

Minutes of a meeting of Cublington Parish Council held on 11th January 2022 at Biggs Pavilion at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr H Vale (Chairman)
Cllr M Reilly
Cllr G Antosiewicz
Cllr K Shults
Cllr M Waters

Cllr A Bond (County) for item 4
Cllr D Blamires (County) for item 4
Cllr P Cooper (County) for item 4

In attendance: Mr M Joy (Clerk)

1. Apologies

None

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 9th November 2021 were discussed by the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Declaration of Interest

Cllr Reilly declared an interest in item 7.4. There were no other Declaration of interests .

4. Reports

County Councillors

Cllr Blamires raised the matter of the Lockharts Recycling Centre planning application following the adjourned planning committee. The planning officer has been furnished with more information and in particular the points raised by Andy Alexander concerning the noise from the site. No new evidence can be presented to the committee other than those raised by the planning officer in his amended report. Cllr Blamire advised we should contact the officer if there was more information we wanted to give him. Cllr Waters raised the question concerning S73 of the planning act under which the planning application was made and whether the application complied with the Act. It was suggested we address this point again with the council for

it to confirm its interpretation of the act. A statement from the Ex Servicemen on the site would be useful and Cllr Blamires will be contacting them. It was recommended we identify conditions to be placed on the application should it be passed.

Cllr Vale state Parish Councils were not given legal support when faced with technical issues. The County Councillors said there is no resource at County for this sort of support.

Community Board – Cllr Bond confirmed our application for the upgrading of the footpath from Silver Street to the playground has been approved and the traffic calming project should be completed by the end of March.

Cllr Cooper referred to planning application **19/04435/ACL** -Wing PC – Wing Caravan Site – application for certificate of lawfulness for existing caravan site which is being reviewed by the Inspectorate. He said this technical application was odd. It related to an argument that is claiming the rights of the land when owned by Bucks CC still hold good. Cllr Cooper said BCC would not concur with the application. CPC pointed out it had written to the Bucks CC and AVDC putting them on warning that this application should not be entertained by the council.

A new pattern of wards is being developed for Buckinghamshire Council. Following a public consultation on proposed council size for the authority, the Local Government Boundary Commission has decided that the number of councillors in Buckinghamshire should be 98 (currently 147). The Commission wants to hear what residents and organisations think about their local area. A 12-week consultation on the proposals will run until 4 April 2022.

Cllr Reilly stated CPC has been very appreciative of all the support given to us by our county councillors.

5. Accounts

5.1 To approve payments since last meeting

The following invoices were passed for payment from 1st November to 31st December 2021:

2/11 The Landscape Partnership £1854.00 relating to North Field design costs- contribution of £806.83 from Orchard Ground
2/11 Reimbursed expenses M Joy £144 relating to planning costs Bucks Council
7/12 The Landscape Partnership £1,110 relating to North Field design costs – contribution of £925 from Orchard Ground
7/12 Bucks Council £449.52 – Dog bin collection and cleaning costs
19/11 Swalec £100.93 – electricity
25/11 Clerk Salary £154.46
20/12 HMRC PAYE £115.80 quarterly payment
20/12 Autela Payroll Service £50.40 quarterly charge
27/12 Clerk Salary £154.46
24/12 KT Hosting £123.00 – website annual cost
21/12 Swalec £97.94 – electricity

5.2 To review accounts to 31st December 2021 and forecast to 31st March 2022.

Surplus for the period to 31st December 2021 was £2,887.71 and the forecast to 31 March 2022 showed a deficit of £3,408.29. This is after providing for legal costs of £2,500 and traffic calming project costs of £3,722.

5.3 Precept 2022/23

Precept - a summary of income and expenditure for 2022/23 was presented to the meeting which showed a surplus of £3,335 after estimating an increase of £400 in the precept to £12,000. The expenditure only related to recurring expenditure and not any unusual costs. It was suggested

and agreed the precept should be increased by £400 to £12,000.

6. Orchard Ground/ North Field Report

Planning Approval was obtained on 14 December for the landscape and ecological plans, and it is anticipated the hard landscaping plan will be approved by April. Twelve trees were planted before Christmas and a working party has been arranged for 15th January. Priorities for planting is being produced by Colin Antosiewicz and Charlie Toosey. Cllr Water is obtaining pricing and supply dates for fruit trees. A blossom circle will be created and the formal planting will be carried out on 19th February with past Chair persons and members of Orchard Ground invited. Cricket Club AGM has been held and it is in a financially healthy position.

6.1 Draft Lease Considerations

The draft lease is in progress and once it is ready for signing the proposed new charity will apply to the Charity's Commission for registration.

It was agreed letters of comfort would be issued to the tennis and cricket clubs to ensure their use of current facilities would be for the next ten years. The draft lease allows for these occupancies to renew every ten years. These letters will be signed at the time of signing the lease.

7. Planning Permissions

7.1 19/04435/ACL -Wing PC – Wing Caravan Site – application for certificate of lawfulness for existing caravan site. No change – case referred to Inspectorate. Matter discussed under County Councillors reports.

7.2 CM/0066/20 Planning Application made under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to vary Condition 1 (Plans), Condition 2 (Operating Hours) and Condition 3 (Lorry Movements) of planning permission 08/20007/AWD at Lockharts Farm Recycling Facility, Wing Road, Cublington, LU6 0LB and additional amendment to conditions 4 (machinery)

This case was called in and discussed at The North Bucks Planning Committee on 15th December 2021. Cllr Waters spoke on behalf of CPC , Wing, Aston Abbots and Whitchurch PC against the application. A record of the meeting is available on a video cast accessed by going to the Bucks Council Website and clicking on 'Council and Elections' and then Committee Meetings . The meeting was adjourned to enable a site visit by members of the committee. Cllr Water and M Joy to prepare a list of conditions which CPC would like placed on the application should it be passed .

7.3 21/002583/APP

Ridings Cottage Ridings Way Cublington Buckinghamshire LU7 0LW Demolition of the existing cottage. Redevelopment of site with three detached dwellings and additional access to Ridings Way. Awaiting decision by planning office.

7.4 21/04426/ACL –

The Granary , Reads Lane – certificate of lawfulness application for existing use of studio building as an independent dwelling. No objection

8. Village Matters

8.1 Traffic

Road markings throughout the village were poor and the clerk was asked to contact our local technician Paul Foot. Bucks Council has told us our traffic calming project should be completed by the end of March. The procedures concerning Speedwatch are quite onerous , and there are only two sites in the village suitable for the equipment – The Knob and the entrance to Cublington Growers.

8.2 Street Lighting: Nothing to report. The light over the Give Way sign is out of action and has been reported to Bucks Council – Fixmystreet. Clerk to chase for replacement .

8.3 Playground and path

Awaiting a quote for the playground sign

The local community board has approved funding of a path from Silver Street to the playground . The estimated cost is £5,065 plus VAT. Need to consider a bollard restricting car access.

8.4 Trees and Pond

Adrian Gotzheim was thanked for felling the area from Neale's Farm to the Wing Road.

8.5 Thames Water works at Silver Street

Bucks Council has been in regular contact with Thames Water about the sewage pipes. Investigation work has been rescheduled for 26th January 2022.

8.6 Queen's Platinum Anniversary Celebrations

The main celebration day is Sunday 5th June . It was suggested OG should be approached to see if it would set up a committee of villagers to oversee the celebration . Cllr Waters to approach OG and Cllr Reilly to approach the Unicorn to discuss the event . It would be possible to close the road from the pub up to Whitchurch Road . It was suggested a commemorative present be given to children in the village who are aged 14 and under.

The next meeting of the Parish Council and annual general meeting will take place on Tuesday 8th March 2022 7.30pm at Orchard Ground.

Signed:

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