

FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 27th June 2011 at 7:30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury

0. CO-OPTION FOR VACANCY

As there were no applications for the vacancy it was agreed to try and co-opt at the September meeting. The clerk was asked to check with CALC with regards to any alternative routes/procedures etc.

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| 1. Present: | Chair I Southcott
V/chair G Mills
W Llewellyn
B Carter
D Day
A Stephens
T McDonald (also WDC Cllr) | 0 Parishioners

Nigel Potter Comm 1 st /WDC etc
Clerk – R J Coles |
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Apologies were received from Cllr Anderson and WCC Cllr Eyre.

2. Declarations of Interest - none

- 3. Approval of Minutes** – Cllr Carter proposed, seconded by Cllr Llewellyn, and the meeting agreed that minutes for the 16th May 2011 be accepted and signed by the Chair.

4. Social Housing – Nigel Potter, Community First will be attending.

Nigel Potter introduced himself from Comm 1st, WDC, MHDC and county wide responsibilities as rural affordable housing enabler. It was still the intention and was in the current budget to carry out a village housing survey and the more involvement from the parish council the better. It was noted that we had reached this position a couple of time in the past few years only for nothing to happen. He noted that under the current system there was a waiting list of over 1500 claimants which could be suitable for use of any current properties in Fladbury of which only a very few had any local connection within or in neighbouring villages. It was therefore important that to satisfy local need a new batch, usually between 8 to 15 dwellings, be developed with S106 local protection in what is a high priced/low wage area. He left further information to be included in the next circulation pack and the parish council agree to respond with the intention to participate in due course but with reservations with regards to the true outcome likely.

The meeting continued as there were no parishioners present.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Old Rectory Green/Village Green ownership – Item carried forward to July.
- b) Pound – Cllr Anderson has approved a letter to be sent by registered post.
- c) Parish wide communications by email – Chair Southcott reported that he hoped to build on lists that already exist within the village. An advert through Five Alive/Fladbury Flyer will also be considered using police funding received.
- d) MyParish website – Chair Southcott requested that councillors forward details and a digital picture which he offered to take if necessary. Twitter and Facebook were raised with little enthusiasm shown.
- e) Cycle Path Crophorne – The clerk reported that highways preferred a route on the southern side of Millbank so that it joined up with the highways directly. WCC Cllr Eyre appears to be championing a solution to dovetail into a county wide initiative for cycle paths.
- f) Annual Parish meeting/Bus shelter – This item is carried forward to September meeting.
- g) Station Rd path & posts – The clerk reported that damaged posts had been replaced but siding out had not taken place yet.
- h) Pool Garden refurbishment project – The clerk was asked to follow up why construction had not started on 20th June.

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- i) Pool Garden professional hedge cutting – The clerk and Cllr Llewellyn had agreed to proceed with the professional cutting to coincide with the new play facility. This would take place twice a year at £185 a time and the first cut had already taken place with a major reduction in height in areas provided for free. The dead tree has been removed.

6. **PARISH PLAN (electronic copy to MyParish website outstanding)**

7. **POLICING** - contacts are PC Stuart Toms, CSO Simon Hall (0300 333 3000/01905 725770)

8. **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

WCC Cllr Eyre had filed a report previously which was sent round by email. With respect to Fladbury the only item of note was her response to County Planning with regards to her concerns over the anaerobic digester.

WDC Cllr McDonald indicated that WDC will be meeting with parishes with regards to Neighbourhood Plans (Nplan) respecting due diligence with regards to Parish Plans (Pplan). However it was emphasised that Nplans would not be allowed to stop growth. SHLAA/SWDP was noted, Droitwich Canal loop opening advertised and Commemorative Garden vandalism cleared up in Pershore. He expressed concerns that County may be implementing a new policy of local anaerobic digesters for household rubbish, the current plan in Fladbury had been indicated for local green waste only but due attention should be drawn to any attempts for 'creep' to appear in its usage/development.

9. **PLANNING**

- **W/09/01922/LUE – Ms L Hyett, Whitsun Brook Farm, Hill Furze – Certificate of lawfulness (existing use) – use of land as the garden area to the farmhouse** – Concerns over the quality and detail of this application have been filed and a decision is awaited.
- **W/10/02456/PP – Mr & Mrs Francis, Pole Position, Station Rd – Proposed detached garage** – Following consultations with WDC a no objection was filed and permission has been granted.
- **W/10/02601/CU – Mrs W Crowe, Long Acre, Station Rd, Fladbury - Change of use of section of river bank for boat mooring and construction of stages and slipway - WDC reply required within 21 days of 30//12/10 (i.e. 20/01/11 – however delivery noted as a week late).** An objection has been filed and a decision is awaited which could be significantly delayed due to further flood assessment, EA involvement etc., however flood/EA is only a part of the Parish Council's concerns with visual development being a major concern as well. The local MP has been notified due to the high degree of public unrest with this proposal. It was agreed that as this application was over six months old that a meeting with Jack Heggarty (MD) and Gill Collin (Planning) at WDC was the way to proceed. Chair Southcott will arrange.
- **WCC/11/000020/CM – Springhill Nurseries Ltd – Proposed anaerobic digestion plant, new roundabout access and associated ancillary infrastructure.** A list of concerns has been registered and a decision is awaited. However there is concern amongst the Parish Council, and also within WDC that the planning process is very weak with regards to involving not only the public but also properties as close as 60 metres away. Representations have been made to WCC and WCC Cllr Eyre that the situation is unacceptable for such a highly visible and potentially damaging project as also indicated by WDC long list of issues in their respective consultee role. Chair Southcott still planned a circular in the next day or two asking parishioner to contact WCC prior to its committee meeting on the 12th July.
- **W/11/00759/ET – Mrs K Harris, Land at, Western Orchard - Extension of Time Application to Planning Ref. W/08/00903/PN for One Bungalow and Associated Works.** – No objection was filed and permission has been granted.

Glasshouse Liaison Group – Chair Southcott reported that the next meeting will probably be in the autumn after the above anaerobic digester plan had been decided.

Travellers' consultation – Cllr Day asked for guidance with regards to the parish council's stance on this subject. It was agreed that the planning regime should treat all alike and fairly. He will prepare a response in conjunction with Chair Southcott and file on behalf of the parish council.

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SHLAA & SWDP – Following extensive coverage of the subject in the local press it was noted that all proposed sites in Fladbury in the May version of the SHLAA had been ruled out except for a small site for 7 dwellings on Broadway Lane south and east.

10. FINANCE

- a) Cllr Llewellyn proposed, seconded by Cllr Day and the meeting agreed to accept the Receipts and Payments A/C up to 27/06/2011 for approval and signature by the chair including one late payment for pavilion cleaning in June.
- b) Invoices for Payment from above approval – £

1544	19	A King 4 tubs etc	74.93
1545	20	LCR NALC sub	15.50
1546	21	Pavilion clean may	160.00
1547	22	Limebridge mowingx3 may	410.40
1548	23	Bgas pavilion	199.71
1549	24	Avern paper towels	18.48
1550	25	light mnte l/l l/f	110.00
1551	26	Lengthsman apr/may	114.30
1552	27	clerk jun sal/all exp paye	402.31

Late:-

1553	28	Pavilion clean jun	160.00
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- c) Cllr Llewellyn proposed, seconded by Cllr Day, and the meeting agreed to accept the Statement of Accounts as presented for audit approval to be signed by Chair and Clerk/RFO.
- d) Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by V/chair Mills that the Annual Governance statement be accepted for approval for Chair and Clerk/RFO to sign with affirmative answers in all cases.

11. LIGHTING (Cllr Carter 860 247)

Cllr Carter reported on the long saga concerning the overgrown light pole in Lazy Lane. Following concerns over its integrity when the vegetation was cleared it was passed for painting. However after the pole began to collapse at the top it has now been condemned, made safe and is awaiting a new pole all of which is in hand.

12. FOOTPATHS/TREES (WCC Warden Cllr Mills footpaths 860 644, WDC Warden Cllr Stephens trees 860 320)

Cllr Llewellyn made the meeting aware that the two big trees at the entrance to Broadway Close were to be removed by the new householder. Cllr Stephens also reported that the Yews in the Church yard were having problems which had been diagnosed as due to the bad winter but there were doubts as some of the problems were noticeable in November prior.

Cllr Mills reported that the bridge at the moorings at Craycombe Bank/A44 bend had had to be repositioned due to flood movement and damage. This had been actioned with WCC in quick time to match a rambler's event in the area. The clerk reported complaints with regards to overgrowth of brambles at the Porters South/Glebe allotments. Also a vandalised vehicle had been reported to the glebe allotment land agent for action as it posed risks to the nearby footpath as well as an eyesore.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

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| 1 | CALC | Update 11 31/03/11 |
| 2 | CAB | Requesting £500/parish (we pay £100/now£200!!) |
| 3 | C&M Line | News Spring 2011 |
| 4 | WDC | Code of Conduct/Standards Regime 9 th June 2011 |
| 5 | CALC | Update 12 07/04/11 |

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6	CALC	Update 13 14/04/11
7	WCC	Revised Bus Consultation
8	WDC	Parish Matters April 2011
9	CALC	Update 14 21/04/11
10	WCC	A44 change of speed limits!!
11	CPRE	Field Work Spring 2011
12	CALC	Update 15 28/04/11
13	CPRE	Worcestershire News Letter May 2011
14	CALC	Update 16 05/05/11
15	C&C	Direct May
16	WCC	A44 Speed changes!!
17	CPRE	Members Guide 2011
18	CPRE	Countryside Voice Spring 2011
19	CALC	Update 17 12/05/11
20	WDC McD	Ward Report 09/05/11

14. OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

- a) Rural Rate Relief for 500152109 Fladbury Pies of
 - Option A – WDC £725.28 of which Parish Council pays £90.66
 - Option B - WDC £362.64 of which Parish Council pays £0.00
 - Option C - WDC £0.00 of which Parish Council pays £0.00Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Llewellyn, and the meeting agreed to adopt option B above.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)

Monday 18th July 2011 – Parish Council Meeting will take place at the Sport's Pavilion at 7:30pm. Any items for the agenda and proposed corrections to the minutes must be lodged with the Clerk by Sunday 10th July 2011.

The meeting closed at 09:05pm.

Signed: **Date:**