



Hedgerley Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held on MONDAY 8th April 2013

In the Youth Club Hut, Hedgerley

Present – Cllr. Tom Webb (Chairman) (TW), Cllr. Derek Baker (Vice Chairman) (DB), Cllr. Ted Evans (TE), Cllr. Maurice Ridgeley (MER), Cllr Neil Coxhead (NC) and the Clerk

In attendance – Cllr Anita Cranmer (SBDC)(AC) and two members of the public

Chairman indicated emergency exits

Apologies for absence – Cllr Michael Rice (MJR), Cllr Peter Hardy (BCC)

1. **To approve Minutes of 11th March 2013**

Minutes were approved as a true record, and signed

2. **County Councillor**

Damage to vehicle by tree branch – do not know at this time if PH had met with the resident concerned in this matter.

4. **District Councillor**

AC said that they are not doing any pre-application. They can go ahead with their school for a year under 'change of use'. They have already got three grades signed up.

Dropmore Waste Transfer site – there had been a huge public meeting.

SBDC and Chiltern have merged at the top level. Going to see if they can merge further departments.

5. **County Council Matters**

- Kiln Lane flooding – TW said that the drain was not in the centre of the flooded area. It was agreed that a pipe was needed at that point. Still to arrange a meeting with Portman Burtley on this. AC gave the contact details of the Land Agent for Portman Burtley in order that TW could draft a letter for Clerk to send regarding arranging a meeting.
- Junction of Village Lane/ Hedgerley Lane – still awaiting news from Transport for Bucks.

6. **Clerk's information items**

- Request for tree trimming by resident – near Nursery Court, Andrew Hill Lane. Peter Harding had been to inspect and spoken with the resident. Peter didn't think there would be a problem about this and would arrange.
- MVAS – Fees had been sent off by HPC and Fulmer and we were awaiting further information. We need to confirm the frequency of moving the equipment and what timescale for each parish.
- Parking by shops – Police had been informed and both vehicles had since not been seen to be parked there. There have been two other vehicles parking there recently, but Nimesh Patel had given Clerk the contact number and she had spoken with the company, explaining the difficulties encountered by the Londis delivery lorries. Hopefully this problem has been rectified.
- Annual Parish Meeting – will be held on Monday 29th April
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7. **Finance**

- To note report – report was noted, cheques signed
- Leigh Electrical – NC and Clerk liaising on wording for new contract.

8. **Planning**

To approve report – DB detailed the latest information. We had received a flyer from Stoke Poges Parish Council as it was now known that Khailsa school was requesting permission to extend. He also told Members that he had written a response re. the Khailsa school, which Clerk had sent off.

9. **Property**

Kemsley Wood – holly clearance had been completed. Forestry Commission had approved a 50% grant towards half the cost of cutting the sharp stalks and longer debris left by the mulching machine. Ben Harris had tested the method of using a brush cutting blade, which Councillors and Peter Harding approved. There will be spraying for the next two years to prevent regrowth.

Kiln Wood – work continues. Had a request from a group of Coppice Way residents for permission to have a clear up of the brushwood remaining and a small bonfire. Ben Harris had indicated a preferred area for a bonfire, away from undergrowth and in a fairly clear area. Residents asked for permission to do this again in early May and possibly do this as an annual clear up. Councillors approved.

Glebe Field – nothing new to report

Skate ramp, tennis court – David Vincent asked about a skate ramp for the youngsters at the Youth Club. As had already been established from HPC's insurers, there were a lot of requirements regarding safety which no one (Youth Club or Scouts) was prepared to undertake. David suggested the possible use of the old tennis courts in Kemsley Wood. After some discussion, Councillors agreed that this could be utilised on the understanding that all the clearing up, equipping and control was under his guidance and would not involve the Parish Council, other than it retaining the ownership of the land.

10. **New Councillors** – Maddy Bushnell had resigned. The notice of casual vacancy had been put up and was due to expire on 29th April.

11. **Parish Plan** – the orchard had been planted, TW said he thought it looked very nice. Another P/Plan meeting due at the end of April. NC said the target to produce the first draft was not probably going to be met. Tim Hall has stood down as the Chairman of the steering group. NCV said there is going to be another village walk on 28th April, and there would be a break half way round.

12. **Meetings**

To report on – SB Partnership – Low carbon Chilterns CoOperative. Advice on heating systems specifically in older buildings. Crime was on the whole down; domestic violence was on the increase.

There was discussion on the consultation of the future of the partnership. Decision was to merge SBP with Chiltern. This to be tried out for twelve months.

Feedback from the 2011 census. An increase of 7.9 to 66867. Religions – Christian from 75.6 to 62.3; no religion 19.8. South Bucks had the second highest number of Sikh. Also the 7th highest for travellers.

To attend – nothing known at this time

13. **Date of next meeting** –

Monday 13th May, 2013 MEMORIAL HALL