

LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST 2011.

Present: Councillors: D.D. Banfield, Chairman
G.A. Fitchew, Vice-Chairman
P.C. Emmett
R. Mash
H. Midgley
Mrs B.K. Wallis

Mrs G.J. Barclay, Clerk

Also present were D. Cllr. D. Johncock and one member of the public.

78/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Mrs V. Brownridge, C.S. Innocent, Mrs R.R. Taylor and C.Cllr. M. Appleyard.

79/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Fitchew declared an interest for Agenda item 6 (i) Planning. 'The Studio' Abbotsbrook and 'Tythe Barn', Abbotsbrook
Mrs Wallis declared an interest for Agenda item 6 (i) Planning, 'The Ferns', Fern Lane.

80/11 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st June 2011 were approved.

Proposed: P.C. Emmett

Seconded: H.Midgley

81/11 REPORTS ARISING

a. Manhole Cover at Abbotsbrook Hall

This has still to be replaced.

b. Burial Ground Sign

We need to make a site visit to establish area of verge that is not in our ownership.

c. Grit Bin

The order has been placed with BCC.

d. Website Review

Mr Midgley has looked at this and considers our current provider and costs to be reasonable. He will look further into the alternate tariffs offered and report to the next Parish Council meeting.

e. Pot Hole in Church Road

This has been repaired by BCC.

82/11 FINANCE

a. Financial Report

The Income and Expenditure account for the period 1st – 30th June 2011 was approved.

Income: £2591.48

Expenditure: £3530.31

Proposed: G.A. Fitchew

Seconded: Mrs. B.K. Wallis

b. Pre-Budget Meeting

This will take place at the Pavilion on Tuesday 27th September 2011 at 7.30pm.

83/11 PLANNING

Wycombe District Council Decisions.

1. 11/06306/CTREE Briar Hedge, The Drive
Tree works
Not to make TPO
2. 11/06241/TPO April Cottage, The Avenue
Fell one ash tree
Not to make TPO
3. 11/05970/FUL The Limes, Fern Lane
Two storey side extension
Application permitted
4. 11/05626/FUL Wyevale Garden Centre
Various
Application permitted
5. 11/06342/MINAMD Birchwood Cottage, Chapman Lane
Non material amendments to permission granted under 09/05625/FUL
Application permitted

New Applications

1. 11/06712/CTREE 1, The Abbey, Abbotsbrook
Tree works
Comments: site visit required.
2. 11/06701/CTREE Little Mell, Abbotsbrook
Tree works

- Comment: No objection
3. 11/06626/FUL The Studio, The Drive
Single storey front, side and rear extensions and alterations to existing studio accommodation.
Comment: site visit required.
 4. 11/06494/FUL Underidge, Chapman Lane
Two storey side and rear extension
Comment: No objection
 5. 11/06470/FUL Priory Ford, The Avenue, Abbotsbrook
Use of first floor of garage building as accommodation (retrospective)
Comment: We are concerned that the garage can be used as living accommodation. This application is very similar to application 05/06760/FUL which was withdrawn, presumably because it was not deemed to be appropriate in the Abbotsbrook Conservation Area.
 6. 11/06467/FUL The Ferns, Fern Lane
Construction of side and rear extensions and demolition of detached garage.
Comment: Application withdrawn.
 7. 11/06761/TPO Santerella, Abbotsbrook
Tree works
site visit required
 8. 11/06803/ CTREE Tythe Barn, Abbotsbrook
Fell one tree
site visit required
 9. 11/06784/FUL The Millstone, Marlow Road
Single storey infill extension to rear and side extension.
Site visit required

Other Planning

We would like to make comments on the Supplementary Planning Guidance Notes, Community Facilities. Mrs Wallis will draft a response for approval. Comments are required by 18th August 2011.

Neighbourhood Plans

Mrs Wallis and Mr Midgley attended the WDC event on this subject and found it informative.

84/11 ABBOTSBROOK HALL

A schedule for re-decoration works has been drawn up One quotation has been received and Mr Banfield will meet another on site.

85/11 PAVILION/RECREATION GROUND

a. Play Area Inspection Report

The ROSPAS Annual Inspection Report has been received.

b. Repairs

The new swing seat is in place and the works to the Duenna Hi-Line and the replacement matter under the swing bay is scheduled for 23rd August 2011.

c. Wedding Reception hire

The sub-committee will meet to discuss the hiring agreement. The charges for the hire are still to be considered.

d. Floor

The floor in the main hall needs attention and may need replacing. Costs and surfaces will be considered and proposals made for 2012/13 budget.

86/11 BURIAL GROUND

We have heard nothing further from the owner who wishes to sell back unused grave spaces.

87/11 LITTLE MARLOW FETE

A rota will be drawn up for helpers on the Parish Council's stand.

88/11 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY REVIEW FOR BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

We have no comments to make on the proposals.

89/11 RISK ASSESSMENT POLICY REVIEW

This was deferred to the next Parish Council meeting.

90/11 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Meetings of the Parish Council will take place at the Pavilion, commencing at 8pm, on the following dates, 13th September, 25th October and 6th December.

91/11 REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee

Mr Midgley asked that consideration be given to how we might commemorate the Jubilee in 2012. A suggestion of planting trees was made.

b. Winchbottom Lane

Mr Mash reported that some remedial road works had been carried out by BCC in Winchbottom Lane.

c. Wycombe Planning Forum

Mr Midgley and Mrs Wallis attended this event at WDC on 30th June.

d. Buckingham Palace Garden Party

Mrs Wallis attended this on 29th June with her son, Humphrey, and thanked the council for nominating her.

e. Chepping Wye Valley Local Community Partnership

Mrs Wallis attended this on 27th July and gave a report.

e. Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition.

Little Marlow was judged Runner-Up in the Gurney Cup and Best Runner-Up in the competition. We are therefore awarded the Dashwood Trophy and this will be presented by Richard Pushman, Chairman of the competition at our September Parish Council meeting.

f. Police Have Your Say Meeting

The next meeting is on Friday 12th September at the Recreation Ground from 7pm – 7.30pm.

92/11 THE MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a. William Northcroft

Mr. Northcroft drew attention to the poor condition of the pavement outside The Old Cottage, Church Road where a root is causing a trip hazard. This will be reported to BCC.

b. Lafarge Drive

Wayne Dumelow has reported that pedestrians are using their driveway which is dangerous due to lorry movements.

It was pointed out that the gates are always left open and on occasions, vehicles have used this driveway as away into the village.

c. D. Cllr. D. Johncock

Cllr Johncock drew attention to the Community Facility Strategy

d. Car Parking in Little Marlow Village

Attention was drawn to the poor parking of vehicles during a recent church service. Inconsiderate parking could be an issue if access was required by emergency vehicles.

Chairman