

MADRESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE 188th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT ST MARY CHURCH MADRESFIELD
ON THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2014 AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT

Cllrs. Mr D Craig (Chairman), Mr R Baldwin, Mr C Eden, Mr C Freeman, Rev S Irwin.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

Cllr. Craig had agreed to remain as Chairman up until the forthcoming May elections.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: There were none.

2. 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:* There were none.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 4TH SEPTEMBER

These were accepted as an accurate record and they were signed by the Chairman.

4. PROGRESS REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES

It was noted that the VAS was in the village for December and that the speed camera had also been present recently.

The path between the Club and the School was being improved thanks to a grant from County Cllr. Tom Wells from his ward budget.

The water leak at the North End Lane/Madresfield Village junction had been rectified.

5. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

There were none.

6. REPORTS FROM WARDENS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES

- i. **Tree Warden:** Cllr. Craig reported that there was no sign of ash die back near Worcestershire although the position was being closely monitored.
- ii. **Footpath Warden:** Cllr. Baldwin reported that the wet weather had caused some paths to become muddy and the area by the cattle trough near University Wood was particularly poor.
- iii. **Charities Representative:** Donations had been made to the School.

7. HIGHWAYS

The Clerk reported that the speed limit review for North End Lane had not recommended any reduction. It was hoped that if residents reported the damage to the verges on Rectory Lane then WCC Highways might be forced to act. Clerk to take pictures of the worst damage and forward to WCC.

The Clerk had installed a new 'deep water' warning sign by the pond and renewed the liner in the waste bin by the church.

8. PLANNING

- i. *To confirm response sent between meetings to the following application:*

Application No.	From	Details
14/01386/FUL	Madresfield CofE Primary School	Proposed dining provision, infill extension

The Clerk had recommended the application for approval. This was ratified here.

- ii. *To consider additional response to revised plans for the following application:*

Application No.	From	Details
14/00788/OUT	Worcestershire County Council Land at Townsend Way/Mayfield Road, Malvern, Worcestershire,	Outline application for residential development of up to 59 dwellings. All matters reserved with the exception of access.

No additional response was to be submitted.

9. CORRESPONDENCE.

The following correspondence was presented:

FROM	* Email	SUBJECT
CALC	*	Updates
Misc	*	Access only
MHDC	*	Recommended Proposed Main Modifications to the SWDP
WCC	*	Our New Local Response Team and Winter Weather Reminder
MHDC	*	Fourth Parish and Town Council Conference 23rd October 2014
CALC	*	Autumn Training Programme
MHDC	*	News Update
CALC	*	AGM 2014-26th November
MHDC	*	Ageing Well Small Grants Scheme
MHDC	*	First aid training for CPR
MHDC	*	Statement of Licensing Policy Review - Consultation 2014
MHDC	*	Letter to MP Brandon Lewis re SWDP
MHDC	*	Monthly Crime Reports
MHDC		Council Tax Precepts
CPRE		Countryside Voice
WCC		Highways Improvements

10. FINANCE

- i. **To consider reports from auditors regarding the accounts for 2013/14 and to consider the effectiveness of the internal audit:** The reports were considered and the audit regime was considered suitable for the needs of the Parish Council.
- ii. **To consider the budget for 2015/16 and to set a precept:** The budget was agreed and a precept of £1400.00 was to be requested
- iii. **To authorise payment of invoices presented:** The following payments were approved:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	-	£354.00	Lengthman Fees (Sep-Nov)
BGS	30/09	£17.50	VAS Maintenance
Melba Swintex	19/11	£27.12	Waste Bin Liner
Cozy Creations	12/11	£6.98	Deep Water Sign
CPRE	-	£36.00	Annual Subscription
PCC	04/12	£15.00	Church Hire
HMRC	-	£23.60	PAYE (Sep-Dec)
Malvern Hills CAB	-	£50.00	Donation
Macmillan Cancer	-	£50.00	Donation
Grapevine	-	£50.00	Donation
DA Sharp	04/12	£70.00	Annual Expenses 2014/15
DA Sharp	04/12	£93.84	Clerks fees (3 months @ SCP18 £117.44 gross)
	Total	£794.04	

After these payments are made accounts will be as follows

Premium Account B/F	£926.27	Current Community Account B/F	£28.25
		WCC Lengthman Scheme (Jul-Sep)	£472.00
Interest	£0.12	MHDC Precept	£600.00
		December Payments	-£794.04
Premium Account C/F	£926.39	Current Community Account C/F	£306.21

11. COUNCILLOR'S ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION.

It was agreed that instances of dog fouling should be mapped and problem areas reported to MHDC Street Scene officers.

12. NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting was to be held on Thursday 5th March 2015.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.