



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting for Mattingley Parish Council

20 June 2016

Heckfield Hall, Heckfield 7.30pm.

Present:

Cllr Janice Hughes (JH)
Cllr David Sexton (DS)
Cllr Alan Woolford (AW)
Cllr Adam Knight (AK)
Cllr Bob Aylmer (BA)

Mr Ron Darley (RD) Parish Clerk

2 members of the public

Meeting chaired by Cllr Janice Hughes

REF	AGENDA ITEM	ACTION
16/80	Public Open Session: Messrs Colin Johnson and Chris Dyke attended the meeting to outline their proposals for the refurbishment and relocation of the red K6 telephone box owned by the Parish Council (MPC) (which weighs about 750kg). They confirmed: that they had established that there were no planning issues (covered under permitted development rights). They outlined the planned methodology of the project which involves (i) establishing whether there is still an electricity supply to the box in its current location, which will have to be made safe (ii) it is expected that 2 moves will be required - initially to the location of its refurbishment, involving sand blasting and application of undercoats and surface paint, and then to its new permanent location (when determined) (iii) it is intended that the box would be used as a local lending/exchange library. The cost of refurbishment/removal were estimated at between £850 and £1050. It is intended that an advert will be placed in the local newsletter seeking additional volunteers. The consensus of parish councillors present was in favour of the project. The Clerk was asked to follow up the issue of the electrical supply.	
16/81	Receive Police Report: no report received.	
16/82	Apologies were received from Cllr Keith Alderman & County Cllr David Simpson.	

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16/83	Declaration of interest in items on the Agenda: <i>Declaration by members of any personal prejudicial, pecuniary interests or non-personal interest in any Agenda item - there were none.</i>	
16/84	Confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16 May 2016. – the minutes were confirmed and approved. Proposed AK, Seconded BA, Signed JH.	
16/85	Outstanding Matters: an update on current outstanding matters is given in Appendix A to these Minutes.	
16/86	Council to note the publication of new salary scales for parish clerks for the next 2 years commencing on 1 April 2016 and 1 April 2017.	NOTED
16/87	Council to note that the Fixed Term Deposit will mature next month and to consider how it will be utilised. AW & the Clerk will discuss this as part of the review of the 2016/17 Budget.	NOTED AW/RD
16/88	Council to note that the Internal Audit has been completed and the Annual Return & associated papers have been submitted for external audit.	NOTED
16/89	Council to discuss the continued provision of refreshments at the Annual Parish Assembly. In the last two years the vast majority of the items bought for the event have not been used – with the result that the Clerk is left with supplies, which s/he did not want or need. It was agreed to discontinue the practice of providing refreshments at Annual Parish Assemblies.	
16/90	Council to consider and approve cheque payments: Current account balances as at 31 May 2016: £11,165.15. Cheques to approve retrospectively: None Cheques to approve and sign: CQ No 293: £24.00: Heckfield Hall: Hall hire: 16/5/2016. CQ No 294: £:259.46: R. Darley: June salary/allowance/arrears of pay rise. CQ No 295: £64.80: HMRC: PAYE June 2016 CQ No 296: £73.69: R. Darley: Expenses May/June. CQ No 297: £579.56: Came & Company: Insurance renewal 2016/2017 CQ No 298: £16.00: Charterlith (via Cllr Aylmer) CQ No 299: £528.00: Longdown Garden Services: strimming/ditch clearance	
16/91	Council to consider new planning applications & note decisions: (i)The following New Applications were noted and no comments were offered: 16/00636/CA: Thistledown Hazeley Heath Removal of Leylandi hedge and removal of dead/dying trees in copse. 1601264/HOU: Stevens Farm Hazeley Lea Demolition of conservatory to rear and replacement with new timber framed conservatory. 1601265/LBC: Stevens Farm Hazeley Lea Demolition of conservatory to rear and replacement with new timber framed conservatory. 16/01305/HOU: Glenavon Hazeley Heath: Proposed replacement of existing log store outbuilding to provide a hobbies room outbuilding.	

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	<p>16/01339/CA: Kale House Reading Road Mattingley: The trees in question are on Kale House land and pose a risk to our property. When planted the 'trees' were only intended to remain as bushes to provide foliage / decoration for the original owners florist shop. They were planted just 20 years ago. However, due to a lack of maintenance to retain them as shrubs, they are now over 60' tall. The following is taken from the arborologists report into the trees: "Eucalyptus are fast growing evergreen trees which characteristically have long slender limbs with heavy foliage at the ends. They are a non-native species and are not in keeping with the other trees growing in this part of the conservation area which are predominantly Oak and Pine. This particular group is in open land and is therefore exposed to prevailing winds. The group which requires work consists of eight trees, all of similar age and size. They have been planted in very close proximity to one another resulting in high competition for light. This has created unusually tall thin trees in the centre of the row. The two trees at the ends of the row have grown outwards, away from the other trees to find light." The two that have grown outwards have done so over our property and in the case of one is now at an angle of less than 45 degrees. The recommendation of the arborologist is for immediate attention to three trees but the report recognises that work to the three trees would undermine the security of the other five trees and we therefore seek permission to remove all 8 eucalyptus trees and render regrowth impossible.</p> <p>(ii) The following Decisions were noted:</p> <p>15/02794/ FUL: Feldgate Hazeley Lea: Installation of a horse walker. GRANT.</p> <p>15/02899/FUL: Wedgewood Farm Kennels Wedgewood Farm Hazeley Heath Erection of new stables block with enlarged stable yard following demolition of existing dog boarding kennels. GRANT</p> <p>16/00179/HOU: Remove existing and rear balcony and first floor accommodation.ng attached garage and link, raise roof and provide two storey side extension, front porch. GRANT.</p> <p>16/00348/HOU 5 Council Houses Reading Road Mattingley Installation of air source heat pump to rear elevation of existing dwelling (Retrospective).Grant.</p> <p>16/00494/PREAPP: White Ladies Hazeley Bottom: Pre-application advice for proposed replacement dwelling at White Ladies. Opinion issued.</p>	
16/92	<p>KW reported that the electricity company have agreed to undertake a substantial tree cutting programme on Hound Green, involving nearly 100 personnel over 1 or 2 days.</p>	
	<p>JH had received a request for grant support for a library project at Whitewater School. Members were in favour of the grant of £138 which will be ratified at the July meeting. RD to contact WSPTA.</p>	RD

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16/93	Matters Arising from Council Meeting 16 May 2016: updates were given during the meeting. The current state of play is recorded in the Appendix to these minutes.	

Meeting closed 9.00 pm

Next MPC Meeting: 18 July 2016 – 7.30pm at Heckfield Hall,

Signed.....

Chairman

Date.....

**Appendix to Minutes of
Mattingley Parish Council
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Outstanding Matters:	
Glebe Wood lease documents. KA reported that confirmation of approval draft lease would be received shortly from the local solicitor.	KA
Installation of dragons' teeth: AK reported that preparation of the dragon's teeth for installation is practically complete	AK
Contact with Robert Thain regarding HARAHA & site choice: AK to report: No progress.	KA
The future of the red K6 telephone box. Covered in detail under Open Forum.	RD
Hound Green furniture and bird/bat boxes. Arrangements are progressing for the installation of the furniture etc and for memorial plaque to JWH to be affixed.	RD
Litter bins: A letter with full details of proposed siting of the litter bins has been passed to Hart officials. D.Cllr Anne Crampton undertook to follow this up.	AC/RD
Compensation for telephone poles on the village green, Hound Green. The claim made against SSE is likely to take over a year to settlement.	RD
Hound Green: provision of bridge(s) over the ditch: the contractor had asked for clarification of the requirement. Only one needed as access from the Hound Green Close end will be over the existing concrete structure.	AW/BA
Provision of a spreadsheet to monitor progress against target dates on projects/action items agreed by MPC. A spreadsheet has been drafted, and is being simplified/shortened.	RD
Contingency plan to cover the eventuality of a Clerk's departure A draft has been completed. The Clerk undertook to circulate to all Members.	RD
Memorial plaque to the former Clerk. Covered under Hound Green above.	Delete
Sale of Land at Hound Green: The purchasers have suggested a completion date of 27 June. MPC has no objection.	RD
Parking problems at Hazeley Bottom: Photographs supplied by DS. RD to write to RSPB regarding the unsightly parking and asking whether the existing length of white posts could be increased to prevent it. Action pending.	RD
Broadband Speed: KA/AK to provide any update.	Delete
Transfer of bank account & electronic banking. Action to be taken asap.	RD
The Lengthsman Scheme: MPC appears to be in the Yateley PC "Lengthsman cluster." Clerk to contact Yateley and establish the way forward.	

Cutting of footpaths around West End Farm: Action complete.	RD
Horses using footpaths: Standard notices have been received and will be displayed at appropriate locations.	Delete
Private Road Improvement: KA had reported that contributions had been sought from residents towards the cost of scalplings being laid on the private road alongside Hound Green past The Lanterns - one response outstanding.	Delete
Ditch Clearing along Vicarage Lane: Work complete.	KA/AW
The General State of Hound Green: Paul Howe has been asked to meet members. The effect of the ditch clearance and the mole catcher have improved the situation somewhat.	Delete
KW reported that the electricity company will be undertaking a substantial programme of tree cutting, with almost 100 workers to achieve completion within 1 or 2 days. A plan of the works will be brought to the next MPC meeting.	RD
HCC Review of Household Waste Sites: The agreed response to a Consultation Questionnaire relating to prospective closure of some household recycling has been sent.	KW
Budget Review: budget to be reviewed and input additional expenditures agreed at May meeting for presentation at the June meeting. RD undertook to do the preparatory work and meet with AW.	Delete.
	RD/AW