LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HEKD ON TUESDAY 21ST MAY 2013.

Present: Councillors: D.D. Banfield, Chairman

G.A. Fitchew, Vice-Chairman

Mrs. V. Brownridge

P.C. Emmett
R. Mash
H. Midgley
Mrs. R.R. Taylor
Mrs. B.K. Wallis

Mrs. G.J. Barclay, Clerk

Also present were five members of the public.

44/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from D. Cllr. D. Johncock and D. Cllr. J. Savage.

45/13 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Mr. D.D. Banfield was elected Chairman

Proposed: P.C. Emmett Seconded: R. Mash

46/13 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. G.A. Fitchew was elected Vice-Chairman

Proposed: D.D. Banfield Seconded: Mrs. B.K. Wallis

47/13 CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

Mrs Kathryn Acres was co-opted and signed the Acceptance of Office.

48/13 REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

See appendix

49/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

50/13 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th April 2013 were approved.

Proposed: P.C. Emmett Seconded: G.A. Fitchew

51/13 REPORTS ARISING

a. Thames Water Sewage Spillage

Mr Emmett has spoken to the Environment Agency and has been told that they are working with Thames Water. A further pollution incident has occurred when sludge over-spilled. Enforcement is not being taken but an investigation is underway. There have been back-ups of sewage at The Moor, and Upper Thames Sailing Club have concerns for their Regatta this weekend.

The issue has been raised in the House of Lords.

It was stressed that it is important for the public to contact the Environment Agency as soon as an incident occurs.

Mr R. Randall of Westhorpe Farm has had a meeting with both Thames Water and the Environment Agency. He is taking legal action as his livelihood has been affected.

52/13 FINANCE

a. Income and Expenditure Account

The Financial Report for 1st to 31st March 2013 was approved.

Income: £1957.68 Expenditure: £3029.87

Proposed: G.A. Fitchew Seconded: Mrs. R.R. Taylor

b. Annual Accounts and Annual Governance Statement for the Financial Year ended 31st March 2013.

These were received and approved.

Proposed: P.C. Emmett Seconded: Mrs B.K. Wallis

53/13 PLANNING

Wycombe District Council Decisions

1. 13/05437/CTREE Bryher, Lockbridge Road

Fell 1 Ash

Not to make TPO

2. 13/05516/FUL

Little Abbots, The Avenue

Construction of single storey side/rear extension and new side entrance Application permitted

3. 13/05623/FUL Winterholme, The Drive

Construction single storey extension

Application permitted

New Applications

1. 13/05834/CTREE Herons Pool, The Avenue

Reduce by 5m Western Red Cedars, and reduce height by 2m Leylandii group

Comment: No objection

2. 13/05847/CTREE Summer Cottage, Church Road

Reduce height and spread of Leylandii/Thuja group

Comment: No objection

3. 13/05917/FUL Redwood Lodge, Pump Lane North

erection of single storey side/rear extension and removal of existing conservatory

Comment: No objection

4. 13/05992/CTREE White Friars, Farm Road

Reduce branches and crown lift to 5m to one Oak

Comment: No objection

5. 13/06077/FUL New Farm Cottage, Sheepridge Lane.

Erection of two storey rear extension and siting of new oil tank.

Requires site visit

Neighbourhood Plan

There was nothing further to report.

54/13 ABBOTSBROOK HALL

A meeting will be held with one of the residents to discuss the car park.

55/13 BURIAL GROUND

The sub-committee are looking into applying for planning permission to develop the track to Sheepridge Lane.

56/13 PAVILION/RECREATION GROUND

a. Netting

The Cricket Club have asked for permission to erect higher netting to help prevent cricket balls entering the garden of Tara in School Lane. It was agreed that they could erect a taller net, up to the height of the first pruned branch of the tree opposite the house.

b. Replacement Trees

The trees will be planted in the autumn. The issues with the fence and hedge will be looked at.

c. Upgrading Play Equipment

The sub-committee has met and chosen an item which will cost £4365. We have budgeted £2000 towards this and the Fete Committee have pledged £750 which leaves a shortfall of £1615. We will look at the budgets to see if this difference can be made up from elsewhere.

57/13 SPADE OAK CAR PARK

There was nothing further to report.

58/13 GRASS CUTTING – LITTLE MARLOW VILLAGE

It was agreed to ask Mr G. Taylor to undertake this on behalf of the Parish Council.

59/13 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Meetings of the Parish Council will take place at The Pavilion at 8pm on the following dates:

25th June, 6th August, 10th September, 22nd October, 3rd December 2013 and 14th January 2014.

60/13 REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Help The Heroes Clay Shoot

This was held on 18th May.

b. Vegetation at junction of Winchbottom Lane and A4155.

This is impeding visibility and BCC will be asked to cut the area.

c. Spade Oak Liaison Committee

Mr Fitchew and Mr Emmett attended the Lafarge Tarmac meeting on 17th April. The concrete plant is to continue operating. Lafarge have appealed against BCC's decision.

d. Marlow Town Forum Meeting

Mrs Brownridge attended this meeting.

e. CWLCP

Mrs Wallis attended the meeting. There have been speed cables in Sheepridge Lane which will gather data towards the speed limit request by residents there. The LCP have been asked to look again at the issue of the informal footpath on the C100, and they are to undertake a safety audit. £10,000 has been granted towards a footpath along Heath End Road.

61/13 CLOSURE OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a. Roger Randall

Mr Randall told the meeting that an Enforcement notice for waste at the Westhorpe field has been given to NWE.

Chairman