Great Milton Parish Council

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Held at the Pavilion, Great Milton, on Monday 21st November 2022 at 7:30 pm. Present: Cllrs W Fox (Vice-Chair), P Allen, D Harms, M Horsley, C Deacon.

In attendance: Chris Ashworth (Clerk)

147/22 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr S Harrod, Cllr C Newton (SODC) and Cllr F V Mierlo (OCC)

148/22 Variation of order of business

The Business was conducted in the order prescribed by the agenda.

149/22 Declarations of members' interests

No declarations of interest were received in matters on the Agenda.

150/22 Matters to report

The County Councillor's monthly report was received and reviewed and is available on the Parish Council website along with the District Councillor's.

151/22 Correspondence and public discussion

No correspondence has been received in matters not otherwise on the agenda.

152/22 Planning applications

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B To review the following planning decisions received and any outstanding planning matters:

P22/S3601/LB (3 Priory Bank, Church Road, Great Milton, OX44 7PA) New chimney pot to extend height above the ridge to current regulatory height for a wood burner. Permission has been **GRANTED**.

P22/S0163/FUL (Bentley House, London Road, Milton Common, OX9 2NU) Demolition of existing car repair workshop and erection of replacement commercial building comprising 4 units, with associated works including access, parking and landscaping. Amendments to planning approval P20/S3158/FUL to reduced permitted eaves height to 5.4m and install 1.8m high fence and landscaping enclosure to the front of the site. Details submitted to reword conditions 3,4,5 and 6 of P20/S3158/FUL to allow development to be undertaken in accordance with submitted details and to remove condition 11 relating to construction being undertaken in accordance with BREEAM excellent standard. (As amplified by information received 1 August 2022). Permission has been **GRANTED**.

153/22 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the October meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday 17th October, were received, reviewed, agreed and signed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

154/22 Financial resolutions

A To authorise and sign the following cheques for payment:

Chris Ashworth. Salary, Tax and Expenses November: £523.22

Shield Maintenance Dog Waste October: £62.40

J M Dudley November Bulletin: £311.40 McCracken & Sons Grass Cutting: £402.22

BT Office/e-mail package: £10.80 (paid by monthly Direct Debit) Hugo Fox: web support July: £19.99 (paid by monthly Direct Debit)

Jenks Tree works: £1632.00 Wheatley Park School: £50.00

B The October bank reconciliation, accounts and bank statement were reviewed and approved.

155/22 Budget 2023-24 first draft

The first draft of the Parish Council's budget for 2023/4 was reviewed. It was approved subject to some further work on salaries and, possibly, grass cutting

156/22 Parish clerk and councillors' update of matters in hand

- Work on the gateway features has been raised with the signing contractor. It will take a few weeks for the necessary materials to be acquired then we will be given a date of installation.
- The Great Milton Christmas Carols around the tree on the green, followed by mince pies in the pub, will take place on Tuesday 13th December at 18:00.

157/22 Security in the village

Residents are encouraged to please continue to report <u>any</u> incident that they witness or experience to the police via the 101-telephone service or online via the police.co.uk website.

158/22 Cllr Malcolm Horsley to update us on the Harrington situation

Cllr Horsley attended the Consultation report back from Summix's consultants. Prior to this he also attended a meeting with Haseley Brook Action Group (HBAG) who had also invited the chairs of Little Milton, Great Haseley, Cllr F Mierlo (OCC) and the Lib Dem candidate for the next SODC election. Harrington is being promoted as a sustainable and green town. The main argument is that we have two choices: continue to extend Thame or build a whole new settlement on the proposed Harrington site. In the presentation from JTP (Summix's consultants), they presented the results of consultation with local residents on three days. In most of the workshop photos it was apparent that many of the participants were from JTP. At no point in time did JTP indicate how many residents had been present. The presentation highlighted some of the concerns but the main message is that it will be the best solution to all SODC's housing needs. At the presentation, again most of the room seemed to be the very large delegation of JTP consultants.

HBAG are well organised and in 1989 they engaged with around 130 local parishes and they are looking to engage with local communities again. Harrington is currently not in the Local Plan, and there is a widely held belief that it won't get into the revised Local Plan that will begin development next year. Cllr Horsley suggested that the village should not be complacent and that the Parish Council and local residents should engage with HBAG and register their views once SODC undertakes the correct consultation process, as opposed to the Summix led one.

159/22 Warm welcome campaign

To discuss putting in place an initiative for the warm Welcome Campaign. Unfortunately, no one from the warm welcome campaign. Residents are asked to keep an eye out on vulnerable people and help out where they can.

160/22 Thame food bank initiative

To discuss the potential of setting up a food bank donation point within the Parish, which will be collected by Cllr Caroline Newton. We are hopeful Cllr Newton will be able to attend a future meeting to discuss this further.

161/22 Staff salary NALC revised cost of living

The Parish Council agreed to the NALC revised cost of living salary scale for the Clerk for 2022/23 and the amount backdated from April 2022.

162/22 Check the mowing areas for 2023

The mowing areas are all still correct and agreed upon. Parish Clerk will gather quotes.

The next meeting of Great Milton Parish Council will be held on Monday 12th December 2022 at 7.30 pm at the Pavilion.

Meeting ended at 19:57