopted.

TS said yes.

TS said that the bus shelter site on School Road was not agreed and the Borough Council would not revert to their original location. He said that it was not worth putting a shelter away from the surgery, as it would not be utilised. He had been enquiring about a GPS system to inform people at the surgery when the next bus would arrive. He asked what the councillors thought about a shelter on Loddington Way.

JR thought it was a good idea as the area was quite exposed.

The councillors then discussed briefly the long-term plan for bus stops and whether it should eventually run to the bottom of the village. They decided this would be discussed at a later date.

BL said we should see which stop is the busiest and then decide where the shelter should go.

CM said Loddington Way was the best location as it was both popular and open.

BL asked whether we should look at this as the most viable option. All councillors agreed save for RB who abstained.

10.10.11 Police Matters

SC reported the following offences;

1 x Criminal Damage

1 x Theft other (from a business)

1 x Sexual offence (which was a domestic)

2 x Theft handling

1 x Violence

TS raised the issue of graffiti on the cricket pavilion and asked whether it had been reported

BL said that there was an issue with under age drinkers outside the Centre and in the alley between the shops.

SC asked how old they were.

BL suggested she speak direct to the Centre Manager.

SC said that the police could go to drinking hot spots if they are informed.

VC said there was also an issue with fruit being stolen.

SC said they had dealt with similar drinking problems a few weeks ago, if they are not under age there is not much they can do unless it is an alcohol free zone.

CM said we need to ensure that it is actually alcohol and that they are not just socialising outside the Centre as there is no where else to go.

RB reported on the rural forum and was told we would not be getting a full crime review each month just basic data. He felt we should be informed as to whether it was a domestic or not as this would help to relay fears about safety.

The Clerk added that she had spoken to Jayne Breeze who had confirmed only a limited number of offences would be detailed the rest would just be basic data.

CM asked what was the point of the police attending the meetings of they cannot provide detail

VC thanked the police for their ongoing patrols.

SC asked whether a newsletter

BL said yes by the Mawsley Villager Association.

SC added that they add information via the forum.

BL said that the forum is only read by about 10% of the villagers whereas the newsletter is delivered to every household.

TS asked if we could suggest the cricket club remove the

BL said we could only say a member of the public suggested the removal.

ACTION 10.10.11.1 Clerk to speak to Cricket club

10.10.12 Villager issues

Dog fouling - a resident on Rosehill Way raised the issue. All developers save David Wilson had confirmed a dog warden could patrol their area.

TB agreed to speak to KBC regarding an extra bin at the bottom of the village.

RB suggested a sign warning of the health hazards from dog mess.

TB said he would also speak again to the dog warden to do more patrols and speak at the school.

Older children play area; BL said he was looking for grants and that as we were within a 10mile radius of the landfill in Rushton they may be eligible for landfill tax.

Car sales; VC raised the issue following a discussion with residents.

BL said he felt it was more a trading standards issue, and all councillors agreed it was outside the remit of the Parish Council.

10.10.13 Accounts and Budgets

Need to state amount Invoice for Top Notch – this was paid out of the £500 rolling budget for emergency works

RB asked whether we could write to KBC re the cost of the legal advice on the pub site and whether they would contribute.

ACTION 10.10.13.1 Clerk to write to KBC

10.10.14 Correspondence and Clerks update

General correspondence shown to Council

BL bought up the issue of anonymous emails, all councillors agreed a new procedure where emails to the clerk or Councillors need to show a full name and address before being actioned.

10.10.15 Planning matters

VC said that the whole pub site had reverted to agricultural site so we should try to purchase it at an agricultural price.

10.10.16 Items for newsletter

None raised.

10.10.17 Any Other Business

VC said that the maintenance of the outside of the Centre needs to be addressed. There is some paintwork that needs to be done urgently and that he had obtained an estimate for the whole works of £3000. All councillors agreed work needs to be carried out so VC said he would obtain a breakdown of the costs. ACTION VC provide breakdown of costs 10.10.17.1

TB gave his apologies for November's meeting but said that he would try and ask Julia to attend.

ACTION POINTS

10.10.5.1	Clerk	Write to Jim Hakewill regarding the transfer back to MPC of the land	
10.10.9.1	RB	Research security	
10.10.8.1	Clerk	Write to TCAM regarding short term support	
10.10.11.1	Clerk	Speak to cricket club regarding graffiti	
10.10.13.1	Clerk	Write to KBC regarding the contribution towards our advice costs relating to the pub site	
10.10.17.1	VC	Provide breakdown of maintenance costs	

The meeting ended at 10.00

Signed:

Date: