Mawsley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9 May 2011

Present: Cllr Littler (Chair); Cllr Holland; Cllr. Cope; Cllr Thomas; Cllr Leah; Cllr Farthing; Diana MacCarthy (clerk);

Members of the public present: Mr & Mrs Pritchard; Tim Bellamy

5.11.1 Apologies for Absence: Cllr Barnwell

5.11.2 Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Littler declared his position as a Director of Mawsley Villagers Association Ltd. (MVA) and as a Director of The Centre at Mawsley CIC, and as a member of the Allotment Association, and The Sports Council.

Cllr Farthing declared her interest in MVA and Cllr Leah declared her interest in The Centre and The MVA.

5.11.3 Allotted time for members of the public

Nothing raised

5.11.4 Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr. Holland proposed the minutes of the meeting held 4 April 2011 and Cllr. Cope seconded these.

5.11.5 Matters arising from the previous meeting

03.09.07.1	BL	Determine costs of fence and path to play area	Await resolution of land ownership
7.10.3.3	Clerk & VC	To investigate speed laws	Update awaited from Jim Harker
10.10.5.1	BL	Transfer back to KBC of pub land	It is understood that if pub appeal is allowed TW will get the land but will hand it

			back to MPC under the S106, if the pub fails KBC will deal with Mawsley Taverns – appeal 7 June 2011	
11.10.5.1	Clerk	Letter to KBC re adoption of open space and Pond	Ongoing – see notes below	
12.10.5.1	RB	To investigate wording for signage	Statutory Declaration to be prepared	
2.11.5.1	Clerk	To obtain car park specification	Subject to Freedom of Information request	
2.11.5.2	VC	Speak to Phoenix to state latent defects from their report	Ongoing	
2.11.7.1	TS	Write to TW for new road adoption dates and information	TS chasing Colin Radford and Colin Williams	
2.11.13.1	RB/Clerk	Prepare lease for Allotments	Lease with RB	
2.11.13.1	BH	Prepare draft budget	Prepare draft and distribute	
3.11.6.1	RB	Write to KBC regarding transfer to Sports Council not MPC	Ongoing	

5.11.6 Mawsley Interface to Kettering Borough Council

BL suggested getting Julie Beckett involved in some of our issues. TB requested a list of outstanding issues to be sent to JB with him copied in ACTION 4.1.6.1 CLERK to prepare. Suggested Jim Hakewill should also be copied in so that he can assist.

5.11.7 Taylor Wimpey

Response to be drafted to Steve Farmers letter with a request that Tim O'Donovan attend the next Parish meeting or that we meet at a mutually convenient time. Councillor Farthing to prepare a presentation-highlighting key issues ACTION 5.11.7.1 Clerk to arrange meeting; 5.11.7.2 Councillor Farthing to arrange presentation. Councillor Farthing said that MP Hollobone was interested in assisting Mawsley in respect of outstanding maintenance issues. Councillor Thomas thought Steve Farmers suggestion of speaking to Kier was a good idea Councillor Cope added that we need to separate the two issues of problems with the village ie road adoption and issues with the Centre.

5.11.8 Mawsley Community Fund

No applications received

5.11.9 The Centre at Mawsley

Electrical inspection Councillor Cope updated the Council of the situation; He started with an overview of previous issues that had been discussed to update the new Councillors. As fitted drawings are incorrect for the Centre. Wiring to plant room incorrect, switch to turn off electrics in case of fire is not connected. Firewall has not been sealed correctly in halls, no smoke detectors in ceiling voids, no proper fire certificate, last man out switches are incorrectly wired, as fitted diagram for wiring is also incorrect. Councillor Cope said he did not understand how the building became signed off, which is was, by Bob Islam of Kettering Borough Council. Councillor Leah asked whether we should not approach them. Councillor Cope said it would cost approx £25k to repair all of it. Councillor Holland said he knew of someone who can come in to centre and undertake a fire risk assessment. Councillor Thomas suggested a further meeting to discuss this, as a separate issue and report back to the Council. Councillor Littler, proposed that key jobs be carried out immediately. A further report produced by Councillor Cope highlighted another 22 points, 16 of which require immediate action. Councillor Thomas suggested we get quote for those key 16 items, and then separately for the others. ACTION 5.11.9.1 Write to Came & Co insurers with list of issues re electrics which have been identified as being type 1 & 2, so that we have bought it to their attention. It was agreed that a set amount would be allocated for urgent works (type 1 & 2) - Councillor Littler proposed £5000 seconded by Councillor Thomas. This will be after three quotes have been sought, for best value. A sub-committee will be formed of Councillor Holland, Councillor Cope and Councillor Thomas to discuss electrical issues. It was also agreed that provisional legal advice would be obtained, through members of the village. ACTION 5.11.9.2 Clerk to chase KBC re letters on report.

9.25 Councillor Leah left the meeting

Car Park

Issues still ongoing – Councillor Cope felt that it was a priority due to H&S risk – Clerk to chase car park spec under Freedom of Information Act.

Painting of outside of Centre

3 quotes obtained by Council; It was agreed that we should go with Ian Ramsey Propose Councillor Thomas seconded Councillor Littler.

Insurance

By continuing our policy with Came & Co it would save the Council £128.87 per year provided we agree to be tied in for three years. Agreed this was a good idea; proposed Councillor Littler seconded Councillor Holland ACTION 5.11.9.3 Clerk to ring Came & Co to put policy in place

5.11.10 Bus Route and Shelter

Land is still awaiting dedication, Tom Sanders is dealing. Regarding the extension of the bus route – cuts have been implemented, but the number of users has increased, so Mawsley has retained the service. Concessions have been cut which Tom Sanders is reviewing, but route 39 appears safe, following a press release. Further extension is not on consultation, and no discussions have been had.

5.11.11 Police Matters

The police were unable to attend this meeting.

5.11.12 Villager issues

Issue regarding dog mess had been raised but it was agreed that these need to be referred to the dog warden at Kettering Borough Council.

5.11.13 Accounts and Budgets

Councillor Holland gave an overview of possible future expenses/expenditure. Councillor Littler then left the room whilst payments to The Centre were discussed. It was agreed that the following should be paid;

Top Notch invoices 18446 - £358.80 and 18449 - £270.00;

CPRE membership £29.00;

Clerk salary £420;

Clerk home usage fee £100

5.11.14 Correspondence and Clerks update

None received

5.11.15 Planning

KET/2011/0224 re 27 Symonds Way - No objections

5.11.16 Items for newsletter

Councillor Farthing suggested setting up a facebook page to bring it up to date as she felt people did not like attending meetings. Councillor Littler is worried about the immediacy as no councillor has approval to reply to queries with out approval and backing of the whole council.

5.11.17 Any Other Business

Councillor Cope requested £8 for varnish to paint the notice-boards in the village. Proposed Councillor Thomas seconded Councillor Holland. Mobile library in Mawsley was all agreed as a good idea. Councillor Farthing asked to attend the course on community action – proposed Councillor Thomas seconded Councillor Holland. Councillor Thomas then asked for a sports council representative, Councillor Holland volunteered. The Centre staff still not happy to use mezzanine floor as too much of a risk – Councillor Thomas looking at how we can improve the safety aspects and how to improve ACTION 5.11.17 Councillor Thomas to review

Meeting ended 22.41

ACTION POINTS

5.11.6.1	Clerk	Letter to Julia Beckett at KBC re outstanding issues, copy to Tim Bellamy and Jim Hakewill	
5.11.7.1	Clerk	Arrange meeting with Tim O'Donovan of TW	
5.11.7.2	CF	To prepare presentation for TW on outstanding issues	
5.11.9.1	Clerk	Write to Came & Co re issues with safety of The Centre	
5.11.9.2	Clerk	To chase KBC re response to our letter regarding issues at The Centre	
5.11.9.3	Clerk	To put Insurance policy in place prior	

		to 1 June	
5.11.17.1	PT	To review safety of mezzanine floor	

The meeting ended at 10.30

Signed:

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