

LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH JUNE 2012.

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

Mrs. G.J. Barclay, Clerk

Also present were D. Cllr. J. Savage, D. Cllr. D. Johncock and seven members of the public.

59/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

60/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs Taylor declared an interest for Planning (Running Track proposals).

61/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday 15th May 2012 were approved:

Proposed: C.S. Innocent

Seconded: Mrs. R.R. Taylor

62/12 REPORTS ARISING

a. Recreation Ground Treatment

The second treatment has not yet been applied.

b. Neighbourhood Plan Meeting

The initial meeting was held on 22nd May 2012.

c. Abbotsbrook hall Working Party

This will take place once the pre-school term is finished.

d. Recreation Ground Tree Works

The works to re-shape the trees has started but has been hampered by poor weather conditions. The works to the trees adjacent to the school have been re-scheduled for after the end of the school term.

e. Glass Window Guard at the Chapel

The order has been placed but no date for installation has yet been given.

f. Tree Screen at Thames Water Sewage Works

C.Cllr David Watson is pursuing this matter. A letter has been sent to the company by the Parish Council, but no response has yet been received.

g. Coldmoorholm Lane Car Park

We have had a response from BCC that the matter is being considered and we should have further information by mid-September.

Mr Midgley advised the Council that Spade Oak Farm Residents Association have shown an interest in taking on this site.

h. Sheepridge Lane Accident Rate

We have asked BCC to give this consideration and also for the issue to be raised at the next Local Area Forum.

i. Emergency Plan Meeting

This will be on Tuesday 3rd July at 7.30pm at The Pavilion.

j. Apologies for Absence at the Last Meeting

Mr Midgley asked that his apologies for absence be recorded for the last meeting as he tendered his apologies but they were not minuted.

k. Spade Oak Quarry

The Parish Councils objection to the extension to the Planning permission was sent to both BCC and WDC.

63/12 FINANCE

The Income and Expenditure Account for the period 1st – 31st May 2012 was approved.

Income: £ 852.33

Expenditure: £5758.59

Proposed: G.A. Fitchew

Seconded: P.C. Emmett

The Internal Audit took place on 22nd May 2012.

64/12 PLANNING

a. Planning Report Wycombe District Council Decisions

1. 12/05669/FUL Wyevale Garden Centre
Erection of Portacabin
Application permitted
2. 12/05780/CTREE Well End Farm
Reduce crown to 1 Horse Chestnut
Not to make a TPO
3. 12/05873/CTREE 18, Oakfield Road
Fell 1 Silver Birch tree
Not to make a TPO
4. 12/05944/TPO Willow Hedge, The Avenue
Crown thin canopy 1 Hornbeam tree
Application permitted
5. 12/05973/CTREE 2, Well End Cottages
Works to 1 Lime tree
Not to make a TPO
6. 12/05669/LBC Old Barn Cottage, Church Road
Conversion of open section into habitable space, provide link etc.
Application permitted

New Applications

1. 12/06293/FUL 8. Elm Lane
Part two storey, part single storey extension etc
Requires site visit
2. 12/06288/CLP Wilton Farmhouse, Marlow Road
Construction of two storey rear extension
No comment required
3. 12/06297/FUL Hurstfield, The Drive
Construction 2 storey front extension and front porch
Requires site visit
4. 12/06258/FUL Hay Barn, Woodbarn Farm, Pump Lane North
Insertion of 6 roof lights to cart shed garage to make habitable room.
Requires site visit

b. Other Planning

Running Track

The Public Exhibition will take place at the Function Room at the Kings Head, Little Marlow on Thursday 14th June 4pm – 8pm and Friday 15th June 12midday – 5pm.

Mr Emmett was concerned that the promise of improvements to the Country Park should be treated cautiously.

The area suggested in the SPG for the running track is near to Crowne Plaza but the owners of this land would not been willing to sell it for this purpose. At present, this is only at the proposal stage, but if a planning application is put in for, the Parish Council will give it full consideration.

Wycombe Delivery and Site Allocation Plan

The copy of this publication is in the Parish Council office. We made our representations at an earlier stage and do not therefore need to complete the Representation forms.

Daws Hill Development Brief Meeting

Mrs Wallis will attend the meeting on 13th June.

c. Neighbourhood Plan

The decision of the meeting held on 22nd May was that we should move ahead with the Gravel Pits Area and get the Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) upgraded to a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). We will need to go through the process of consulting on the plans. Mrs Wallis suggested a 'Getting Started' day conference which will need a minimum of 30 people to attend. Mrs Wallis will speak to David Dewar at WDC and will ask him how to proceed. NALC/CPRE will run the conference, but costs will be incurred, so this needs to be considered.

65/12 REPLACEMENT NOTICE BOARD AT WESTHORPE PARK

It was agreed to replace the notice board at this site. A budget of £800 was put aside last year. Mr Mash offered to fix the board to the wall when it is received.

Proposed: Mrs. R.R. Taylor

Seconded: R. Mash

66/12 EMPLOYMENT LAW

We need to set up a sub-committee to look at Employment and HR. We will adopt the proposed policy as a first step and then consider how to link our current contracts in with the new policies.

It was agreed that a 'whistle-blowing' policy was needed.

Proposed: G.A. Fitchew

Seconded: R. Mash

67/12 EMERGENCY PLAN

The meeting to review and up-date the Emergency Plan will be held on Tuesday 3rd July at 7.30pm at The Pavilion. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

68/12 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The meetings of the Parish Council will take place at The Pavilion at 8pm on the following dates:

7th August, 11th September, 30th October, 4th December.

Please be aware that the October meeting date has changed.

69/12 REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Drainage Slips

Mr Mash reported that the drainage slips at the bottom of Pump Lane South are not effective as the ditch into which they feed is blocked.

b. Turning to Westhorpe Park

The grass at this junction needs cutting.

c. Drains on A4155

Despite the pumping out by BCC, the drains by the Farm shop and opposite Lafarge are still blocked.

d. Spade Oak Liaison Meeting

Mr Fitchew and Mrs Barclay attended the meeting on 6th June. Lafarge and BCC explained the reason for the time extension to their planning permission is due to the Harleyford works. Rebecca Williams from BCC who was present said that approval for the Country Park does not appear in their records.

e. Burial Ground

The new fence has been installed. The bench to the memory of Wilfred King is also being installed by the Amenities Committee.

f. The Marlow Society

They are changing their meetings to Monday afternoons, which will make it difficult for Mrs Taylor to attend. We should still keep contact with them and receive an agenda, at which point it can be decided whether someone needs to attend.

g. Marlow Museum AGM

This will be held at The Garden Room. Liston Hall at 7.30pm on 15th June.

h. Bucks Art Week

The exhibition will be held at the Chapel 16th – 24th June from 11am to 4pm daily.

70/12 CLOSURE OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a. D. Cllr John Savage and D. Cllr D. Johncock.

With reference to the Running Track proposals, the District Councillors explained that the 'Buckmaster' site can only accommodate 6 lanes whereas the proposals for Little Marlow are for 8 tracks. The initiative for the search for a new site has come from the two running clubs.

b. Ward Budgets

Small grants are available from the District Councillors' Ward Budgets if there are any projects for consideration for funding.

c. Fly-Tipping in Coldmoorholm Lane

This has been reported.

d. William Northcroft.

Mr Northcroft reported that the setts at The Triangle had still not been re-set.

Chairman