

# **Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013**

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## **Present**

Cllrs. Mr D Atkinson (Chairman), Mrs A Calvesbert, Mr R Cousins, Mr B Downey, Mr W Guy, Mr P Hancock, Mrs B Hill, Mrs K Jefferies, Mrs M Pettit, Mr S Sharrock.

## **In Attendance**

County Cllr. Mr T Wells, Mrs D Brookes (DB Land and Planning Consultancy), Mr P Newman (MHDC), Mr D Sharp (Clerk) and four members of the public.

Before the meeting Debbie Brookes reviewed the recent consultation event held last month proposing development of land adjacent to Welland Nursing Home. About 60 residents attended the event proposing that the area should be considered as an exception site if a housing needs survey identified a need for affordable houses in the parish.

Peter Newman confirmed that a housing needs survey should be undertaken before and sites were identified. The survey would focus on actual need rather than the popularity of such a project. He also confirmed that land previously rejected in the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) would be reviewed again for use as an exception site.

County Cllr. Tom Wells commented that it was unfortunate that a site was being proposed prior to any survey and remarked that the SWDP was nearing adoption and that the allocation at the Pheasant site would probably include 40% affordable units, however these would likely be allocated based on District rather than local need.

## **25/13 Apologies**

There were none.

## **26/13 Interests**

- i. ***Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Disclosable Interests regarding items on the agenda:*** There were none.
- ii. ***Notification of changes to the register of interests:*** There were none.
- iii. ***To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation for those with Disclosable Interests to take part in discussions or voting. (Written requests to be with the clerk at least 4 clear days prior to a meeting.):*** There were none.

## **27/13 Minutes**

***To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meetings of 21<sup>st</sup> January and 18<sup>th</sup> February:*** These were accepted as an accurate record and they were signed by the Chairman.

## **28/13 Progress reports and other matters arising from these minutes**

- It was hoped that the Jubilee tree would be delivered this week.
- The Clerk would reposition the planter by the village sign on Marlbank this week.
- The Clerk confirmed that he had redistributed grit salt amongst the bins and had removed the stones from the verge outside the school, following an injury to a pedestrian. It was unknown who had placed them there initially.
- The Primary School had requested that posts be installed on the verge by the entrance to deter parking. County Cllr. Tom Wells agreed to make the request to WCC Highways and the Clerk was to write a letter of support.
- The first grass cut of the year had been completed and only the roadside section of hedges had been cut due to the poor weather.

## **29/13 Reports by District and County Councillors and other Representatives.**

**County Cllr. Tom Wells** reported that he had been made aware by residents of the increase in traffic using Hook Bank when the Hanley Road in Upton was closed. He would look again at the possibility of a 'footway' but accepted that the road width was a determining factor. Finally he reviewed the results of a survey he had conducted via his newsletter and the change in speed limit on the Marlbank had not been universally popular.

**District Cllr. Roger Cousins** reported that a Steam Rally liaison meeting was to be arranged soon. One matter to be addressed concerned complaints over the lack of clearing of the site after last year's event. He also confirmed that only 8 residents had refused the offer of a recycling wheelie bin and delivery was expected between 15<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> April.

### 30/13 Committee & Working Party Reports & Recommendations

**Playing Fields:** A quotation for £550 for vertidrainage of Spitalfields had been received. Councillors agreed to contribute 2/3 of the cost providing the football club contributed 1/3.

A working party was to be arranged to clear the stream bordering Spitalfields when conditions allowed.

The Clerk was asked to investigate grant funding for the maintenance of the sports fields. The 'ring fencing' of car boot income for maintenance would also be considered.

### 31/13 Primary School Disaster Plan

**To consider any practical help that the Parish Council could provide regarding the Primary School's disaster plan:** The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from the School requesting the use of the village hall in an emergency. He had forwarded it to the village hall committee for consideration. However the parish council further agreed to respond to the school that they would be 'minded to allow the placing of temporary porta-cabins on the recreational field in the event of an emergency, subject to planning consent'.

### 32/13 Planning:

#### *i. The following applications were considered:*

Application No	From	Details
13/00266/S73	Mr & Mrs CL & C Morgan Broad Oak Trout Lakes Gilvers Lane	Variation of condition 2 on planning permission 12/01574/FUL– to remove reference to drawings SL3 and SL4
13/00093/S73	Mrs J Cox Land at OS (7976,4130) Blackmore Park Road	Variation of condition 2 on planning permission 10/00727/FUL to allow mixed use of the site for private equestrian use and livery up to a maximum of 3 horses at any one time
13/00234/HEX	Mr Mark Newey Rosanagh Upper Welland Road	Extension of time limit to commence development on application 09/01406/FUL Demolition of existing garage and erection of a replacement garage/workshop. Replacement dwelling. Creation of a new access onto Upper Welland Rd
13/00113/HOU	Mrs Y Campbell Marlbank House Marlbank Road	Proposed conversion and extension of garage to form ancillary living accommodation

It was agreed to recommend all applications for approval.

**ii. To consider making representation at MHDC Development Control Committee meeting regarding application 12/01085/OUT on 20<sup>th</sup> March:** It was agreed that a representative should be sent and the Chairman agreed to attend.

### 33/13 Community Assets

**To propose any assets of community value which the Parish Council should consider (next month) to nominate for inclusion in the MHDC register:** Assets to be considered next month were; The Pheasant Inn; Play areas off Blandford Close, Gainsborough Close, Reynolds Close, Giffard Drive; St James Church; Purser's Orchard; The Stores; St James Primary School.

### 34/13 Highways & Footpaths

The Clerk was to investigate the damaged 'Welland' sign at Danemoor Cross and the waste bin on Gloucester Road towards Castlemorton Common. It was also noted that the diversion signs displayed during the current road surfacing of Upton High Street were misleading.

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### 35/13 Correspondence

The following correspondence was presented:

FROM	*email	SUBJECT
CALC	*	Updates
AONB	*	Malvern Hills AONB Management Plan Review - Opportunity to comment
Viv Roper	*	Planning Application 13/00131/FUL
MHDC	*	MHDC Neighbourhood Planning Workshop - 21st March 2013
Debbie Brookes	*	Welland Consultation Event
Local Policing Team	*	CRIME FIGURES – JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2013
MHDC	*	Broadband Newsletter
CALC	*	Executive Officer's Report to Area Meetings
MHDC	*	Progress briefing on maintaining weekly black sack collections and implementing our new recycling collection arrangements
Colwall Parish Council	*	Colwall Neighbourhood Plan Open Meetings
Smart Cut	*	Vertidrainning Spitalfields
Herefordshire Council		Local Plan
Rospa		Notification of Playground Inspection
Welland Primary School		Disaster Plan

### 36/13 Finance

**To consider payment of invoices presented:**

The following payments were approved from the **Main Account**:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
Jeremy Moore	04/03	£236.00	Lengthman Duties (Feb)
RL Stump Grinding	-	£300.00	Grass Cutting
Wyevale Nurseries	08/03	£124.80	Tree Order
CALC	04/03 19/03	£130.00	Training Events
Edwin Hardman	18/03	£72.00	Handyman (£90 gross)
DA Sharp	18/03	£313.28	Clerk's Fee (£391.48 Gross SP25)
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,176.08</b>	

### Accounts Summary

Reserves Lloyds B/F	£96.88	£96.88	<b>Main Account B/F</b>	<b>£4,816.27</b>
Reserves BOI B/F	£2,862.26			
Interest	£0.22	£2,862.48		
Fete Account	£227.67	£227.67	PWLB	(£1,876.49)
Buildings Account	£4,132.51	£4,132.51	March Payments	(£1,176.08)
<b>Total C/F</b>		<b>£7,319.54</b>	<b>Main Account C/F</b>	<b>£1,763.70</b>

### 37/13 Any other matters for report or for future consideration

It was agreed that further discussions should take place regarding both a housing needs survey and a neighbourhood development plan next month. Both subjects could also be discussed at the annual parish meeting in May.

### 38/13 Date of the next meeting

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm was confirmed.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 10.05 pm.

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