

LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 10TH AUGUST 2010.

Present: Councillors: D.D. Banfield, Chairman
G.A. Fitchew, Vice-Chairman
C.S. Innocent
R.Mash
Mrs. B.K. Wallis

Mrs. G.J. Barclay, Clerk

Also present were D. Cllr. R.W. Jennings and four members of the public.

84/10 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Mrs. V.A. Morton, Mrs. R.R. Taylor, P.A. Walmsley and from D. Cllr J. Savage.

85/10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

86/10 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minute 82/10 c should read 'still in line'.
With this amendment, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 29th June 2010 were approved.

Proposed: Mrs. B.K. Wallis

Seconded: D.D. Banfield

87/10 REPORTS ARISING

a. Drain Clearance

The drains on A4155 and other roads in the parish have still not been cleared.

b. Abbotsbrook Hall Floor

The new flooring is now laid.

c. Abbotsbrook Hall External Decoration

This is currently being done.

d. Play Area Damaged Swing Seat

This has now been replaced.

e. Future of our Village (FOOV)

Mrs. Morton attended this and her report appears later in these Minutes.

f. Marlow Museum Display

This is now open and runs until mid-September

88/10 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report for 1st – 30th June and 1st – 31st July 2010 was approved.

Total Expenditure (June) £6221.26

Total Income (June) £1730.00

Total Expenditure (July) £5440.83

Total Income (July) £8172.28

(The July Income includes the final payment of £5005.00 from Groundwork Herts in respect of the Chapel grant.)

Proposed: C.S. Innocent

Seconded: G.A. Fitchew

The Pre-Budget meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st September 2010 at 8pm at The Pavilion. All councillors are requested to attend.

89/10 PLANNING

Wycombe District Council Decisions

1. 10/05990/CTREE The Poplars, Farm Road
Tree works
Not to make a TPO
2. 10/06136/CTREE Orchard Cottage, The Avenue
Pollard 1 willow tree
Not to make TPO
3. 10/06302/CTREE Vine Leigh House, Marlow Road
Reduction of right limb of large ash tree
Not to make a TPO
4. 10/05843/FUL Priory Ford, The Avenue
Construction detached double garage/store/carport & wc
Application permitted
5. 10/05867/FUL Willow Cottage, Westhorpe
Construction of double garage
Application refused
6. 10/05902/FUL Pear Tree Cottage, Winchbottom Lane
Wooden balcony to first floor elevation
Application permitted

New Applications

1. 10/06717/CTREE 1, Manor Cottages, Church Road
Crown lift and crown thin one willow tree

- Comment: No objections
2. 10/06714/FUL Coldharbour Cottage, Winchbottom Lane
Roof extensions, increased ridge height etc.
Comment: needs site visit
 3. 10/06593/FUL Land adjacent Red House Farm, Handy Cross
Erection of grain store and concrete apron
Comment: needs site visit
 4. 10/06769/CLP Hillside House, 12, Abbey Road
Certificate of proposed lawfulness for construction single storey side extension
No comment required.
 5. 10/06776/FUL Storrs, Church Road
Listed building application for internal alterations including conversion of existing cellar.
Comment: No objections
 6. 10/06759/FUL Benedict House, Marlow Road
Construction detached double garage with bonus room over.
Comments: needs site visit
 7. 10/06759/FUL Fox Dell, The Close
Certificate of proposed Lawfulness for single storey games room
No comments required
 8. 10/067533/CTREE The Grove, Marlow Road
Tree works
Comment: requires site visit
 9. 10/06750/CTREE Quay House, Sailing Club Road
25% reduction to horse chestnut tree
Comments: requires site visit.

Other Planning

Our comments to the Wycombe Development Framework Site Allocation Plan were submitted.

90/10 ABBOTSBROOK HALL

The resident of the neighbouring property has asked if he may put trellis on top of the fence between his property and Abbotsbrook Hall. This is acceptable to the Parish Council.

91/10 PAVILION/RECREATION GROUND

a. Trees

Residents of School Lane are concerned that the lime trees on the southern boundary of the Recreation Ground may be unsafe. We will consider pollarding the trees, and also those on the school boundary, for next year's budget. We have a quote dated December 2009 for £640 per tree. The tree that dropped a large limb recently has been cut to low level and growth should appear again next year. It is suggested that at a later date, the tree be removed and a replacement planted.

b. Play Area Annual Inspection

The Play Area was satisfactorily inspected and the minor issues raised are being remedied. The broken swing seat has been replaced.

92/10 BURIAL GROUND

a. Heating

Two space heaters for the chapel will be purchased. Mr Banfield will source these.

b. Gates or Posts at Sheepridge Lane entrance to Path

It was agreed to replace the gate at the road end of the path with a wooden Aston 2-way gate. Installation will be recommended by Mr R. Boas. Once the measurements are confirmed the gate will be ordered.

c. Topographical Survey of Extension Area

A meeting of the sub-committee and Mr Banfield will decide exactly what is required in the short, medium and long term to bring the woodland area into use.

d. Chapel

Mr Innocent has obtained quotes for toilets, but grants have not yet been applied for. The siting of a toilet has not been agreed, but any extension to the chapel or separate building will be problematic for planning reasons and lack of ground space. The basis of the quotes received are for a toilet in the Vestry and this will be pursued further. Marking out the floor area will establish if the back door will remain accessible. Mr Innocent will circulate the floor plan and layout to councillors for consideration and this will be raised at the next Parish Council meeting.

93/10 TREE AUDIT

Mr Fitchew has had difficulty getting this done as contractors are unwilling to undertake these surveys. Mr Fitchew and Mr Mash will look at all the trees on Parish Council land together and where any give cause for concern they will bring in a professional arboriculturist for his opinion.

94/10 LITTLE MARLOW FETE

The Fete is on 30th August 2pm.

95/10 NEXT NEWSLETTER

The Autumn edition of the Parish Council Newsletter will be delivered mid-October. Items for inclusion are requested by end of September.

96/10 BCC RIGHTS OF WAY – PARISH SURVEY

A walking event will be arranged for late Autumn and the event publicised in the Newsletter.

97/10 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The meetings of the Parish Council will take place at The Pavilion on the following dates:

28th September, 2nd November, 14th December.

All meetings commence at 8pm.

98/10 REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Parish Council Notice Boards

Mr Mash reported that several of these need maintenance. He offered to repair the one at Westhorpe.

b. Rubbish at Westhorpe

Mr Mash reported that there is still a great deal of rubbish in the field that was occupied by the travellers last year and that there is a risk of fire.

c. Chepping Wye Valley LCP

Mrs Wallis and Mrs Barclay attended the recent meeting. The Sheepridge Lane path is due to be finished, but no final date had been given. The meeting received the petition from Little Marlow Residents' Association regarding the safety proposals for the A4155/A404 flyover and approaches. The full response will go to the next meeting of the CWVLCP on 19th October.

d. Best Kept Village Competition

Little Marlow received a Certificate of Merit in this year's competition. A vote of thanks was given to those people in the village who had worked hard to maintain standards.

e. The Bucks Debate

The local meeting for this is at Great Marlow School, Bobmore Lane on 3rd September at 7pm.

f. NAG

Mrs Morton sent a report to the meeting stating that she felt that attendance at the NAG meetings did not serve any purpose for Little Marlow as most matters applied only to Bourne End.

g. FOOV (Future of Our Village)

Mrs Morton attended the inaugural meeting of this group and reported that there was a lot of enthusiasm for it and funding can be accessed via the two County Councillors on the forum.

h. Marlow Society

Mrs Morton attended this meeting and reported issues raised that affect this locality.

i. Wycombe Community Stadium Project

The process for the draft assessment is underway by WDC. The potential sites will be considered after 6th September 2010 with the preferred option consulted on early 2011.

99/10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. W. Northcroft

Mr Northcroft asked if the TPO's on the Recreation Ground trees would affect any remedial works that might be considered.

Mr R. Boas

Mr Boas offered to visit the Sheepridge Lane entrance to the cemetery footpath with the sub-committee and Mr Banfield to consider the gate installation.

Chairman