

**Minutes of a meeting of Cublington  
Parish Council held on 12<sup>th</sup> September  
2023 at Biggs Pavilion at 7.30pm**

Present:

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

Cllr D Blamires (Bucks Council) for item 4  
Cllr A Bond (Bucks Council) 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 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 were discussed by the meeting and duly signed by the Chair.

**3. Declaration of Interest**

None .

**4. Reports**

**Bucks Council Councillors**

The community board representative is carrying out road trips around the villages. There was no obvious day or time which would be convenient for Cublington so it was suggested the representative should be present at our village fete. The meeting went through the points requiring assistance from our county councillors.

1. CPC had carried out the repairs to the gate post and fenced damaged by a contractor of Bucks Council. It raised an invoice for the works to Bucks Council stating non settlement would result in taking the Council to the small claims court. This communication was copied to the litigation department and Cllr Steve Broadbent who is

the Cabinet Member Bucks Council responsible for Transport. to the head of Bucks Transport.No response has been received and the meeting agreed to proceed with legal action against Bucks Council. Cllr Diana Blamires said she would try once again to get Cllr Broadbent to review the case.

2. A summary of points discussed at Local Area Technician site visit was discussed. A schedule of outstanding points was produced which will be updated regularly to monitor action points. Reads Lane and Ridings Way are roads that are priority roads for resurfacing and Cllr Blamires will raise this request with Highways Dept.
3. The County Councillors felt there was little more they could do concerning Red Brick recycling unit.

Cllr Blamires reported on a presentation she had made to Bucks Council on the importance of appropriate provision for children and young people with ADHD.

Wingrave has had a request for 20mph speed zone turned down.

ADHD presentation by Blamires to council

**5.1 To approve payments since last meeting**

The following invoices were passed for payment from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023:

1/7 Zurich Insurance £1,875.63  
1/7 G Antosiewicz expenses £30.00  
flowers H.Vale  
3/7 Autela Payroll £54.58 – payroll services  
8/8 Wickstead £720 – maintenance  
playground -cableway  
8/8 MW Jenkins £891 – Orchard Ground  
gate repair  
21/7 SSE £109.54 electricity  
28/7 Clerk Salary £180.57 July  
15/8 Mainly Mowing £453.75 – mowing and  
hedge cutting

27/8 Clerk Salary £180.77 August  
28/8 Wickstead £123.77 – replacement  
porthole  
21/8 SSE £189.29 electricity

## 5.2 To review the accounting statements to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

There was a surplus of £78.88 for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023 with closing cash balances of £21,781.63. The forecast to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 is a deficit of £5,641.12 and cash reserves of £16,061.63.

## 6. Orchard Ground/ North Field Report

A grant application has been made to FCC Community Action Fund (formally Wren) for solar panels in the name of CPC on behalf of Orchard Ground for £23,500. A decision from FCC will be made by the end of August. Sundry plumbing work has been carried out, and legionella maintenance work needs to be completed. The Tree Council has offered OG to make another application for £2,000 of trees.

### 6.1 Draft Lease Considerations/New Charity

The final draft lease has been received. An application can now be made to the Charities Commission for registration of the new charity. Parrott and Coales is ceasing to trade at the end of September, and they apologised for their poor service on this matter. Our files will be transferred to Kidd Rapinet.

## 7. Planning Permissions

**7.1 19/04435/ACL** Wing Caravan Site – application for certificate of lawfulness for existing caravan site. The Inspectorate held an informal hearing last week – appeal has been refused.

**7.2 22/009963/AGN** Walnuts 4 Aston Abbots Road .Erection of general-purpose agricultural building for storage of implements and winter fodder – Appeal

under Section 78 – appeal has been refused.

**7.3 23/02119/APP** - The Old Stables Reads Lane Cublington Buckinghamshire LU7 0LE Erection of two detached dwellings – no objection.

**7.4 23/02005/APP** - Broncott Reads Lane Cublington Buckinghamshire LU7 0LE Householder application for detached garage- no objection.

## 8. Village Matters

### 8.1 Traffic Period 1.6.23 – 11.9.23

Count Speeders 30mph	146
% of All records	100%
Max Speeder 30mph	52mph
Count all Sessions 30mph	27
Avg Speeder per Session	5
Total number of vehicles passing	1719
Number sessions with vehicles passing	32
Avg Vehicles passing per session	53
Avg % speeders/session	8%
Session time at roadside	30.5 hours
Avg offenders per hour	4.8

Cllr Shults and his team were thanked for their excellent work. There is a need for more volunteers.

Lockharts – Bulk Transfer Limited is parking lorries on the site which is not registered as an operating centre. Clerk to report to Vehicle Operator Licensing .

Red Brick Farm – it was felt the number of lorry movements are exceeding the number allowed under the conditions of planning application. Clerk to contact Enforcement Dept .

### 8.2 Street Lighting

The LED replacement quotation was deficient in detail, so the contractor has been asked to come out and survey the existing lights to enable a comprehensive quotation.

### 8.3 Trees and hedges

It was noted there were still hedges and trees that needed cutting throughout the village. The Local Area Technician had been asked to establish which landowners

were responsible for trees and hedges throughout the village. It is important all paths are accessible, and streetlights are clear of tree/hedge branches.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council and will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023 7.30pm at Orchard Ground.**

Signed:

#### **8.4 Playground Maintenance**

Wickstead had completed maintenance work on the cableway. Further work is required and a quote for £1,248 has been received from Wickstead. Clerk to obtain quotations from other companies/individuals. A replacement porthole has been delivered and fitted. There were other minor deficiencies highlighted which will be looked at.

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#### **8.5 Waste Bins**

Bucks Council has changed its contractors concerning dog waste bins. The broken bin at OG will be replaced once a new contractor is in place. The general waste bins locking system have deteriorated over the years and Bucks Council has requested the bins are replaced with ones that have metal locks. The clerk felt the bins in other villages were no better than ours, so he suggested we leave the matter.

#### **8.6 Best Kept Village and Community Award**

Cublington has won a community award and runner up in the best kept village award. There will be a formal presentation of the awards at the next meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November. The chair suggest Cllr Reilly accepts the Best Kept Village Award and Cllr Waters accepts the community award on behalf of the parish council to reflect their hard work in these areas. It was suggested we provide light refreshments for the presentation and open the meeting to residents.

