

**At the Meeting of Grimley Parish Council held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014  
in The Peace Hall, Sinton Green commencing at 7.30pm**

**Present:** B R Woodhouse (Chairman) Mrs P Ayers S R Haslewood\* G Rowberry  
Mrs M Weston

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

**Apologies:** D Arr (accepted) Mrs A Davies B Jones D Lewis

**170/14 Declarations of Interest**

**a) Register of Interests:** There were none.

**b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature:** Cllr Rowberry declared a disclosable pecuniary interest as a contractor in planning application MH14/1327/FUL.

**c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature:** Cllrs Ayers & Lewis declared an interest as home owners adjacent to the SSSI on Monkwood Green (Min 178/14).

**d) To declare any changes to Register of Gifts & Hospitality:** There were none.

**171/14 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011):** There were none.

**172/14 To Receive a Report from the Local Policing Team**  
There was no report available.

**173/14 Report from the Local Police Officer**  
There was no report available.

**174/14 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**  
The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> October, having been previously circulated were **approved** and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

**175/14 Matters Arising from the Minutes Not Listed Elsewhere on the Agenda**  
There were none.

***Closure of the meeting to allow the public present to speak on any matters relating to Grimley Parish.*** There were no parishioners present

\* Cllr Haslewood arrived during the following item.

**176/14 Report of the MH District Councillor**  
Cllr Clarke advised that:

Malvern Hills & Wychavon DCs had agreed to share a Chief Executive and costs and MHDC had agreed to proceed with a prosecution with regard to the Raceway.

**177/14 Planning: a) To Consider Planning Applications for Comment to MHDC**

14/01327/FUL      Retrospective application for the retention of three caravans for a temporary period of three years Holywards Farm, Moseley Road

Members noted that the caravans had been on site to allow for the barn conversions for a considerable period of time. Members queried the number of caravans on site around the new barns.

**b) To Consider any Planning Applications for Comment to MHDC received between the publication of this agenda and the Meeting:**

There were none.

**c) Details of Decision Notices Received from MHDC:**

14/00902/PDU      Prior Approval of Proposed Change of Use of Agricultural Building to a Dwellinghouse    Oakhall Farm, Sinton Green  
**Refusal Prior Approval Notification (PDU)**

**d) Grimley Raceway:** Members noted the legal changes relating to the Company and the update from MH District Councillor.

**e) Tree Preservation Order:**

552 (2014)      Moseley Bank, Moseley Road. Members noted the formal notification without further comment.

**178/14 Monkwood Green**

**a) SSSI – Joint Meeting: To Consider Matters Arising and Actions Required:** Members noted that at the request of the local residents, the meeting had been postponed until 21<sup>st</sup> November..

**b) To Consider Works on the non-SSSI:** Members noted that the contractor had opened up drainage channels (gullies and ditches). It was agreed that the usual contractor be asked to re-profile and remove excess willows from the pond adjacent to Walnut Tree Cottage.

**c) Highway Contractors Damage:** Members noted that the Highways Department contractors had backfilled the area to remove all ruts.

**d) Damage Caused to Track by MHDC Refuse Lorry:** Members noted that the refuse lorry was again using the track and causing damage to the Green/SSSI.

WCCllr Grove arrived at this point in the meeting.

**179/14 Report of the County Councillor**

Cllr Phil Grove advised that:

Lafrage/Tarmac had virtually completed extraction on Church Farm South;  
 WCC had completed a traffic survey of various areas around Worcester City; the results would be published;  
 WCC had received further Government grants for pothole and footway repairs. Cllr Grove advised members to report problems as soon as possible;  
 the Parish Conference was scheduled for 29<sup>th</sup> October;  
 Members had completed early discussions on the budget seeking cuts of £5 million in 2015/16.

Members highlighted parishioners concerns over the nearness of the Lafrage extraction site to the highway and possible effects on Grimley Lane and the outstanding repairs to the drainage gulleys adjacent to Pound Farm.

WCCllr Grove took the opportunity to leave the meeting at this point.

**180/14 Highways & Footpaths**

- a) Drainage adj Pound Farm:** Members noted that repair work had been scheduled by the Highways Authority but not yet completed.
- b) Temporary Closure Order 2014:** Members noted the Temporary Closure of Footpaths GM-603 and Footpath GM-593 due to mineral and gravel extractions.
- c) Gritbin, Top Triangle Grimley Lane:** A response was awaited from Highways.
- d) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984: U64010 Old Grimley Road:** Members noted that the works on the footway adjacent to the Crossroads would commence on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> January.

**181/14 Sinton Green**

- a) Mowing 2011 – 2013:** Following further checks on the details of the recent invoice, members noted that cheque had been withheld pending further details.
- b) Parking on The Green:** CALC had advised that the Parish Council could take out legal prosecutions through the Magistrates Court against named persons parking on The Green. The Council is not obliged to prosecute any offence but it does have the power to do so.

Following considered discussion on proof, numbers and costs, members agreed to write once again to the persons concerned.

Concerns were raised over wooden posts situated adjacent to the Highway on land registered as Village Green.

Cllr Lewis left the meeting during the following discussions.

**182/14 Finance**

- a) Works for the Lengthsman:** Members noted that various jobs were outstanding from the previous month: members to advise the clerk of any other tasks around the parish requiring attention.
- b) To Consider & Approve the payment of outstanding accounts:** Members **approved** the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule (attached).
- c) To Note & Consider required changes to Financial Regulations:** Members agreed to amend the Regulations at a subsequent meeting of the Parish Council.
- d) To Note the delayed Purchase of Ceramic Poppies for the Parish in commemoration of those who dies in the 1<sup>st</sup> World War:** Members noted that the majority of the poppies had been ordered/sold and that the Parish Council had registered a strong interest in purchasing two poppies if and when more became available.
- e) Formation of a Budget Group:** Following discussions, it was **agreed** that the clerk should provide first estimates for further consideration at the next meeting of the Council.

**183/14 Reports from Representatives**

- a) Peace Hall Management Committee:** There was no updated report available on this occasion.
- b) Lafrage/Tarmac Liaison Committee:** Members noted that the extraction work was near completion: re-instatement plans were awaited.

**c) Grimley Smaller Charities:** Final payments and land re-instatement were progressing.

**185/14 Correspondence**

**a) Any Matters Arising from the CALC Circulars:** Members noted the possible changes to the delivery of nomination forms for the Parish Council elections in May 2015.

**b) MHDC Parish Conference – 23<sup>rd</sup> October:** Members noted the date.

**c) Annual Survey, Police & Crime Commissioners:** Members noted the previously circulated documents.

**d) MH Area Committee - 22<sup>nd</sup> October:** Members noted the date.

**e) MHDC Rough Sleeping – e-mail circulated:** Members were not aware of any persons sleeping rough within the parish.

**f) Improving Community Sports Facilities at The Chantry School:** Members noted the e-mails and requests from The Chantry School in relation to Section 106 monies. There were no known building projects planned for the parish and therefore the request was simply noted.

**g) MHDC Statement of Licensing Policy Review Consultation 2014:** Members noted the detail recently received from MHDC.

**186/14 Items of Parochial Interest for Information Only**

There were no matters raised.

**187/14 Date of Next Scheduled Meeting:** January 2015

Chairman .....  
(2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015)