

HAVERSHAM cum LITTLE LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HAVERSHAM CUM LITTLE LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT HAVERSHAM SOCIAL and COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 24TH APRIL 2017 at 7.30pm

PRESENT.

Cllrs I Burgess (Chair), P Furniss, P Williams, N Watson, B Clift and E Neal; Kieron Tanner (Skate Park group) + 1 resident
Clerk J Vischer.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Langham. These were accepted.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

The Skate Park item (8) was brought forward. Mr Tanner enquired after the progress of the grant application. This was unknown as a decision will be made in May by WREN. Mr Tanner agreed to contact both groundworks contractors with a view to asking about required lead times.

Traffic of lorries – Mr Burbridge enquired after news on the traffic of lorries through the village. The Chair said he was compiling a list of siting's before reporting. The resident added that he had seen Cranfield Freight Co. using the village as a cut-through as well as the recycling lorries.

3. COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST on any matters pertaining to this agenda – Cllrs Furniss, Neal and Watson declared a standing interest in item 13.1 as adjacent residents.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th March 2017 were approved. These had been circulated via email prior to the meeting.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1. Signage on recreation field footpath – The Clerk had contacted the footpaths officer MKC to request a finger-post at the far end of the footpath. The signage had been ordered. **Clerk**

5.2. Streetlight 16A gone out – reported 23/02/17 - FS13381292. To be checked. **Cllr Furniss**

5.3. Any Other Matters – None

6. PlanMK Working Group – Cllr Williams reported that a Draft Report for discussion would be available on 2nd May. It was planned to approve the Report at the next Parish Council meeting. Delegated powers to make any alterations after the meeting might be required. Cllr Williams to ascertain how the other two parish councils are managing approval. **Cllr Williams**

7. Allotments –

7.1. Cllr Watson reported that he had received nothing but positive comments from plot-holders regarding the renting of a block of under-used allotments for Branch-Out MK, a not-for-profit local social enterprise supporting vulnerable adults. A 5-year memorandum of understanding had been drafted with a £75 per year rental charge and agreement to allow a large shed and composting toilet to be installed. Participants would be expected to abide by the existing allotment rules. Councillors formally approved the renting of plots to Branch-Out MK. Proposed Cllr Watson, seconder Cllr Burgess: unanimous.

7.2. A very successful tidy-up had recently been held with almost all allotment holders present. All rubbish had been collected, sorted and piled up. Cllr Watson had obtained free delivery and pick-up of a 4.5cu.m. 'Hippo Bag' although this would not account for all of the debris. It was hoped to take advantage of the offer of a local farmer to remove the remainder.

7.3. Cllr Watson proposed investing in new locks and keys, at an estimated cost of £250, as not all old keys had been returned over many years. People other than ploholders seemed to be gaining

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access to the site. This was approved. Proposed Cllr Watson, seconder Cllr Furniss: 3 For, 3 Against, Chair's casting vote: For.

8. **Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr Williams reported that the consultant retained for the PlanMK report had been asked for a quotation to work on the specialist aspects of drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan as he was experienced in this work. She had been informed that the grant amount for had increased this year. **Cllr Williams**
9. **Skate Park** – *see above*: Open Forum
10. **Speed Indicator Device** – Cllrs Burgess and Neal reported that they had not heard from the person responsible at Castlethorpe Parish Council with reference to the data downloads. A new offer of training for SID's had been circulated via email by MKC, but these sessions do not include data handling. Cllrs Burgess and Neal to follow-up. **Cllrs Burgess/Neal**
11. **Magazine Costs Improvements** – Cllr Williams reported that the editor had been pleased with the new layout and reduction in numbers of pages (7) but how much this might alter overall publishing costs was not as yet known.

12. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

- 12.1. **Haversham Social and Community Centre** - Cllr Clift had reported that the Easter Bingo had been a great success. A meeting regarding the lease as a result of the school expansion was still awaited. The Scouts Mountaineering Group would not need the recreation field this year. A request was submitted to councillors to ask the grass-cutting contractor to cut the grass in good time for the Summer Fete on 8th July. This was agreed. As the Clerk had recently handed over liaison for the cutting of the allotments to the councillor responsible, Cllr Watson, at his request, he was now invited to take on this role for the Recreation Field and Crescent aspects of the contract, which he was happy to do. It was noted that the rolling of the cricket pitch was not part of the landscaping contract. **Cllr Watson**
- 12.2. **Save St. Peter's Group** (Stanton Low) – Nothing to report.
- 12.3. **MK Waste Recovery Park** – Nothing to report.
- 12.4. **Parishes Forum** – quarterly – Cllr Langham had sent round her report on the MKALC Conference devoted to Devolved Services, via email. A new, dedicated team at MKC would be publishing a fresh consultation document over the summer months based on the issues and concerns generated by the working groups at the Conference.
- 12.5. **Haversham School** – Cllr Burgess reported that the newly received budget from MKC was not as bad as feared. Planning permission for the new build had been given. During the construction works much of the grassed areas in the school grounds would be off-limits and so he passed on a request by the school to use the recreation field when appropriate. This was agreed. Building work was planned to start in the school summer holidays. Cllr Furniss pointed out that due to the confused and incorrect Land Registry documents (*see item 13.2 ongoing rectification of BM 338140*) it was worth pointing out to MKC that some of the new-build would in fact be being built on Parish Council land. It was agreed that Cllr Furniss raise the matter with MKC. **Cllr Furniss**

13. ONGOING ENVIRONMENTAL ITEMS

- 13.1. Litter behind the Recycling Centre – reported 23rd Jan. 2017. Ref FS12093609. No update.
- 13.2. Mill Road gate MK ref FS9120625 – unrepaired
- 13.3. Traffic light sequence exiting Old Wolverton FS9079105 – no change or update.
- 13.4. Footpaths 42 & 43 – still outstanding 18th Jan 2017. Still ploughed up.
- 13.5. Old 'Kill Your Speed' sign – re-reported 25th October FS9196085. Re-reported 23 Jan 2017 - New ref FS12115562. Not removed.

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- 13.6. Railway bridge/Old Wolverton roundabout – overgrowing shrubs reported 20 Sep: FS6850944. Cllr Clift reported that this had been cut back by a group of local concerned residents as MKC had still not undertaken the work throughout the winter pruning season.
- 13.7. Drains - a) Drains on the hill between the upper and lower villages – new ref FS4297097; b) Drain on Lt Linford Lane – new ref FS4300030; c) Several blocked drains in Wolverton Road (resident); d) Triangle Green culvert/drain blocked reported 20 Sep: ref FS6975137. Remaining drains un-cleared – no update forthcoming. The Clerk reported that he had submitted a Freedom of Information request to MKC to extract information from them about the drains clearing schedule on behalf of another rural Parish Council. The document received gave an exhaustive list of streets alphabetically - not by area - throughout Milton Keynes showing an almost 100% effective clearing and inspection rate throughout the year. The document was simply impossible to believe as many councilors and residents were aware of blocked and semi-blocked drains. Furthermore on close inspection several streets in rural areas were omitted from the 9-page document including in Haversham.
- 13.8. Recycling lorries (shortcut) – The Chair reported that he had compiled a list of 6 sightings, with number plates.
- 13.9. Verge by Little Linford Lane MK Council depot reported 23rd March. Re-reported dumped concrete June 23rd ref FS4283073. Reported resolved 4 July. Re-reported 4th October with photos - new ref: FS7897000. Re-reported 23 Jan 2017 new ref FS12193989. Reported cleared 31 Jan 2017. Cllr Williams reported that the rubbish had not been cleared.
- 13.10. The pavement on the hill between the upper and lower villages – new ref FS4301554. Marked as ‘closed’ with no explanation. Re-reported 13 July. Part done end September. Re-opened as FS 4553328 – Nov 7th: “does not require immediate remedial work”. Re-reported 22 Nov: ref FS9974748. The Chair reported that further cleaning/repair work had taken place but still uneven.
- 13.11. Street gutter weeds in Brookfield Rd – new ref FS4300224. No update. Cllr Furniss that the road had again been ineffectually swept – due to these weeds – but the weeds had still not been sprayed.
- 13.12. The Chair apologised for not having written a formal letter of complaint to Duncan Sharkey, Corporate Director of Place, MKC. Chair

14 PLANNING MATTERS

- 14.1. **Land Registry - Former Anglian Water land behind Brookfield Road** – Cllr Furniss reported that she had submitted the Parish Council’s response to the Statement of Case to the Case officer and had also confirmed that she was the primary point of contact for all correspondence with the Tribunal. The Chair moved a Vote of Thanks to Cllr Furniss for all the work done to date. This was agreed.
- 14.2. **Land Registry rectification** on BM 338140 (Rec. Field) – Cllr Furniss reported that she had received no further update from Property Services regarding formalisation. Ongoing. **Cllr Furniss**
- 14.3. **Planning Applications - Previous applications** – 16/02270/OUT Land At Linford Lakes, Outline planning application (all matters reserved except for access) for the residential development of land north of Wolverton Road (Linford Lakes) (up to 250 units), with access and provision for drainage, open space and amenity areas and the creation of an area for car parking (25 spaces) on land off Little Linford Lane for use in association with the use of land for an extension to the River Valley Park. *Refused.*
- 14.4. 16/02825/FUL 15 High Street Haversham Demolition of existing rear conservatory, attached store and front and rear outbuildings and the erection of a two storey rear extension to existing dwelling and proposed new dwelling to south of existing dwelling and hard-standing to the front. *Withdrawn.*

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- 14.5. 17/00246/MKCOD3 Haversham First School, Expansion of existing infants school to create a one-form entry primary school with associated external works including new car park and outdoor play areas. *Permitted*
- 14.6. 17/00296/FUL 26 The Crescent Haversham, Raised decking in the rear garden (retrospective). *Permitted.*
- 14.7. 17/00169/LBC Little Linford House Little Linford Lane, Listed building consent for replacement windows and doors to stone barn within the curtilage of listed building. *Consent given*
- 14.8. 17/00334/FUL 37 Brookfield Road Haversham, Single storey rear extension and enlargement of existing rear dormer. *Permitted.*
- 14.9. 17/00546/FUL Broadlands Lane To Church Off Little Linford Lane, Demolition of conservatory and proposed new single storey kitchen extension 17/00547/FUL Broadlands Lane To Church Off Little Linford Lane, Construction of a coach house. *Permitted*
- 14.10. 17/00331/FUL 28 Wolverton Road Haversham, Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing extension, and single storey front extension. *Permitted*
- 14.11. 17/00499/FUL 5 High Street Haversham, Erection of conservatory to the side of the property. *Permitted*
- 14.12. 17/00592/FUL Haversham Grange 30 High Street, Demolition of existing detached stone garage and erection of new detached oak framed garage. *Permitted*
- 14.13. **NEW applications** – 17/00641/FUL Drop kerb on a classified road to create a vehicle crossing outside of property and lay hard-standing for a driveway. 26 Wolverton Road Haversham. No objections.
- 14.14. 17/00705/FUL Single storey rear extension 1 Brookfield Road Haversham. *Permitted*
- 14.15. 17/00889/FUL Two storey side and single storey rear extension 54 Wolverton Road Haversham. No objections.
- 14.16. **Any Other Planning related matters** – Cllr Burgess had noted that Hill Farm House had changed a parcel of agricultural land into a garden without any apparent planning authority. This was of concern principally as he believed there was archaeological significance to the plot. Clerk to verify. **Clerk**
- 15. FINANCIAL MATTERS**
- 14.1 **Accounts for payment** – a) Clerk’s salary - £276.12; b) Admin expenditure - £54.48; c) Bin emptying (inv 9272) - £30.00; d) BALC (annual sub) - £140.10.
- 14.2 **Financial Statement**
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| Presented cheques since last report | £3,461.70 |
| Receipts since last report | £218.50 |
| Lloyds bank statement, 30 March 2017 | £8,113.77 |
| National Saving Account at 1 st January 2017 | £10,440.98 |
| Total of Lloyds and NSB Accounts | £18,554.75 |
| Less new and outstanding cheques | £727.70 |
| Available funds | £7,486.07 |
- Resolved:** The above financial statement and payments were approved.
- 15. COUNCILLORS NEW ITEMS**
- 15.1. **Cllr Clift** – Enquired after the proposed website training session. Dates still to be agreed. **Clerk**
- 15.2. **The Chair** – reminded councillors to report any street-name signs that need replacing following the recent email circular. **Cllrs**
- 15.3. **Cllr Furniss** asked if there was an established archive protocol for old documents. Clerk to research. **Clerk**
- 15.4. **Cllr Williams** complained of the number of dog-waste bags thrown into bushes. Clerk to enquire as to frequency of emptying of all three bins. Chair to add to his Magazine report. **Chair/Clerk**
- 16. PUBLIC FORUM** None
- 17. DATE OF NEXT & AGM** – **Monday 15th May 2017** at 7.30pm at Haversham Social and Community Centre. Signed date
- The meeting closed at 9.05pm**