

Minutes of a meeting of Cublington Parish Council held on 9th July 2019 in Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr H Vale (Chairman)
Cllr M Reilly
Cllr G Antosiewicz (Notes)
Cllr J Merriman
Cllr S Morgan

In attendance: County Councillor Netta Glover (for item 3)

1. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 7th May 2019 were discussed by the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Reports

Aylesbury Vale District Council and Buckinghamshire County Council (Cllr Netta Glover)

Unitary Council for Buckinghamshire:

Preparatory work for the new council was progressing. It was hoped that it would be in place by May 2020.

Fly Tipping: Cllr Glover was pleased to report that the Buckinghamshire fly tipping enforcement team had been recognized as the most effective team. They were to be featured on a Channel 5 documentary entitled Grime and Punishment on Thursday 11th July.

Highways Maintenance: The Highways Department had emptied a significant number of gullies, cut grass, carried out repairs and gritted roads in adverse weather. The resurfacing of the Stoke Hammond bypass had also been a major project successfully completed.

Transport Services: Changes to current levels of service provision would have implications for older children with SEND.

4. Accounts

4.1 The following invoices were passed for payment since the last meeting:

May Clerk's salary	£154.85
June Clerk's salary	£176.48
E-ON	£120.91
Stanair OG kitchen	£235.25
Data Protection.	£40.00
Playsafety.	£99.00
Zurich Insurance	1442.24
Autela payroll services	£47.00
Bucks Best Kept Village	£39.23
PAYE	£4.60
Mainly Mowing	£255.00

4.2 Accounts to 30th June 2019 were approved. It was noted that while there was currently a surplus of £2098.87 a year-end deficit of £1,025.45 was currently forecast. This was due to abnormal expenditure of £3,565 on the traffic feasibility report and legal costs of £1,500 in connection with the granting of a lease and establishing a new charity for Orchard Ground.

5. Orchard Ground Report and North Field Project Update

The Orchard Ground Committee had met the previous week. The Committee had agreed that the fete had been successful and possible options for the future had been considered.

The Parish Council's offer of support for the North Field project had been considered and a response had been sent to the Parish Council.

It was noted that, although it was likely that applications for grants could be successful, support towards the cost of planning applications would not be offered.

The Parish Council agreed therefore to confirm its support for the project on the basis agreed at the meeting held on 7th May 2019, subject to a maximum of 1,500.

Planning Permissions

18/04085/APP Lakeside Business Units – Formation of new vehicular access onto

Reads Lane: The planning officer had notified the Clerk that an extension of time to the end of July had been granted in respect of this application. This was pending the completion of ecology works on the site which were being carried out at the request of the AVDC Ecology Officer.

19/01703/APP: Amendment to single storey front, side and rear extension to include installation of roof lights - Dove Cottage – no objection

19/00644/APP – Change of use of land to gypsy/traveller pitches with associated works for personal and extended family.

It was confirmed that objections to this application had been submitted.

It was noted that a previous application (14/03463/APP) had been refused on two distinct grounds, namely that

1. There was no special justification to create new homes in such an isolated environment and that, as such, the proposal was against paragraph 55 of the national planning policy framework which seeks to avoid isolated homes in the countryside.
2. The use of the land would be incongruous and intrusive in its setting and was therefore contrary to recommendations in the local plan.

The submission emphasised that both the above grounds were equally applicable to the current application. This was because the requirements of paragraph 55 of the national planning policy framework were still not met and particularly as there were no restrictions proposed for the number of occupants on the site.

It had also been argued that the application did not meet the Core Policy 4 criterion which requires that sites should have access to local services including health services, shops, education and community facilities not all of which were available in Cublington.

It had also been pointed out that the application was contrary to elements of the local plan.

7. Village Matters

7.1 Traffic Calming: The feasibility report was still awaited.

7.2 Street Lighting: Lamps that had been reported as being faulty had all been repaired.

The contractor had provided a new contract for the forthcoming year. The terms of the contract had not changed from the current contract and the cost was also unchanged.

The contractor had provided a good and responsive service and it was therefore **agreed** to renew the contract as proposed.

7.3 Speed watch - Cllr Morgan was planning to carry out a speed watch later in the month. He would monitor three locations through the village over the course of one day. Residents who had volunteered to help with the exercise were thanked.

7.4 Pond - The pond was looking good and aquatic life had been seen in it.

7.5 Local Area Forum - No-one had been able to attend the previous meeting. Cllr Morgan hoped to be able to attend the next meeting.

8. Other Matters

8.1 Play Area - Although no recommendations had arisen from the inspection, Cllrs felt it would be useful to see a copy of the report.

8.2 Waste Disposal – It was suggested CPC provide a lorry/skip facility, once or twice a year on Orchard Ground, to take away larger items of waste such as old mattresses etc which cannot be dealt with in weekly waste collections. This suggestion arose from the fact that someone had put an old television in the OG waste bin. It was agreed that enquiries should be made about the cost of a skip.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council
will take place on Tuesday 10th
September 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village
Hall.**

Signed:

Dated: