

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HAVERSHAM CUM LITTLE LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
AT HAVERSHAM SOCIAL CENTRE ON MONDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2016 at 7.30pm.**

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**PRESENT.**

Cllrs Burgess(Chair), Gibbons, and Furniss; Ward Councillor Jeanette Green and 2 allotment holders.  
Clerk J Vischer.

1. **Apologies** Cllrs Neal, Watson. These were accepted.
2. **PUBLIC FORUM** The two allotment holders were present to oppose the proposed new £50 deposit for structures on the allotment site. They stated that this was a considerable amount of money for some and would put people off taking up a plot when it should be being encouraged. They also made the case for the exclusion of chicken-runs as these had been previously allowed free of any deposit, and in any event the 'run' itself could not be included in the nominal size of the 'structure' as this would be far too restrictive. They felt that site security was lax and properties with gardens backing on to the allotment site should be fenced off by the Parish Council. The Chair promised that their views would be considered in deciding about the proposed deposit.
3. **COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST** on any matters pertaining to this agenda – Cllr Furniss declared an interest in item5f as an adjacent resident.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were approved subject to one amendment to Item 9, Reports from Representatives, line 12, which should read – 'Cllr Furniss added that *it would be preferable if* the trees in the corner be left in situ.'

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- a. **Speed Indicator Device (SID)** – Cllr Gibbons reported that it was time to run another speed check and she would request the equipment from Castlethorpe if councillors agreed. A new set of brackets had been delivered. The Clerk reported that he had asked Adrian Carden at MKC to decipher or explain the anomalies of the previous dataset without any success. It was agreed to fetch the equipment and do another check but with our own data card and on a different mounting. **Cllr Gibbons**
- b. **Section 106 funds – church access; play equipment.** The Clerk reported that he had no replies from Jonathan Robinson regarding the balance of funds neither had he had any reply from Ward Councillor Geary. The Chair recalled how he had been instrumental in gaining these funds for the parish and if there had been some misunderstanding about the role of the Parish Council in disbursing the funds then communication from other stakeholders and/or MK Council itself would have been expected. Ward Cllr. Green offered to contact Jonathan Robinson the following day on the Parish Council's behalf.
- c. **School Expansion** – a formal email confirming the key position of Haversham Social and Community Centre in the plans had been received from Simon Simms, Sufficiency and Access, Milton Keynes Council. If the next stage of consultation was to go ahead the Parish Council could consult the wider community.
- d. **New Play Equipment** – the clerk had paid several visits to the site to liaise with the contractor and the foundations and some equipment was now installed. The rubber mulch would be the next stage, followed by the installing of the remainder of the equipment.
- e. **Skate Park proposal** – The clerk had established that the size of a moderate skate park was 25m x 10m which would fit in at a diagonal to the corner of the recreation ground, without disturbing the trees and picnic area. Although the Parish Council was not against the proposal the situation with the Section 106 funds was crucial to its funding. It was agreed to write to the speaker of the group who had made the original proposal indicating that although no decision had been reached it would be useful to know more details such as the preferred design, along with costings and possible providers. **Clerk**

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f. **Land Registry response - Former Anglian Water land behind Brookfield Road** – the uncertainty in the previous claim for presumed right of access had been acknowledged but this claim was predicated on a Statement of Truth signed by the previous owner declaring they had used the access at least once per year for many years so access was assumed. It was agreed to say ‘no’ to the option of ‘Negotiation’ at this time and to request further evidence of the basis of the new owner’s claim to access from Mr Spires.

Clerk/Cllr Furniss

#### 6. **PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ENVIRONMENTAL ITEMS**

- a. Two faulty streetlights by the entrance to Manor Drive on Wolverton Rd. - 14A and 16A. Reported on 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. Still not working.
- b. The pavement on the hill between the upper and lower villages – *ref 737382* Not done.
- c. Devil’s Dip – works and road closure. This had been completed.
- d. Parking over the kerb and in the garden at no 17 High St. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb - *ref 849127* Highways enforcement team are looking into it.
- e. Parking on the pavement in the lower village due to building works. No longer an issue.
- f. Greyhounds kept at No 15 the High St. No update from noise enforcement. The property has recently changed hands.
- g. Drains opposite Brian West’s – (Ward Cllr. Green) Ward Cllr Green apologised for not having followed this up yet.

Monitored items –

- h. Blue bulk bags outside of no. 6 Wolverton Rd – [Landscape dept passed on to Highways. *Re-reported ref 830691*] *With enforcement.* No update.
- i. Drain at the end of Brookfield Rd near the junction with Wolverton Rd – *reported 17 June: ‘identified as planned works’.* This appeared to have been done.
- j. Liquidambar tree – a request had been received from Jackie Brown to move the tree to more suitable soil as it was not flourishing here and offered to replace with a walnut tree. It was agreed that the tree would probably not survive moving. **Chair** to call Jackie Brown
- k. Pothole by bridge Little Linford Lane - reported 24 April *ref 575738.* Re-reported 19 May *ref 596100.* This had been done.

#### 7. **ALLOTMENTS.**

a. Renewal letters, including proposed revision of Regulations – *as above* (Open Forum) + it was agreed that no 29 Brookfield Rd needed a reminder letter about creating a fence between their garden and the allotment site.

Clerk

#### 8. **PLANNING MATTERS**

##### **Planning Applications**

##### **Previous -**

15/03167/FUL Days Inn M1 Motorway Service Area North And South Little Linford Lane, Single storey flat roof ground floor extension with glazing and doors leading to an external decking. *Permitted*

16/00248/FUL 26 The Crescent Haversham Prior notification for a proposed single storey rear extension measuring 5.5 metres from the rear wall of the original dwelling with a maximum ridge height of 3.9 metres and maximum eaves height of 2.65 metres. *Prior Approval Required and Refused.*

**NEW** – 16/00555/FUL 2 Brookfield Road Haversham Single storey rear extension, part two storey side extension and first floor extension, and loft conversion including a velux roof light in the front and rear elevation. It was agreed to comment to the effect that the materials must match existing and the velux roof window should not be allowed as it was intrusive for the houses across the road.

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16/00548/TPO Haversham First School Tree preservation order consent to lift by 2.5m and reshape by approximately 25% to 6 Lime Trees. No comments.

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 Gibbons** reported back from the Haversham Social and Community Centre meeting – the resignation of the previous secretary has taken effect. A new member joined the Committee. A Summer Fete will now be held providing the Parish Council allows use of the recreation field. Permission was now granted providing a copy of the public liability insurance cover was sent to the clerk. The new Fete will be more child-orientated and will take place in July in cooperation with the school.

**Cllr Furniss** had attended the Waste Recycling Liaison meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. Commissioning of the new plant is to start in April.

She had also attended the Save St Peter's Group meeting where it was announced that the Parks Trust would be taking over the whole site from the end of March. The Parks Trust officer had not informed the Parish Council of this. Clerk to enquire. There will be an Open Day on Good Friday.

**The Chair** reported that governors had met at the school for a training session regarding Ofsted's new assessment procedures. It was hoped to maintain the school's 'outstanding' status. The headteacher has added to her duties by standing in for a member of staff on long-term sick leave as recruitment is so difficult at the present time. The Car Park works are moving on apace.

#### 10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

##### a. **Financial Statement** to 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016 –

Lloyds bank statement at 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	<u>£12,296.45</u>
Presented cheques since last report	£406.09
Receipts since last report	£35,028.00
<b>Net Position</b>	<b><u>£46,918.36</u></b>
National Saving Account at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2016	£10,378.62
Total of Lloyds and NSB Accounts	<b><u>£57,296.98</u></b>
Less Allocated reserves	£13,732.57
Less Outstanding Cheques	£127.60
Available funds at 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2016	<b><u>£43,436.81</u></b>

##### b. **Accounts for payment -**

AH Contracts - £30.00; b. J Vischer, Salary as Clerk - £252.81; c. J. Vischer – clerk's incidental expenditure - £105.89; d. Post Office (PAYE) - £189.40; Cllr Gibbons, expenses - £20.00  
The above statement and payments were agreed.

#### 11. COUNCILLORS NEW ITEMS

**Cllr Gibbons** had received a complaint of speeding along the road in Little Linford on the bends and dip between Gayhurst and Little Linford Lane.

The verges outside of no 26 Wolverton Road had been dug-up perhaps for a drop-kerb to be installed although the Parish Council had not received any warning of this - to be watched.

The newly-fitted artificial grass patch on Wolverton Road by Manor Drive looks completely out-of-place. Clerk to ask if it could be replaced by a hard surface.

Around the back of the Crescent roof tiles had been fly-tipped and grass cuttings seemingly dumped by the owner but it was agreed that these were the responsibility of property owners.

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**The Chair** reported that the owner of no1 Wolverton Road had agreed to cut the hedge bounding his property so that MKC would not remove it.

Little Linford Lane at the MK Council depot the lane was churned up and a muddy mess presumably caused by MKC vehicles. Clerk to report.

A hard-core roadway had been created on Sailing Club land that did not appear to conform to any plans seen by the Parish Council. Clerk to report

Potholes in the tarmac jointing at the top of Wolverton Road by the bus stop. Clerk to report

Flash-flooding had occurred again on Chalmers Avenue. A broken pipe behind the wall in the field drained across the back of the wall. The previous dip behind the wall seemed to have filled-in – a proper ditch needed to be dug out. Clerk to contact landowner/farmer

12. **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

13. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at Haversham Social Centre at 7.30pm

**The meeting closed at 9.40pm**

Signed

date