

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY
9th MARCH 2017 AT 8.00 PM IN THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE

ATTENDANCE:

Cllrs Mrs V. Smith, Mr N Harris, Mr S Cope, Mrs K. Cheshire, Mr N. Timberlake, Mr R. Seymour,
Mr P. Brown Mrs S. Henson – Clerk

APOLOGIES: Dist Cllr Mrs Teesdale, District Cllr Mr I. McEnnis, County Cllr Mr D Hayday

0 members of the public

DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS BY MEMBERS RELATING
TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

None declared.

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING

These were agreed by those Councillors present and signed by the Chairman.

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS IN THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. Letter issued to all residents of Rosemary Close advising them of the date of the work. One resident raised concerns over felling one of the conifers. The tree surgeons stated that two dead limbs would have to be removed and the height of the tree would need to be considerably reduced to make it safe it was therefore agreed to continue with the proposed felling and long term replace the tree.
2. Clerk is working through the allotment waiting list to find a tenant for the one empty plot – we will soon have another plot vacated.
3. Four graves need to be levelled – Clerk has asked Lawrence Landscapes to do this.
4. The Handyman has given a price of £200 for a days labour to carry out the work on the Pedestal Play equipment to comply with the inspection report.
5. Clerk has had further communication with a contractor who can carry out weed spraying on the highway – no price to date

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

237.1 Correspondence Received from 9th February – 9th March 2017

1. Emails from a High Street resident about waste collection and deliveries.
2. WDC Invitation to Modernising Local Government sessions on Wednesday 22nd February, 7-8.30pm, Tuesday 28th February, 7 -8.30pm, Wednesday 8th March, 7-8.30pm - forwarded
3. Emails with WDC and local resident about the water leak near the public toilets
4. My Bucks Newsletter
5. Chiltern Society Newsletter
6. Chilterns Conservation Board Newsletter
7. Confirmation that the tree works in Rosemary Close will take place on 10th March – letter to residents produced to advise them of the date.
8. Thank you letter and update on the Community Cop Card scheme and a request for suggested areas for litter picking for the Year 6 Children at the school. Clerk responded and asked TVP to contact Neil Harris as the suggested areas are on NT land.
9. Request from Chilterns Woodland Project to include their information on the website – link has been put under Visitor Information.
10. BCC Notification of overnight road closures on the Bradenham Road for three weekends from 19th March 23.00 hrs to 5.00hrs. Letters will be delivered to householders two weeks before the start of the work by Network Rail. Clerk has asked BCC to pass on a request that Network Rail ensure that they clear up the rubbish created by workers. Forwarded to Councillors and on website.
11. LAF agenda for 28th February – Chairman and Clerk attended and answered questions re the Chorley Road speed petition – see enclosed BCC report.
12. Statistics from the Speedwatch carried out in 2016/2017.
13. Meeting on 30th March at Longburrow Hall with HS2 update plus latest information – forwarded to Councillors.

14. Information about the Government's Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme – forwarded to Councillors, on Noticeboards and website.
15. National Plant Monitoring Scheme – request for volunteers – on website
16. Email from a parent complaining about the dog mess in the Pedestal Playing Field and stating she would prefer to drive to the Piddington Play Area
17. Website Monthly Report – February – forwarded
18. NALC notification that the S137 rate has been increased to £7.57
19. BCC End of Year pension forms to complete
20. Notification that the piece of land in Rosemary Close whose ownership was questioned has now been confirmed as being owned by WDC.
21. Email from a resident of the High Street about a car parked on the pavement.
22. Rural Forum Agenda – 16th March at 5pm
23. WDALC agenda – 23rd March
24. Chairman's Reception – April
25. NAG on 14th March

237.2 Planning

Applications

17/05262/FUL -6 Chapel Lane High Wycombe-Householder application for construction of single storey side extension – no objection.

17/05147/FUL -2 Chorley Road West Wycombe -Householder application for construction of 1 x detached shed and 1 x detached hobby room – the plan of the existing house is inaccurate and does not show the full extent of the property which therefore has implications for these extra buildings. They are rather large and imposing and local people do not remember there ever being any buildings to the rear. They will have a detrimental impact on the garden of the adjoining properties and will be highly visible from the footpaths on the National Trust land to the rear of the property.

237.3 To consider banning dogs on the Pedestal Playing Field

We have only ever received two complaints about dog fouling and we have always wanted people to be able to bring their dogs as part of their family activities. We have not received any complaints from the football club and our regular inspection of the Pedestal Playing Field would confirm that it is not a major issue. It was therefore resolved not to implement a ban at the current time and to regularly review it.

237.4 To report and consider any Highways issues including the Chorley Road speed reduction petition presented to Bucks County Council; replacement bollards at Copperfields junction

Bucks CC created a report on the Chorley Road speed reduction and made recommendations for actions the Parish Council could take, however, the Parish Council have already ordered a Speed Indicator device (SID) and regularly hold Speedwatch sessions in conjunction with Thames Valley Police. Statistics could be gathered once the SID is installed. We have asked for a ball park figure for installing a chicane as the Parish Council would have to contribute 50% of the overall cost which could be prohibitive.

The original bollards were installed and the majority of funding came through the LAF. The cost of each bollard is £120 and the Parish Council would have to pay for their replacement. Clerk has asked Transport for Bucks if their 'demolition' was part of a road accident then surely an insurance claim would have been made and the bollards could be replaced with that money. To date we have not received a reply to this question.

237.5 To approve the accounts for March 2017 and signing of cheques - appendix 2

It was resolved to approve the accounts. See list at the end of the Minutes.

237.6 Members questions

It was agreed to organise another litter pick for the 13th May.
The Events Team have planned a beacon for 9th June.

237.7 Date of next meeting: Thursday 6th April at 8.00pm in The Church Room.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm

Cheques to be paid in March

BT dd	123.94	Phone (23 rd February)
Mrs S Henson	509.50	February salary
Bucks CC	166.53	March pension
HMRC - online	140.40	Tax/NI –current & re issue October payment
Acorn Landscaping	215.83	11/12 highways grass cutting
Mrs S Henson	17.55	February expenses
TBS Hygiene	64.80	February collections
Information Commissioner dd	35.00	Annual subscription for Data Protection
Bucks CC	42.00	Underpayment on January pension
Southern Electricity dd	145.36	Street light energy
Southern Electricity dd	20.70	Feeder pillar energy
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Total	1500.99	(less 123.94 accounted for in February)1377.05

Statement of Account as at 1st March2017

Opening balance – 1 st Feb	24666.67
Less February cheques	4597.81
Donation from Cllrs McEnnis/Teesdale	500.00
Memorial fees – Yandell/Manning	218.00
Allotment fee	10.00
Cheque not submitted by HMRC in October	70.40
Sub Total	20867.26
Deposit account	2629.84
Total	23497.10