# Melchet Park & Plaitford Parish Council

# Minutes of meeting held at Plaitford Village Hall on 15th July 2019

### **Present**

K Curtis (Chairman) S Bowles N Curtis AW Porter JPA Robson CS Stacey Councillor G Bailey (TVBC)

# 29/19 Apologies

No apologies were received.

**30/19** The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the AGM of the Parish Council both on the  $13^{th}$  May 2019 were agreed and signed.

#### 31/19 Interests

No interests were declared.

#### 32/19 Members' Reports

- a) Cllr Bailey reported that the roadworks at the entrance to Waitrose in Romsey should start very soon.
- b) The first phase of creating a green space in Sherfield English off Mill Lane would be the entrance and the carpark.
- c) The undergrounding of the high voltage cables at Hale is not now expected to go ahead owing to it being necessary to dig up the cable every 30 years for checking.
- d) The new Development Plan for the NPA is expected to receive approval very soon.

## 33/19 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

## 34/19 Clerk's Report

Advice from NALC is that if a Council wishes to name in the minutes a member of the public who speaks at a meeting their consent should be obtained. Referring to them as "a resident" avoids any GDPR issues.

### 35/19 Disciplinary Policy

Cllr Robson expressed reservations that a Parish Council such as Plaitford may have difficulty in following the procedure as set out in the policy. It was noted that the Council had existed for 125 years without recourse to such a policy. The Clerk was instructed to try to find a simpler and more appropriate model document.

## 36/19 Grievance Policy

Cllr Stacey proposed and Cllr Bowles seconded that the draft Grievance Policy should be adopted: this was resolved.

# 37/19 Maintenance of Footpaths

Regarding the footpath which had been the subject of complaints the Clerk stated that she had already spoken with the landowner.

### 38/19 Finance

- a) It was unanimously agreed that the membership of CPRE should be renewed.
- b) The Budget Control Report was received.
- c) Income of £51.51 from HMRC (VAT refund) was noted.
- d) Direct debits of £18.00 to Unity Trust Bank (standing charge) and £67.20 to HMRC (PAYE) were noted.
- e) Cheque no. 317 previously signed of £28.80 to TVBC (election recharge, £24.00 ex-VAT) was approved.
- f) Cheque nos. 318 and 319: £269.20 to J Wright (Clerk's salary); £36.00 to CPRE (membership) were approved and signed.

# 39/19 Planning Applications

Mobile Home, Wellow Wood Paddock, Wellow Wood Road - Erection of utility and storage buildings, fencing, and construction of permeable paving area (part retrospective) – (TVBC ref: 19/01459/FULLS) – "Object - This is just a further development on this site in the open countryside and contravenes conditions to which previous permissions were subject."

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

# **Date of Next Meeting**

EOM 5<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – Planning 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019