# At the Meeting of Grimley Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2013 in The Peace Hall, Sinton Green commencing at 7.35pm

**Present:** B R Woodhouse (Chairman) Mrs P Ayers Mrs A Davies B Jones D Lewis

**G** Rowberry

**In Attendance:** DCllr D Clarke Mrs S Hughes - Clerk

Apologies: D Arr (accepted) S Haslewood Mrs M Weston WCCllr P Grove

## 119/13 Declarations of Interest

- a) Register of Interests: There were no changes notified
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.
- 120/13 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011): There were none.

## 121/13 Report from the Local Police Officer

No report had been received.

## 122/13 Minutes of the Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 15<sup>th</sup> July & 12<sup>th</sup> August 2013, having been previously circulated were **approved** and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

**123/13** Matters Arising from the Minutes Not Listed Elsewhere on the Agenda a) Min 105: Pre-school Building Funding: With the agreement of the meeting Mr M Jukes, chairman of the Governors of the Primary School was invited to speak.

Mr Jukes advised that the school had had to assume management of the pre-school including the payment of staff and the curriculum. The current building had been condemned and funding sought for a replacement. Relevant authorities had advised that in order to obtain funding, the building would have to be used for wider community activities. Thus various clubs and associations already met in the building. He was adamant that the building was not in competition with The Peace Hall: members noted the application form for funding referred to a 'community building' for various activities including arts, fitness, ICT, education and social activities'.

Mr Jukes advised that information and a questionnaire on the project had been circulated within the Church magazine, a subscription magazine.

Members re-iterated that they were unaware of the project (a claim denied by the District Councillor) and regretted the competition with the Peace Hall but wished the school well with the provision of a building for the Pre-School and future education.

Closure of the meeting to allow the public present to speak on any matters relating to Grimley Parish. There were no other topics raised

## 124/13 Report of the County Councillor

Cllr Grove had submitted his apologies for the meeting.

## 125/13 Report of the MH District Councillor

Cllr Dean Clarke advised that:

there were no current planning applications in relation to the Raceway; the owners had appealed against the conditions imposed by the regulatory order and court action was awaited;

the proposed bank holiday camping weekend was to be held at The Wharf;

MHDC were holding a workshop for members during September on S106 monies and New Homes Bonus prior to a decision by full council; there was no update with regard to e-planning consultations; the LPA had provided a case to justify their interpretation of the provision of a 5-year land supply with regard to large planning applications.

- 126/13 Planning: a) To consider planning applications referred by MHDC for comment: There were none.
  - b) To Consider Under the Scheme of Delegation any Planning Applications received between publication of this agenda and the Meeting:

13/00990/FUL Proposed two detached dwellings

Land adj Cornerways, Main Road, Hallow

Members raised objections to this application:

the area was outside of the settlement boundary; over-development of a small site in a prominent location; inappropriate access for existing traffic. Members urged the LPA to seek details of the actual number of road traffic accidents in the immediate area (WCC had the details as police and ambulances had been present) partially due to the current surface water from the drive flowing across the highway and freezing.

- c) Details of Decision Notices Received from MHDC: There were none.
- **d) Grimley Raceway:** See Min 125/13 above. Members advised that the recent meeting was extremely noisy.
- e) Electronic Consultation on Planning Applications: No update was available.
- f) Amendment to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended): The clerk referred to the previously circulated document. Further advice on the implementation was awaited from Government/LPA.
- **g)** Assets of Community Value: Members noted the previously circulated document and agreed to discuss the matter further at the next meeting.

#### 127/13 Highways & Footpaths

- **a) Min 108: Stones/chain-link on Highways Verge:** As advised by WCC the chain-link fencing in Dark Lane had been reported through the Highways Hub. Subsequently another officer had given contrary advice and clarification was now awaited from a senior officer.
- **b) Min 114b: Sewerage on the Footpath adj Windyridge:** WCC Inspectors had visited the area; notification of their decisions was awaited.
- c) Hedges, Grimley Lane: Following concerns raised through the

Lengthsman, the clerk had contacted the landowners requesting that the hedges be cut back at the earliest opportunity.

### 128/13 Monkwood Green

- a) Drainage of the Large Pond and Local Ditches: Members agreed that a local contractor should be asked to investigate the area and if possible clear all drainage channels.
- **b) Mowing:** Members noted that the general mowing had been completed with the exception of verges, visibility splays and area in front of The Fox.
- c) Diversion of Footpath GM509: WCC had confirmed the Order to divert the route of the footpath (members had previously been consulted on the matter and raised no objections).

## 129/13 Sinton Green

- a) **Parking on Sinton Green:** The clerk had been advised that a private prosecution was possible but members were most reluctant to follow this route. Alternative sources of advice had been sought.
- **b) Drainage & Gullies:** The clerk advised that Highways had completed the work adjacent to Three Ways, undertaken initial work on the kerbing opposite the telephone box but the gullies under the carriageway had still to be cleared.
- c) Pond Clearance: Members were absolutely delighted with the work undertaken on the pond and **agreed** to write to the plant operator expressing their thanks. Cllr Rowberry had purchased and spread grass seed on the relevant areas.

## 130/13 Finance

- a) Works for the Lengthsman: There were no areas highlighted.
- b) To Receive, Consider and Approve the Bank Reconciliation: Members noted and approved the previously circulated Bank Reconciliation.
- c) To Consider & Approve the payment of outstanding accounts: Members approved the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule (attached).

#### 131/13 Correspondence

- a) Any Matters Arising from the CALC Circulars: There were none.
- **b) MHDC Parish Conference:** The clerk highlighted the detail of the intended Parish Conference in Malvern on 17<sup>th</sup> October. Due to the importance with regard to Parish Precepts, members were urged to attend.
- c) MHDC Request for Councillors' e-mail addresses: Members noted the request and the previous decision of the Council that individuals should take appropriate action, if they so wished.
- d) Items for Circulation: The following items were included in the circulation envelope: CPRE Countryside Voice Summer; Community First Newsline Summer; Festival Housing Building Festival's Future 2013 2018; MHDC Update Summer, Annual Review 2013, Area Planning 20 August.

#### 132/13 Items of Parochial Interest for Information Only

a) Response by Emergency Vehicles: Cllr Jones highlighted an incident where the fire brigade had been called to a farm fire in Moseley Road but due to their tracking system had spent almost 30 minutes searching for the fire in Grimley Village. Fortunately the fire had not been severe. It was agreed that the clerk should highlight the problem of location with the relevant authorities.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

Chairman	
	(9 <sup>th</sup> September 2013)