

HAVERSHAM cum LITTLE LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HAVERSHAM CUM LITTLE LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT HAVERSHAM SOCIAL CENTRE ON MONDAY 18th JULY 2016 at 7.40pm following the Community Meeting

PRESENT.

Cllrs Burgess (Chair), Furniss, Watson, Neal; Ward Councillor Andrew Geary and 9 members of the public.
Clerk J Vischer.

1. **APOLOGIES** None

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

Concern was raised about the high traffic speeds in both directions on Wolverton Road. It was agreed that the SID's bracket was not in the most effective position for monitoring speeds.
Complaint was lodged about the difficulty of crossing Wolverton Road safely at certain places due to overgrown shrubs. Also traffic calming 'is not right' some cars travel very slowly and some just fly over them.

Weeds on the bank over the pavement between the upper and lower villages – already in hand.

Reversing on to the main road from driveways in Wolverton Road is commonplace but dangerous – unfortunately entrances are narrow so it is almost unavoidable.

More blocked drains reported – 27-30 The Crescent

Clerk

3. **PRESENTATION** by DLP (Planning) Ltd regarding Linford Lakes by Mark Harris, Associate Planner.

Notes –

- 3.1. The developers are not the landowners.
- 3.2. There should be 30% affordable development
- 3.3. The Linear Park is designated to run through the area
- 3.4. Main access – Wolverton-Newport Road
- 3.5. Redway included
- 3.6. Car Park for lakes included
- 3.7. Full environmental impact study is being carried out – may be incomplete at time of Outline Planning Submission
- 3.8. Outline Planning Submission to be prepared within the next month
- 3.9. 15 hectares site for approx. 250 homes
- 3.10. Flood plain boundary to be defined- possible run-off holding areas to be built in.
- 3.11. Lakeside homes appear on the drawings as if they bordered the lakes but the property boundaries are notional at this stage.

Concern raised by member of the public – as a debenture holder (one of 750 fishermen who have bought a £3000 licence to access all lakes in perpetuity from the landowner) – he has not been consulted. He is not anti-development *per se* but will protect his right to lakeside access. Mr Harris promised to pass on the need for consultation with debenture holders.

4. **COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST** on any matters pertaining to this agenda – Cllrs Neal, Watson and Furniss declared an interest in item 6.5 as adjacent residents.

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5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary meetings held on 20th June 2016 were approved, subject to the altering of 'Mayor's Annual Civic' to 'St Mary's Church' under the last item of paragraph 11 'Councillors New Items'.

6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

6.1 Co-option of new councillors – another candidate had come forward. There were now 7 candidates. **Resolved** to hold an extra meeting/s in early September to interview candidates in 15-minute slots allowing each 2-5 minutes to say why they wish to become parish councillors. The aim being to have the three new candidates in place by the September meeting (19th).

6.2 Signage on recreation field – The signs had not been affixed to the fence yet but Cllr Furniss pointed out that dogs were allowed along the public footpath that crosses the field. Clerk to order illustrated plastic signs x3 and pass on to Chair for affixing. **Clerk/Chair**

6.3 Speed Indicator Device (SID) – Cllr Neal reported that the date and time 'stamp' were incorrect on the data recorder and so the data may be unreadable. It was agreed to look at the options for re-siting the device. **Cllr Neal/Chair**

6.4 Skate Park proposal – The Clerk reported that information had been received from Rampchids along with an invitation to visit the newly installed ramp at Bozeat. This was known to the local group of enthusiasts and approved of. The Chair and Cllr Watson took up the invitation. **Cllr Watson/Chair**
The clerk reported that he had filled in a Pre-application form for The Hockey Foundation which offered grant match-funding, and awaited their response. **Resolved:** To put up half of the potential funds (£7,500 +VAT) for the project.

6.5 Land Registry - Former Anglian Water land behind Brookfield Road – Corrections to the provided Summary of the Case had been written out by Cllr Furniss and submitted by the Clerk. Land Registry had acknowledged these and an additional paragraph added to the Summary. Cllr Furniss also reported that we are now awaiting notification from Land Registry about a possible Tribunal hearing. Cllr Furniss was formally thanked for all her time and effort on this task.

6.6 Land Registry rectification on BM 338140 (Rec. Field) – no update.

6.7 Any Other Matters –

6.7.1 The Chair's review of the *Risk Assessment Schedule* (Annual Meeting) still outstanding.

6.7.2 Beech Tree Close gardens - *water pipe to the allotments* - The Clerk has ascertained through interviews when hand-delivering letters that no water leaks had been noticed in the properties.

6.7.3 Proposed School expansion – Earlier on the same evening of the Parish Council meeting, a well attended Community Meeting instigated by Ward Councillor Andrew Geary, and chaired by PC Chair Ian Burgess had allowed the presentation of a broad cross section of views on the proposed school expansion. The meeting was not minuted, but indicatively it suggested that the majority of the community was in favour of the expansion on educational grounds, but there was significant concern over the planning process and the lack of consultation with the local community. This national government process required the proposition of school expansion to be adopted prior to any planning consideration or community discussion of the options. During this Parish Council meeting that followed Ward Councillor Geary declared that he would withdraw his Call-in Notice (a local government mechanism to challenge the planning decision), which would allow the planning process to proceed. However he declared that he would seek to secure MK Council resource that would allow MK Council's educational planners to develop a number of scenarios for the community to consider at the next, so-called 'pre-application' stage. Ward Cllr Geary was thanked for his intervention.

Action: to confirm that Cllr Geary has secured the resource.

7 **PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ENVIRONMENTAL ITEMS**

7.1 New entrance lane to Cosgrove Lodge Caravan Park - Ward Cllr A. Geary reported that there had been no formal developments.

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- 7.2 Drains - Ward Cllr Green had emailed an invitation to Rob Ward to organise a site meeting to investigate all the many drains in the parish that needed cleaning but no meeting had been arranged to date. The Clerk had re-reported all outstanding drain issues as none had been carried over to the new reporting system. Ward Cllr Geary recommended contacting cabinet member Martin Gowans and Highways leader Kim Hills to request a meeting. **Clerk**
- 7.2.1. Drain by planter and adjacent drain, Wolverton Rd. – reported 23rd April & 16th May - FS2704048 & FS3040422
- 7.2.2. Drains on the hill between the upper and lower villages – new ref FS4297097
- 7.2.3. Drain on Lt Linford Lane – new ref FS4300030
- 7.2.4. Several blocked drains in Wolverton Road (resident)
- 7.3 Brookfield Rd pavement re-surfacing – Cllrs Neal, Watson and Furniss agreed that the overall standard of workmanship was poor with several faults - such as gaps between shuttering and tarmac big enough for push-chair wheels to fall into – and that the time taken to complete, some 12 weeks, was extraordinarily long. The crew had been on site during that time and yet often apparently not doing anything. It was agreed that the Clerk compile a detailed list of faults and grievances to report to the Head of Highways. **Cllrs/Clerk**
- 7.4 Recycling lorries (using the village as a shortcut) – The Clerk had passed on the record of a registration number and frequency of passes to Head of Waste and Environment but with no response. **Clerk**
- 7.5 Verge by Little Linford Lane MK Council depot reported 23rd March given MKC Ref 890639 – The clerk had re-reported dumped concrete on June 23rd ref FS4283073. This had been subsequently logged as resolved 4 July. However the Chair insisted nothing had changed. **Clerk**
- 7.6 The pavement on the hill between the upper and lower villages – ref 737382. The Clerk had re-logged this under the new system – given ref FS4301554. However it had been marked as ‘closed’ with no explanation. The Clerk re-reported 13 July.
- 7.7 The landscaped bank above part of this pavement (7.6) – Not been done. The Clerk had contacted the Landscape Manager, Euan Darling, again but he was away. **Clerk**
- 7.8 Three grass footpaths (resident): nos.40 (overgrown), 42 & 43 (ploughed up)– new – The clerk had reported these to the Footpaths officer who had replied recently to say that the work should have been carried out by now. Cllr Furniss to verify. **Cllr Furniss**
- 7.9 Street gutter weeds in Brookfield Rd – new - ref FS4300224. Work not carried out yet.
- 7.10 Hall Farm – The Clerk reported that a full Tree Preservation Order had been served on all the trees on the site.

8 **ALLOTMENTS.**

Invitations had been circulated to allotment holders to participate in the proposed consultative group. Three positive replies had been received so far. It was clarified that representations would be made to the parish council on all relevant matters before implementation.

8 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning Applications

Previous -

16/01530/FUL 84 Wolverton Road Haversham, **Prior notification** for a proposed single storey rear extension measuring 6 metres from the rear wall of the existing dwelling with a maximum ridge height of 4 metres and maximum eaves height of 3 metres. *Awaiting decision.*

NEW – 16/01395/FUL 6 The Stables High Street. A new access point to be created at the front of the property for the purposes of a porous driveway suitable for one car and the kerb to be dropped. It was agreed to object on the same grounds as a very similar previous case where turning and out of the driveway was deemed dangerous.

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Other Planning related matters - 11/01193/FULEIS - A wind energy development comprising the erection of fifteen wind turbines, each with a maximum overall height of up to 120m together with access tracks and hard standing areas and a temporary site compound. - Stoke Lodge Farm Purse Lane Stoke Goldington Newport Pagnell MK16 8LW. *Pending*.

9. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr Furniss – the offer of a site visit to the Recycling referred to the old Materials Recycling Factory and so no councillors had taken up the invitation. Cllr Furniss offered to see if a visit to the new factory could be arranged.

Cllr Watson reported back from the HSCC committee meeting. The summer Fête arrangements and tonight's community meeting had dominated proceedings.

The Chair reported that no governors' meetings had been held since the last meeting.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

10.1. Accounts for Payment -

1569	Clerk's Salary - July	£313.73
1570	Admin	£59.63
1571	Buckingham & River Ouzel IDB rates	£4.75
1572	NBR Printing Ltd - 01019	£798.00
1573	Warners of Bedford - 10984	£171.36
1574	AH Contract Dog Bins - 8747	£30.00
1575	Plot repayment	£18.00
1576	Clerk's Salary - Aug	<u>£258.17</u>
	Total	£1,653.64

10.2. Financial Statement to 28th June 2016 –

Lloyds bank statement	<u>£9,306.32</u>
Presented cheques since last report	£452.74
Receipts since last report	£232.00
Net Position	<u>£9,085.58</u>
National Saving Account at 1 st January 2016	£10,378.62
Total of Lloyds and NSB Accounts	<u>£19,464.20</u>
Less Allocated reserves	£13,732.57
Less Outstanding Cheques	£2,057.90
Available funds at 28th June 2016	<u>£4,980.71</u>

Resolved: The above financial statement and payments were approved.

11. COUNCILLORS NEW ITEMS

Cllr Furniss suggested a review of the email process of communication, in anticipation of the co-option of new parish councillors, to ensure that when views had to be taken at short notice that the clerk could be certain that as many councillors as possible were involved.

Cllr Watson asked whether councillors felt that greater use could be made of the website.

12. PUBLIC FORUM

A member of the public congratulated councillors on 'two good meetings tonight'.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting: 19th September 2016 at Haversham Social & Community Centre at 7.30pm
Then 17th October 2016.

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The meeting closed at 9.35pm

Signed

date