Mawsley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th April 2009

Present: Cllr. Littler ;Cllr. Holland; Cllr. Moreton; Cllr. Barnwell; Cllr. Hazell; Cllr. Cope; Tim Bellamy; Cllr. King ;Elaine Cawthorne(clerk)

Members of the public present: Terry Woodward; Steve Draycott; Martin Bentley

04.09.1 Apologies for Absence none

04.09.2 Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Littler declared his position as Director of Mawsley Villagers Association Ltd. (MVA) and a director of The Centre at Mawsley CIC.

04.09.3 Allotted time for members of the public

Terry Woodward has lived in Mawsley for six years but this is the first year that he has been disturbed by bird scarers, he assumes that the noise is caused by bird scarers as it is too noisy to be a shotgun. Mr Woodward has heard them as early as 5:45am. He has been asked by the Borough Council to keep a log. The Borough Council has had two or three complaints. Perhaps an article in the newsletter but that may encourage people to complain who aren't really upset by it? Cllr. Littler had put a post on the forum to ask where the scarers were so Cllr. Barnwell could say who the farmers are. There had been no response to this although people on the forum said that it was still a problem. Cllr. Barnwell started by saying that they are not his! He has been making investigations as the scarers are waking him up. There is a nationally agreed time, before which you are not allowed to use them. They are certainly not allowed to go all night which they are. Clerk to write to environmental health about this ACTION 04.09.3.1.

Steve Draycott and Martin Bentley were attending the meeting on behalf of the gardening and wildlife club. Steve Draycott mentioned a water pump at the bottom of Cowslip Hill. Brackets had been put over to stop children playing. Steve has twice seen children climbing out. Clerk to Write to Wimpey action 04.09.3.2

The gardening club had pegged out a suggested memorial garden over the weekend. The area of the garden was (90ft x 75ft) which amounts to less than 5% of the total open area. The area was the easiest area for the gardening group in respect of ease of access for disabled and ease for the club to maintain. All the parish councillors had been to visit over the weekend. Cllr. Littler said that a decision on location should be deferred until the path and eco meadow are complete so it can be considered in line with other proposed areas such as the orchard. Cllr. Littler added that the resident from the bottom house in Jibwood has complained about the proposed location of the memorial garden as they feel that it is too close to their house. Cllr. Moreton agreed that all other areas need to be considered. Cllr. Littler added that the gardening and wildlife club may wish to think about the size of the memorial garden, bearing in mind the poor quality of the soil

Cllr. King joined meeting at this point.

The smaller the garden the easier it is to maintain and to treat the soil. Members of the gardening club may move and then the issue of maintenance would need to be considered. Cllr. Moreton said we need to understand what is going in the garden to see what size is needed. Steve Draycott said that they wanted to base it on Anglesey Abbey with winding paths and miniature gardens. Cllr. Barnwell asked if it was positioned intentionally at an angle to the path? Steve said many groups in the village wanted to maintain areas of the garden. Cllr. Littler said that until more progress has been made with the eco meadow as a whole there is no more to discuss. Cllr. Barnwell asked if KBC would be responsible for the land? Cllr. Littler said that KBC would maintain the eco meadow but the village would be responsible for the garden. Cllr. Littler said that the Parish Council needs to consider the agreement with the Borough Council on the maintenance of the areas. Tim Bellamy has already asked the legal team about this. Tim Bellamy to report back to the May meeting. ACTION 04.09.3.3

04.09.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held March 6th 2009 were proposed by Cllr. Cope and seconded by Cllr. Holland.

04.09.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

12.06.15	Clerk	Write to developers about broken street lights.	Clerk written to the developers
6.08.19	Clerk	Write to Jim Harker about Old Poor's Gorse Badger fence	Clerk spoken to highways, work to be done by Christmas or very soon after. Still not done. Clerk to chase again. Clerk to write to P Hollobone
9.08.14.1	Cllr. Holland/Cllr. Cope	Investigate whether TCAM broken doors were fit for purpose	Cllr. Cope has a quote for new doors but is waiting for a quote for a roll door for the store room.
09.08.14.2	Clerk	Write to Diamond estates about badger fencing and kerbstones	Wimpey put the fence on Wimpey land, it was a condition that it was built before any building started, it was part of the planning consent. This is a planning issue Cllr. Barnwell has asked Bidwells to look into this.
01.09.08	Tim Bellamy	Check if dog bin has been fitted and contact Tim Bellamy	Chase when dog bin to be fitted

02.09.3	Clerk	Contact Highways re moving the bus stop	Highways and Wimpey to meet to see if traffic island by post box can be altered. When this is agreed, the bus stop can be moved
02.09.17.1	Clerk	Give TCAM copy of the insurance schedule	Carried forward. Done, matter closed
03.09.03	Richard Hoy	Install one bench by Loddington Way	Carry forward
03.09.07.1	Cllr. Littler	Determine costs of additional paths re the play area	The quote was £3000, the work was being done with the help of Phoenix paving
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03.09.07.2	Cllr. Barnwell	Remove remaining items from old play area	Done, matter closed
03.09.09.1	Cllr. Holland	Liaise with Tom Saunders re approaches to developers re lighting etc.	Ongoing
03.09.09.2	Clerk	Advise NCC of date when the developer bond agreement expires	Carry forward
03.09.13	Clerk	Write to P Hollobone MP re changes to Planning Regulations	

04.09.6 Wind farm

Nothing to report

04.09.7 Bird Scarers

See public participation

04.09.8 Open space

See public participation

04.09.9 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

Tim Bellamy reported that Julia Beckett was trying to progress installation of the dog bin. The litter bin has now been moved from the old play area and installed at the new play area. Cllr. Barnwell asked about lighting as the children were playing in the dark. Tim Bellamy said that this was not an issue. Tim Bellamy has asked the legal team to look into the eco meadow ownership.

KBC is giving support on the fun day for bins. KBC wants to do a consultation about housing; this will tie in as an insert with the newsletter.

Tim Bellamy also reported that the cricket ground now has a metered water meter.

04.09.10 Police Matters

Cllr. King said that the nursery was broken into. He was concerned that the crime in Barnwell Court was not reported in the figures. Cllr. King was worried that crime was increasing. Cllr. Littler agreed that the figures should be checked.

04.09.11 Taylor-Wimpey

Nothing to report

04.09.12. Accounts and Budgets

1. Expenditure for the month. The following cheques were presented for payment

Chq 158 Void Chq 159 **CPRE** membership 29.00 Chq 160 Mr & Mrs Cordes (allotment rent) 550.00 Chq 161 TCAM windfarm meeting 9.80 TCAM Chq 162 9.80 Chq 163 Mrs E Cawthorne(Feb and March) 672.00

The payments were proposed by Cllr. King and seconded by Cllr. Littler.

04.09.12. Correspondence and Clerks Update

1. A consultation on Parish Funding was received, Cllr. Cope to complete

2. A letter had been received from the Four Spires asking for a donation. It was proposed that £75 be given as a gesture of support. This was proposed by Cllr. Holland and seconded by Cllr. King

Chq 164 was written to Four Spires

3. The Council agreed sub group can make decision on new clerk, interviews to take place the 7th April

4 The May meeting is also the AGM and AVM. It was agreed that the AVM on 11th May would be in the old format at 7:30pm. Cllr. Littler said that next year the council would organise a bigger event.

04.09.13. Planning matters

There were no applications to discuss

04.09.14 Mawsley Community Fund

No applications were received this month.

04.09.10 TCAM

TCAM Cllr. Holland took over as chair. Cllr. Hazell reported that the Parish Council and TCAM had had a meeting to clarify points. The Parish Council representatives have met and made conclusions and will tell TCAM shortly. Cllr. Hazell wanted Parish Council to officially agree so that they could contact TCAM.

The Parish Council agree that the £17255 capital expenditure can be reallocated to support the business provided that the appropriate paperwork is completed. As a condition of this there should be a formal review in September. The Parish Council should receive monthly figures as agreed in time for the Parish Council meeting. TCAM can come to the Parish Council in exceptional circumstance if trade is not as forecast. Cllr. Hazell is happy to offer advice on the running of their business if they require. This was proposed by Cllr. Hazell and seconded by Cllr. Moreton.

Cllr. Littler returned to the meeting at this point.

04.09.15 Items for inclusion in the newsletter

Cllr. Cope brought up the subject of creating an emergency action plan for the village, a list of doctors, nurses etc. Cllr. King said that the WI was discussing that at their next meeting. Cllr. Cope to speak to WI and put something in the newsletter. ACTION 04.09.15

04.09.16 Any other business

Cllr. Barnwell said that he had attended the pantomime and that it was an excellent village event.

04.09.17 Date of next meeting

Next PC meeting Monday May 11th 2009.

Signed:

Date:

The meeting ended at 9:55 ACTION POINTS

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04.09.3.3	Tim Bellamy	Produce potential agreement between KBC and Mawsley Parish Council re: eco meadow	
04.09.15	Cllr. Cope	Talk to WI and put article in newsletter re emergency planning	