

**Mawsley Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18 January 2015**

**Present:** Cllr Littler; Cllr Barnwell; Cllr Cope; Cllr Sanders; Cllr White; Cllr Richards; Cllr Wilson; Diana MacCarthy (Clerk)

**Members of the public present:** Judy Baker; Reg Baker; Trish Cottington, Christine Hamilton

**16.01.1 Apologies for Absence:**

PCSO Jason Parish;

**16.01.2 Declaration of Interests**

None received

**16.01.3 Allotted time for members of the public**

Christine Hamilton – Signage at the Dentist is illuminated 24 hours a day. Planning regulations seem to suggest that they should only be illuminated when the dentist is open. There is no reference to planning application on the Kettering Borough Council website. Cllr Hakewill is to investigate this as it is not a parish council matter.

Lack of footpath around the village particularly by Loddington way, was also raised. Cllr Littler said that this was a design point and had been previously pursued. Cllr Hakewill is to again look in to this.

Lack of lighting on the footpath, near Birch Spinney is making the area unsafe. Ms Hamilton enquired as to why this section had been missed and asked what was the point of having a path when it is too dark to see? Cllr Hakewill said that street lighting is a massive issue within the Council due to budget constraints.

Mr Baker enquired as to whether we were any further forward with the UPVC Windows and Doors issue. Cllr White confirmed he was still attempting to get KBC to confirm requirements, but currently they seem to want to determine each application on their individual merits. Cllr White has written a guide to assist, but this has not been approved by KBC. This guide will go in the newsletter in February.

**16.01.4 Minutes of the previous meeting**

**It was resolved** to approve the Minutes of the meeting of 21 December 2015.

Proposed by Cllr Cope and Seconded by Cllr White– save for the following amendments:

Cllr Sanders wished for the following to be clarified within the Minutes; The vesting (adoption) of the system is held pending a legal Deed of Discharge agreement which is required from the land owner of the attenuation basin to the North of the village. Taylor Wimpey has now instructed legal counsel to obtain a CPA route for the Deed of Discharge." Cllr Cliff Moreton confirmed that there are no other restraints between TW and NCC relating to the full adoption. In relation to issues with conveyancing solicitors and the un-adopted status, Chris Leeson has offered to deal with this directly and his contact details can be found in the newsletter. Finally Cllr Sanders request for the pre- adoption transfer of land for proposed Bus Shelter opposite the Medical Centre was acknowledged by Mr Leeson and is subject to MPC application.

Cllr Barnwell declared an interest in the matter. His solicitors confirmed he should not deal with adoption of balancing pond until TW (Taylor Wimpey) have dealt with other outstanding matters. The Discharge agreement will not be signed until these issues have been dealt with.

**16.01.5 Accounts and Budgets**

The following invoices were approved for payment

<b>Paid to</b>	<b>In respect of</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Clerk	Salary	£348.72

Keith Barrow	New Pump	£269.94
HMRC	Tax and NI	£254.00
Cllr Richards	Plants	£22.00

**It was Resolved** that the payments are to be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1982 and subsequent amendments

**Proposed Cllr Cope Seconded Cllr Barnwell**

Cllr Cope raised concern as regards the keeping of information relating to works being carried out within the Centre. No record is being kept of work being done, and guarantees being kept etc. This is to be added to the joint quarterly meeting.

The budget was then approved as per the updated figures which had been agreed at both the November and the December meeting.

**The Council resolved** to set a budget of £64,289.18.

Based on this and following much discussion, and taking in to account current funds, Cllr Littler proposed we set the precept at £60k, seconded by Cllr Wilson and Cllr Sanders agreed. Cllr White proposed an increase, seconded Cllr Cope and Cllr Richards agreed. Cllr Barnwell abstained. The Chairman had the casting vote and so **it was resolved** to set the precept was set at £60,000.00. The Clerk is to send the request to Kettering Borough Council.

The clerk had received correspondence from NCALC (Northants Association of Local Councils) as regards the external auditor. We would have two choices, firstly we could find a new auditor independently or we could remain with NCALC. We are awaiting confirmation of prices and this will then be bought back to the meeting for a decision.

**16.01.6 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

See end of Minutes.

**16.01.7 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council**

Cllr Hakewill provided an update as regards the adoption of the roads; he said that whilst he is happy to help progress matters, it must be appreciated that road adoption is not seen as vital particularly with County Council

Street Lighting – Discussions are ongoing with TW and County Council as regards this. The County Council will not want to adopt from TW due to cost. Cllr Hakewill is to find out what the current status is as regards the adoption, and will provide an update to the Council.

A43 widening is in a program of works. The long term plan is to dual Kettering to Northampton. It was queried as to why the C31 roundabout is not four ways with Broughton. Cllr Hakewill confirmed this is to be reviewed when the A43 is widened.

On the road leading out of Loddington there is a 25m Wind Turbine being erected.

Foxhall – there is currently a consultation to put 40mph limit through this section of the C31.

The County Council budget is under consultation. They are currently running over budget and therefore cuts need to be made. However it was confirmed that the Borough Council is hoping to stay with a 0% increase for Council Tax. The budget consultation meeting with KBC is on 21 January

Pub site – please refer to Clerk notes below. Cllr Hakewill said that he felt TW should pay Mawsley Taverns the £130k back and then hand the land to us, although this is doubtful.

The Clerk is to email Cllr Hakewill as regards the dog fouling bins, upon receipt of the plans which Cllr Sanders is to send showing the siting of 9 bins.

### 16.01.8 **The Centre at Mawsley**

CCTV – ADT have been informed that we require two additional cameras. We are awaiting a solution regarding the grills covering the screen, and an order will be placed after the issue is resolved. Cllr Littler is to chase.

Extension to centre – A meeting was held on 16 December to discuss initial views. Expert advice is being sought, and Cllr Littler is to meet with GSS (the original architects). Funding would need to come from an external grant. A further meeting is to be held shortly.

Concern had been raised with the Clerk as regards the increase in hall hire. Several user groups had began looking elsewhere at hall hire as the Centre is one of the most expensive in the area (higher than KLV and local school hire such as KSA). This was a concern as this is a large source of income as well as increasing the number of parents in the bar when activities are on.

### 16.01.9 **Police Matters.**

1 Burglary other and 2 violent offences, the police were not in attendance so details could not be ascertained.

### 16.01.10 **Village Issues**

Funding for cycle path – The Clerk is to look at applying to Kettering Borough Council in April when the new funding starts for the new financial year.

#### **Adoption process update – Report to Mawsley Parish Council by Cllr Sanders**

It was reported that all landscaping works have now been completed and are now just waiting for a start date on the repairs to the footpaths. We still have a strong communications with KBC regarding these areas.

However, we cannot pursue the roads until TW have moved on with the adoption of the spine roads.

Kettering Borough Council has now responded to concerns regarding the following:

#### ***Vehicle cross-over at access drive to the garages at 1 to 7 Broughton Road.***

To help resolve these issues Kettering Borough Council will install a knee rail fence approx. 4m length on either side of the vehicle entrance, so vehicles cannot park on this area. This is in line with other public open spaces in the Mawsley area. This will be installed by the end of this financial year.

The issue in regards to cars travelling across the cycle path has been referred to Northamptonshire Police. In terms of the cycle route and safety measures for cyclists, a Community Services Officer is going to refer this matter to Northamptonshire County Council, to ensure that all relevant regulations for cycle routes have been adhered to in these areas.

Overgrown and encroaching hedgerow from the Sub- Station and from No: 12 down to No: 4 Loddington Way. KBC Investigations have revealed that the hedgerow is not planted on public open space, this is private land owned by the properties listed. From conversations with local residents, it appears that the hedgerow was planted by the developers, not the residents. Further investigation has been requested on this on the basis that this is conflicting to other residents statements, including a resident who lives at one of the properties who has stated that the residents did plant the hedge.

It is also difficult to understand that this location goes from Open Plan frontage at Broughton Road to the boundary extensions at 12 down 4 Loddington Way and then back to Open Plan from 4 down to Cukow Close and that this needs precise clarification and explanation on the planting of the hedge which contains a mixture of plants including some 36 conifer at the boundary of No: 4 up the edge of the path which is contrary to building practice and might well damage the path in time and that this situation is totally out of

character with the whole development. Cllr Littler added that the residents own the hedge on to Loddington Road 2-8

**Village signage** – Cllr Richards is to send an image which the Clerk will forward to Northamptonshire County Council so that we may obtain the relevant approval for installation at the village entrance.

**Neighbourhood plan questionnaire** – Cllr Littler is to liaise with Cllr White and report back to Council.

**Mawley Dentist illumination** – see Allotted time for members of the public

**Village outdoor gym** – Cllr Richards has written an article, the clerk is to forward this to the newsletter Editor.

**Maintenance of the pond** – A donation had been received from the MVA and Horts, along with £450 donated for a children’s bench and donation from AMI Accountancy for £150.00, all made out to the pond maintenance group. The Parish Council is to send a letter of appreciation for the contribution to AMI and Horts.

**16.01.11 Correspondence and clerks update**

The Clerk confirmed that the Noticeboard had not been repaired to date as the person contacted has been unable to assist. It was Proposed by Cllr Littler that we spend up to £250 to repair this, seconded by Cllr Cope.

**16.01.12 Planning Matter**

KET/2016/0001 – 3 Cukow Close - No objections.

Pharmacy – Those that live in village (within 1 mile) would have to get prescription from Pharmacy, not dispensary. Dr Oliver to call a village meeting to outline the proposal and its effect.

DA/2015/0764 – planning permission was granted for 1000 solar panels in the same field as the current wind turbine. White lodge will become self sufficient and contribute to national grid. Daventry District Council (DCC) had agreed to notify us following our earlier complaint. The Clerk is to write to Kettering Borough Council and DCC to ask why we were not notified.

**16.01.13 Items for the newsletter**

Guide to windows/outdoor gym/adoption/extension to centre/update from PC and future meeting dates.

**The meeting ended at 9.25pm**

**Signed:** .....

**Date:** .....

12.10.5.1	RB	To investigate wording for declaration on walk way.	Still ongoing
12.12.13.1	RB	People March to be visited for advice on activities for young people within Mawsley	A meeting date is being arranged. RB to email Rob Bailey, Cllr Cope and Cllr Richards – ongoing.
14.4.7.1	Clerk	Open Space Plan	Cllr littler is to colour in the plans to indicate those areas to be adopted/already adopted
14.4.7.4	Clerk	Licence to Occupy	The Clerk has forwarded the required

			documentation to KBC to progress the Licence. Cllr Hakewill to confirm payment of legal fees.
15.6.12.1	PR	Outdoor fitness equipment	Ongoing
15.6.12.2	PR	Designs to be acquired for village entrance	Consent is to be approved from Northamptonshire County Council for the placing of the sign. Clerk to send pictures to NCC.
15.7.10.2	BL	To report back to full Council as regards a proposed new working party to look at Centre expansion.	Report on February meeting.
15.9.10.3	Clerk	To speak to KBC re dog fouling and ask for the dog wardens to attend.	Ongoing as there is a staff shortage.
16.01.5	Clerk	Send Precept request	
16.01.6	Clerk	Speak to Cllr Hakewill re dog bins	
16.01.10	Clerk	Write to AMI and Horts and thank for their donation to the pond.	
16.01.11	Clerk	To contact maintenance person to repair Noticeboards	
16.01.12	Clerk	To draft letter to KBC and DDC re installation of solar panels	

