

Mawsley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7 February 2011

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

Members of the public present: Tom Sanders; PC Cotterill; PCSO Sam Gell; Nick Hughes (Sports Council)

2.11.1 Apologies for Absence: Tim Bellamy

2.11.2 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.

2.11.3 Allotted time for members of the public

Nick Hughes (NH) chairs the youth football and the sports council – this represents Mawsley & Loddington Cricket club (14 teams) Youth football (10 teams) and the rounders club.

The aim of the council is to expand the use of the sports field. There is poor drainage for the rest of the pitch and therefore it is getting churned up. Specialist remedial and ongoing maintenance was required. This is the main aim of the council, in co-ordination with TCAM.

BL added that to date TCAM has managed the field in terms of fixtures (due to use of changing rooms), but they do not really have the time which is why they are happy for the sports council to take over, but will keep input to ensure the facilities are available. Payments for pitch hire now go in a greater proportion to the Sports council and a smaller part to TCAM.

CM stated that Turf Tracks had undergone the initial maintenance; BL added that Turf Tracks had been approached in terms of repair but was told it is out of guarantee.

BH said that the playing field also has to be safeguarded for general public use.

NH said the booking system should assist in being able to see who is using it and when. They had been approached by Kettering Town (with the use of

the grounds man) and Leicester City, but that they wont allow it to be overrun.

BH said it would be useful if a member of MPC were also on the Sports Council.

CM said that we need to understand what use the pitch can take, but BL said this was one of the purposes of the sports council.

RB said that MPC should leave it to KBC to run especially if outside parties are going to be using it.

BL said that the Sports Council would generally only come to MPC for small amounts of money possibly in the future. KBC have agreed to mow the field but TCAM paid £500 approx towards the cost of repairing the pitch when it was moved. A key point is that normally if KBC run the pitches in Kettering they charge for hire and keep the money. At this moment the Sports Council is taking the money so KBC is not maintaining. The Sports Council is reviewing what is the best way forward.

RB explained the problems he was having at present talking with KBC in relation to boundaries etc.

2.11.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr. Thomas proposed the minutes of the meeting held 10 January 2011 and Cllr. Barnwell seconded these. Meeting of 14 Jan – Proposed by Cllr Barnwell and seconded by Cllr Thomas

2.11.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

03.09.07.1	BL	Determine costs of fence and path to play area	Path now progressing
04.09.15	Cllr. Cope	Emergency planning	Ongoing
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
10.10.5.1	BL	Transfer back to KBC of pub land	It is understood that if pub appeal is allowed TW will get the land but will hand it back to MPC under the S106, if the pub fails KBC will deal with Mawsley Taverns.
11.10.3.1	TS	Speak to WI re trees	106 trees expected in spring
11.10.5.1	Clerk	Letter to KBC re adoption of	Response awaited

		open space	
11.10.5.2	Clerk	Letter to Peter Chaplin re pond	Response awaited
12.10.5.1	RB	To investigate wording for signage	Statutory Declaration to be prepared
12.10.7.1	VC & BH	Obtaining quotes for drainage and resurfacing	Ongoing

2.11.6 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

Pub site – currently now reverted back to written representation stage. Next due date for submissions is 8 February. ACTION; Letter to Cath Bicknell – we have not been kept adequately informed of dates and procedures for the pub hearing cc Jim Hakewill

Container – two issues – one is placement of new container, second is temporary nature of current container - (see BL email attachment).

ACTION – Clerk to write to KBC Mark Coleman enclosing Bob L comments (supplementary information).

BL and PT to speak to TCAM re other container and new planning application.

Budget consultation meeting – RB attended meeting and was impressed with their figures and detail.

2.11.7 Taylor Wimpey

TS – adoption work not yet commenced. Subject of heavy construction vehicles using main roads, this issue is mainly with Park View development, this has gone to head office. ACTION clerk to write to TW asking for new dates for adoption work so we can inform local residents.

Emergency lighting – VC said Brian Tuite wanted copy of BRP electricals invoice ACTION BL to obtain copy.

General comments made within the report are the key points and of most significance. VC felt that if we have no joy with TW we may recourse with KBC as that is from whom we obtained the building.

ACTION: Letter to TW asking for reimbursement of costs referred to in report and our insurance being invalid (ex gratia payment). Make key issues; invalidation of insurance, councillor time etc. Send letter once Brian Tuite gives his approval and copy Cath Bicknell at KBC and Jim Hakewill (state building was handed to us by KBC in covering letter).

RB thought that a discussion had been undertaken with KBC when property was handed over. This may be where liability lies.

Brian Tuite did not charge for the report – do letter of thanks (VC has address). ACTION CLERK.

2.11.8 Mawsley Community Fund

No applications

2.11.9 The Centre at Mawsley

BL asked whether MPC had written to Horsons to accept the report. BH said he was waiting to hear whether any amendments were required. All councillors agreed no amendments required. ACTION BH to accept report with Horsons

BL then asked how report is to be presented to the village. He suggested we emphasize the positives of the centre – how it is run etc but state it is expensive. The deficit is to be made up by MPC in the short term. This is to be discussed at tri-partite meeting.

BL felt that transparency was the best way forward and all the information in the report should be available.

PT felt that it should be available if required, but that a précis should be available.

VC suggested stating that the Parish council is happy to assist in the funding of the community side of the business. CM said a link to the report would be best.

BH thought it would be a good idea to refer to the discount scheme that they hope will become available.

RB felt that a summary was best with an explanation of our precept. As elected persons we should not be required to publish every report we view.

ACTION PT to discuss content of notice in newsletter at tri-partite meeting and then send draft to Councillors.

Chair was handed over to BH

Funding at Centre

PT attended meeting with TCAM. TCAM want £10,000 up front then £2k per month, December to November (therefore Dec to Feb money plus Oct and November - £10,000.)

£4,000 will remain in the community fund. A discussion was then undertaken in relation to previous funding given to TCAM.

Proposed RB, Seconded PT – unanimous.

Request also made by TCAM for a standing order to be made for the direct payment.

Proposed PT seconded JR – unanimous - £2k standing order March to September on 1st of each month. ACTION Clerk

PT then said that TCAM had asked for suggestions as to the changes to children policy – PT asked that these ideas be emailed to him.

CM said his main issue was that discretion should be given to the manager at the time.

RB was concerned that Councillors are unfairly representing the whole of MPC over issues that the Council had not discussed. All agreed that any issues that arise that the Councillors representing MPC do not have full support of Council are to be referred to the next meeting.

2.11.10 Bus Route and Shelter

Bus route and Bus shelter – dedication of land from TW still awaited.

BL had email from Jim Harkers secretary – form to be completed – BL to send to Clerk ACTION

BL said he had received a request for a survey as to the extension of the bus route. It was felt that this should be considered once we know what the proposals are.

2.11.11 Police Matters

Crime figures; Jan – 2 x violence offences (Domestic) – lowest crime rate in the county at the moment.

BL said that a lot of the issues raised in the meeting with BPHA were lack of reporting to them of incidences. There was also a comment regarding those with criminal records living in particular areas of the village, however the police confirmed that there a various people with a variety of criminal records all over the village as there is everywhere.

New email address and phone number was given out

CM raised the www.police.net website- PC Cotterill stated that the figures may be inaccurate on this site.

TS raised a query regarding free CCTV camera's that were advertised in Wellingborough. PC Cotterill said that these are not available in Kettering under this scheme and when available will only be given to those at risk according to a fixed criteria.

2.11.12 Villager issues

None, save for those raised at start at meeting.

2.11.13 Accounts and Budgets

All agree renewal of allotments on same terms ACTION Clerk to prepare Leases

Bob to risk assess accounts ACTION BH

Action clerk to prepare draft budget for 2011/2012

2.11.14 Correspondence and Clerks update

BL handed over to BH for discussion on funding of TCAM

The proposals discussed at the extraordinary meeting of 14 January were again put forward and proposed by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr Barnwell.

ACTION – Clerk to prepare election article for newsletter

VC then added comments as to the running of the last meeting; he felt that it had not been fairly run.

RB asked that a discussion be had at the next meeting as to the spending of the precept

2.11.14 Planning matters

None received

2.11.16 Items for newsletter

Clerk to prepare article regarding the election.

2.11.17 Any Other Business

None

ACTION POINTS

2.11.5.1	Clerk	Clerk to ask KBC for copy of the original car park specification (2004/0921)	
2.11.5.2	VC	Speak to Phoenix to	

		state latent defects from their report	
2.11.5.3	TS	Speak to MGWSP regarding the filling of pot holes	
2.11.6.1	Clerk	To write to Cath Bicknell regarding the lack of information MPC has received in relation to the pub site planning appeal	
2.11.6.1	Clerk	Write to KBC (Mark Coleman) enclosing BL comments on container	
2.11.6.2	Clerk	Update villager on planning issues as explained by Cath Bicknell	
2.11.7.1	Clerk	Write to TW for new road adoption dates and information	
2.11.7.2	BL	Obtain a copy of the BRP electrical invoice	
2.11.7.2	Clerk	Write to TW regarding reimbursement of costs as referred to in our report	
2.11.7.3	Clerk	Write thank you note to Brian Tuite	
2.11.9.1	BH	Accept Horsons report	
2.11.9.2	PT	Discuss contents of notice in newsletter regarding the report and to prepare a draft for councillors	
2.11.9.3	Clerk	Set up standing order for TCAM	
2.11.10.1	BL	Send bus shelter funding form	
2.11.13.1	Clerk	Prepare lease for Allotments	
2.11.13.1	Clerk	Prepare draft budget	

2.11.13.1	BH	Risk assess accounts	
2.11.14.1	Clerk	Prepare election article for newsletter	

The meeting ended at 10.00

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