LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY14TH JANUARY 2014.

Present: Councillors: D.D. Banfield, Chairman

G.A. Fitchew, Vice-Chairman

Mrs K.A. Acres 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 D. Cllrs. D. Johncock and D.Cllr. J. Savage and 2 members of the public.

01/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none

02/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none

03/14 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd December 2013 were approved:

Proposed: P.C. Emmett

Seconded: Mrs. V. Brownridge

04/14 REPORTS ARISING

a. CIL Funding

We have received a response from BCC on our query about the cycleway. We do not consider this is a priority but the footpath to the Three Horseshoes from Marlow Bottom on the C100 would be.

b. Coldmoorholm Lane signage

We have received a response from BCC regarding our request for a SLOW sign to be painted on the road near to the bends. BCC have replied that they do not consider it a dangerous area as there have been no collisions reported in the last 5 years.

05/14 FINANCE

a. Income and Expenditure Account for November and December 2013.

November

Income £3722.50 Expenditure: £6852.20

December

Income: £ 765.47 Expenditure: £4077.64

Proposed: Mrs R.R. Taylor Seconded: Mrs. B.K. Wallis

b. Precept Application

Our Precept for 2014/15 will be£40650.00. With the added sum for the Council Tax Support Grant, we will be requesting £41240.00

Proposed: G.A. Fitchew Seconded: H Midgley

And all in favour

06/14 PLANNING

a. Report

Wycombe District Council Decisions

1. 13/07870/CTREE Manorton, Church Road

Tree works to one Alder

Not to make TPO

2. 13/07830/AGI Land East of Burroughs Grove, Pump La\ne North Erection of steel framed agricultural building for crops and machinery store.

Details not required to be submitted

3. 13/07718/FUL 28, Wendover Road

Construction single storey front extension and rear extension and conversion of garage to living accommodation.

Application permitted

4. 13/07569/FUL Quoins, The Close

Construction of balcony to rear (part retrospective)

Application permitted

5. 13/07434/FUL Abbots Inch, The Avenue Construction part single, part two storey extensions Application permitted

New Applications

1. 13/08147/FUL Wood Barn Farmhouse, Pump Lane North

Insertion of roof lights and 3 windows in gable, and convert first floor area to living accommodation

Comment to be submitted

2. 13/07999/FUL West Acre, Chapman Lane

Construction single storey extension to existing garage to form summer room

Comment: No objection

3. 13/07069/FUL Bourne Court, Abbotsbrook construction of detached garage/store with ancillary accommodation to main dwelling

Comment: no objection

4. 14/05011/CTREE Fir Cottage, Marlow Road

Tree works

Comment to be submitted

5. 13/08124/FUL White Friars, Abbotsbrook

removal of existing conservatory to rear and garage to side, erection of part two storey/part single storey side & rear extension, 2 storey & single storey front extension with balcony at first floor front, replacement of roof & alterations to fenestration & creation of 2nd access to front

Comments to be submitted.

b. Other Planning

We are awaiting the outcome of the Lafarge inquiry.

Mrs Wallis has spoken to BCC Enforcement Officer re the land at Westhorpe. The imported materials are classed as engineering works and therefore any enforcement notice needs to come from WDC.

b. Neighbourhood Plan

Mrs Brownridge and Mrs Wallis are attending a meeting later this month.

07/14 ABBOTSBROOK HALL

a. Condition of Hall

A letter will be sent to the Pre-School to require that they clean up after every hiring session, especially the floor as a requirement of their rental agreement.

b. Locking of Gate

Mr Fitchew will arrange dates to undertake this. Those who have paid their car parking fee will be informed in advance.

08/14 BURIAL GROUND

The annual working party will be held on Saturday 22nd February at 10am. It will be advertised on the notice boards and website and in Target magazine.

The new area is now completed and the grass is growing.

We still need to do the planning application for the bell-mouth.

09/14 PAVILION/RECREATION GROUND

Mr Emmett and Mr Fitchew have looked at the hedge bordering Church Road and decided it could be cut back, but it would not be beneficial. However, the undergrowth on the path beneath should be cleared and a working party held to remove the ivy that is choking the hedge.

10/14 SPADE OAK CAR PARK

There was nothing further to report.

11/14 HS2 – BCC SUPPORT

As travel routes for construction traffic will affect this parish, it was agreed by all to support this.

12/14 UNOFFICIAL LORRY PARK AT WINCHBOTTOM LANE

We will ask the LCP to consider this for funding.

13/14 RIVER THAMES ALLIANCE

It was agreed to pledge £25. This will be reviewed annually

14/14 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Meetings of the Parish Council will be held at the Pavilion at 8pm on the following dates:

18th February, 1st April, 13th May. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at Abbotsbrook Hall at 8pm on Friday 9th May.

15/14 REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Bucks Health Trust

Mrs Brownridge attended the 'Big Conversation' event and gave a short report. The event comprised of discussions of issues and experiences and an information exchange.

b. New Electricity Transformer

Mr Mash reported that a new electricity transformer may be installed at the bottom of Pump Lane South to service the athletics track.

c. Bloom Wood

Thinning of the wood will start on 20th January 2014.

d. Thames Water Sewage Treatment Works

The Environment Agency are taking TW to court and have asked people to appear as witnesses.

The TWSTW site now has a new manager. Noise is becoming an issue. During the flooding, the EA visited to ensure the plant was still working lawfully.

e. Flooding

Although some properties were affected by the flood that had not been affected in previous floods, overall, the situation was not as bad as 2003. Photographs have been taken and the Emergency Planning officer at WDC has been given information. We still retain empty sand bags at the Pavilion.

f. Lighting on A404/A4155 junction

Several of the lights do not work. This has been reported to BCC before, but will be reported again.

g. Community Infrastructure Levy Seminar

This will be held on 29th January at 4pm at Merton College, Oxford.

h. WDALC

At the meeting held in December, Mr Banfield stood down as Chairman, and Mrs Barclay resigned as Training Officer.

16/14 CLOSURE OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a. D.Cllr J. Savage

Cllr Savage reported that the new waste system has caused various issues and complaints. Any problems should be reported on WDC website on the waste section. Cllr Savage attended a meeting with SERCO and all problems should be cleared up very soon.

b. D. Cllr D. Johncock

During February, leaflets about the new Local Plan will be delivered to all households. It will also be on the WDC website and contributions to the discussion are invited.

Chairman