

LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 30TH JUNE 2009.

Present: Councillors: D.D. Banfield, Chairman
G.A. Fitchew, Vice-Chairman
P.C. Emmett
R. Mash
Mrs. V.A. Morton
Mrs. R.R. Taylor
Mrs. B.K. Wallis
P.A. Walmsley

Mrs. G.J. Barclay, Clerk

70/09 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from C.S. Innocent and D. Cllr. J. Savage

71/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Banfield declared an interest for Agenda item 6 (i) Planning – Old Thatch
Mrs Taylor declared an interest for Agenda item 6 (i) Planning – 7A
Winchbottom Lane.

72/09 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 19th May 2009 were approved with an alteration to Minute 65/09 Town Bus to read ‘ try to arrange a meeting’

Proposed: Mrs. B.K. Wallis

Seconded: G.A. Fitchew

73/09 REPORTS ARISING

a. Kings Head Car Park

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the management company as no action has been taken.

b. Sign Cleaning

This has been undertaken by the contractors. They have supplied a list of repairs that need doing.

c. Thameside Preservation Trust

A letter regarding the shoring of the bank has been sent to Buckinghamshire County Council.

d. Town Bus

Mrs Wallis has spoken to BCC and a meeting of all partners is to be arranged. There is no money available to subsidise any routes, but following Mr Harwood's enquiry at the Annual Parish Meeting, it may be possible to suggest an extension of the route along the A4155 to the bus company.

74/09 FINANCE

The Income and Expenditure Account for the period 1st to 30th April 2009 and 1st to 31st May 2009 were approved.

Total Income: £25830.14 (includes half precept £19897.00)
Total Expenditure: £11520.45

Proposed: Mrs. R. R. Taylor

Seconded: R. Mash

75/09 PLANNING

(i) Planning Report

Wycombe District Council Decisions

1. 09/05836/CTREE Land adjacent White Barns, Sailing Club Road
Tree works
Not to make a TPO
2. 09/05724/CTREE Ivybridge, The Drive
Tree works
Not to make a TPO
3. 09/05722/CTREE Streamside, The Drive
Tree works
Not to make a TPO
4. 09/05714/FUL Green Hurst, Fern Lane
Replacement of outbuildings with construction of detached garage.
Application Permitted
5. 09/05700/LBC Clarence Cottage, Marlow Road
Listed building consent to insert roof lights and internal alterations
Application Permitted
6. 09/05705/CLP Pear Tree Cottage, Winchbottom Lane
Infilling of existing porch to extend kitchen area
Grant Certificate of Proposed Use
7. 09/05625/FUL Birchwood Cottage, Chapman Lane
Construction of 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension
Application Permitted
8. 09/05622/CTREE Winterholme, The Drive
Tree Works
Not to make TPO
9. 09/05123/FUL Nissen Huts, Pump Lane North

Demolition of existing huts and erection of stables
Application Permitted

New Applications

1. 09/05837/FUL 7A Winchbottom Lane
Loft conversion incorporating front and rear dormer windows
Comment: design comments and concern over 50% rule
Note: This application was permitted by WDC 30/6/09
2. 09/05972/CTREE Phaethon, The Avenue
Tree works
Comment: No objections
3. 09/06007/CTREE The Sanctuary, Sailing Club Road
Tree Works
Comment: No objections
4. 09/06048/FUL The Sanctuary, Sailing Club Road
Construction single storey front/side extension
Comment: No objections
5. 09/06060/CTREE Willow Brook, Lockbridge Road
Fell 1 Horse Chestnut
Comment: No objections
6. 09/06138/FUL Aspenden, The Avenue
Construction of first floor side extension
needs site visit
7. 09/06182/FUL Old Thatch, Coldmoorholm Lane
Change of use to allow gardens to be opened to the public for 48 days of the year
(repeat of permitted application)
Residents are concerned that private visits do not form part of the permitted opening agreement.

(ii) Consultation – Delivery and Site Applications Development Plan Document

Mrs Wallis and Mr Mash will attend the M40 Gateway event on 13th July. Mrs Wallis will also attend the Sustainability session on 16th July. The issues will be discussed by the Parish Council at a later meeting.

(iii) Other Planning

The following information sheets are held in the office:
‘Revised Planning Applications Consultation Arrangements’
‘Development Control Performance’
‘Amendments to Householder Permitted Development’

76/09 ABBOTSBROOK HALL

a. Fencing and Outside Area

Mr Banfield and Mr Fitchew met with the Abbotsbrook Pre-School principal to discuss her plans for fencing in the outside area. Depending on the funding she obtains, this may continue along the car park side of the grassed area. We need to know her exact intentions before this can be progressed.

b. Car Park

Mr Banfield has drafted a letter to the residents of Well End Cottages and the other permit holder, to outline alternatives and proposals for works and scale of licence fee. This will be sent to these users once approved.

77/09 PAVILION/RECREATION GROUND

a. Play Area Inspection Report

The report of the inspection undertaken on 7th May 2009 has been received and found to be satisfactory. The swings are in need of repainting and quotes will be sought. A prominent tree root was mentioned in the report, but is not considered to be of major concern, but will be monitored during the regular risk assessments.

b. Usage of Recreation Ground

Concern continues over the increased usage of the Recreation Ground by extra sessions. Mr Banfield has looked at the Little Marlow Cricket Club's agreement with the Parish Council and found that although the use of the Pavilion is specified, the use of the field is not, therefore the current agreement cannot restrict its use. At the end of the 2009 season, it will be necessary to review the agreement. LMCC will be advised by letter that this will happen.

c. Drains

The external drains need attention. Mr Emmett will arrange for them to be jettied.

78/09 BURIAL GROUND

a. Grant Funding

We are very pleased to have received confirmation of a grant of £8784.00 from the Landfill Communities Fund to re-connect electricity to the Chapel and undertake redecoration of the interior and exterior of the building. The contractors have been asked to re-submit their quotes and once received, work can commence

b. Seats in Wildlife Area

The seats in the wildlife area are to be renewed. The working party on 28th May was a great success and Mrs Wallis extended thanks to those who took part.

79/09 LITTLE MARLOW FETE

The Parish Council will again have a stand at the fete. We will display recent works such as the Spade Oak Lake signage, Abbotsbrook Hall refurbishment, Devolved Powers and Chapel works.

80/09 TEMPORARY SIGNAGE POLICY

Temporary signage approved by the Parish Council may be placed 2 weeks before the event and must be removed by one week after.

Charity and School events will not require permission. All commercial signage and will not be granted permission and will be removed.

Proposed: P.C. Emmett

Seconded: R. Mash

81/09 FREE PARKING DAYS IN MARLOW

Marlow Town Council has invited us to comment on their chosen free parking days. These are to be 11th July, 9th December and 16th December. Little Marlow Parish Council agree with these dates.

82/09 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

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

11th August, 15th September, 20th October, 8th December.

All meetings commence at 8pm.

83/09 REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Travellers encamped at Westhorpe

Mr Firkin of NWE has spoken to Mr Mash and has confirmed that the situation will be dealt with as required. Mr Mash has asked NWE to notify him when notice is given.

b. Provision for Gypsies, Travellers and Showpeople – Recommendations for New Policy H7

Our comments were sent earlier in the year, but do not seem to have been taken into consideration and the report appears to be biased.

c. Gate at Westhorpe to A4155/A404 roundabout

This needs fixing. As it belongs to BCC, they will be informed.

d. NAG

Mrs Morton will raise the issue of the Travellers at the forthcoming NAG meeting.

e. A404 Marlow Bypass

Mrs Morton reported that the issue of planting a screen along the A404 Marlow Bypass had been raised at the Marlow Society meeting. Increased traffic on this stretch of road is mentioned in the ‘Strategy for the Future’

document. Some sort of noise barrier should be considered whether it be planting or fencing.

f. Spade Oak Information Boards

These have now been installed at Spade Oak Lake. Mr Fitchew thanked Mr Boas for his help. An official 'opening' will be arranged with those who have contributed financially to the boards.

g. Spade Oak Quarry Liaison Meeting

Mr Fitchew and Mr Walmsley attended the recent meeting. Works at the site are on schedule. The matter of dog fouling on the footpaths was raised. It is believed that gravel from Harleyford are already being imported to the site.

h. WDALC

Mr. Banfield, Mrs Wallis and Mrs Barclay attended the recent meeting. Alistair Nicholson from WDC gave a talk on changes to planning. The issues between the three levels of government and Pathfinder have been realised. There is now a new chief executive at BALC.

i. Rural Forum

Mrs Wallis and Mr Emmett attended the visit to Handy Cross Farm.

84/09 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Northcroft

Mr Northcroft asked that the Little Marlow Residents Association be informed regarding an agreement between the travellers and NEW.

Chairman