

FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 19th July 2010 at 7:30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury

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| 1. | Present: | W P Llewellyn (Chair) | 1 Parishioners |
| | | D Day | WCC Cllr Eyre |
| | | G Mills | |
| | | A Stephens | |
| | | B Carter | Clerk – R J Coles |
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Apologies were received from Cllrs Anderson, V/chair Southcott & WDC/FPC Cllr McDonald.

2. **Declarations of Interest - none**
3. **Approval of Minutes** – Cllr Carter proposed, seconded by Cllr Stephens, and the meeting agreed that minutes for the 28th June 2010 be accepted and signed by the Chair.
4. **Intentionally Blank**

As the parishioner present did not want to address councillors the meeting continued.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Parish Trees – The clerk reported that he had arranged for the identification of all trees on/affecting 'public lands' and will report again in September.
- b) Old Rectory Green ownership – This issue was carried forward to September.
- c) Traffic Speed Indicator sign – The clerk reported that the Speed Activated Sign had completed a full week's installation on Station Road, south of Pole Position. As expected the counter indicated a large number of vehicles exceeding 32mph, however as the counter is only a simple system the exact numbers are subject to a wide variance of estimates after discussions with WCC and Westcotec. The Station Road 30mph limit is seen as not a particular issue by motorists but is there because of a number of private entrances directly onto the highway. Based on this assumption it is expected that the count at Millbank will be of an order of 50% and Recreation Gate area 25%. This data will be available at the next meeting. The clerk has asked WCC to carry out a new count and speed sample for the village.
- d) A44 speed limits – WCC Cllr Eyre stated that the Parish Council's request for the proposed 40mph limit from Craycombe Bank past Fladbury Cross to be joined up with the 40mph limit at Lower Moor had no support from the Chief Constable through to officers at WCC and indicated that a short 50mph limit had been deliberately placed as it was predicted that motorists would ignore a 'too long' 40mph limit to the detriment of Fladbury's intentions. It was now up to the public consultation exercise to produce any changes as the exercise had taken so long and cost so much to date.
- e) Farm St/Broadway Lane traffic issues – The clerk reported that he had walked Farm Street and in particular the highway constriction at the entrance to Broadway Lane from Farm Street with Roy Fullee, WDC highways, who appreciated the potential problems. In the longer term the 20mph schools and urban area initiatives could help and a moving of the playground sign to a better position will be considered. Rooftops have indicated that they can help the nearby tenant with a grant but most of the cost of off-road parking would be his responsibility. The situation will be monitored.
- f) Basketball/netball facility – This issue was carried forward to September.

6. PARISH PLAN - nothing

7. POLICING - nothing

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

Relevant reports will be included in circulation pack and have been widely circulated already.

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/10/00994/PP – Dr VJ Richards, Weir Cottage, Mill Bank – Proposed replacement conservatory to rear. First floor extension to rear** – A no objection response has been filed and permission has been refused.
- **W/10/01074/PN – Ms V Turkington, Scottish Power Renewables, 4th Floor, 1 Atlantic Quay, Glasgow G2 8JB – Installation and operation of a wind energy scheme comprising 5 wind turbines and ancillary infrastructure for a period of 25 years, including external transformers, crane hard standings and lay down areas, control building and compound housing switchgear, onsite access tracks, turning heads and ditch crossings, permanent monitoring mast, site entrance, underground electric cables, site mast, site signage, associated ground works, tree felling and replanting** – The meeting agreed that Cllr Day would compose the letter of objection from the Parish Council suitably advised by the Working Party for the clerk to lodge with WDC. WDC reply required within 21 days of 10/06/10 (i.e. 01/07/10). This has been extended to 31/07/10.
- **W/10/01610/PN – Mr A Billie, Springhill Nurseries Ltd, Oak Corner, Offenham Cross, Evesham – Retrospective application to extend the size of the glasshouse development, increase the size of the reservoir, provision of a loading bay, rotation and relocation of an on-site caravan, revised internal road layout, revised planting and landscaping scheme and proposed new roundabout access.** – The meeting agreed that V/chair Southcott would prepare objections to every aspect of the application. The retrospective issues were considered to be a flagrant breach of the planning system to date, whilst the proposed roundabout (and associated WCC lighting requirement) was in total opposition to the inspectorate planning approval conditions. All Councillors were asked to see if there was an issue if the 7 chestnut trees are removed as there was conflicting evidence as to why they were on the A44, any information should be provided to V/chair Southcott asap. WDC reply required within 21 days of 08/07/10 (i.e. 29/07/10)

Wind Farm – Cllr Day reported that a response to a letter from Mr Michael T Parker of Sedgeberrow had been sent covering questions of the Parish Council's activities with the 6 Parish Council's Working Party. Legal advice from Peter Scott, Parkinson Wright (Evesham) had drawn attention to a number of issues of flawed, inadequate and much missing information that an application of this nature should have covered, including references to the Regional Spatial Strategy which no longer existed. It also appeared that many of the 'ENV' local government planning guidelines were ignored. This will be covered in the letter of objection approved in the above application detail.

Glasshouse Liaison Group – It was also noted for the public record that the Parish Council were disappointed to learn that following the publication of an industrial BCP Certis Technical Review 2010 that the Holt's were "Looking to the future he says the family plan to continue expanding the business by building new glass at the Springfield site". Nothing of these plans were mentioned at a recent meeting, 17th June 2010, of the Parish Council with the developers but does explain why they deliberately breached the inspectorate's planning approval by overbuilding the glass house and reservoir for which an objection will be made as indicated above.

SHLAA – The meeting considered the initial comments submitted by V/chair Southcott for the associated public consultation and agreed that he should prepare the Parish Council's response based on these. Cllr Mills added that there was planning history with regards to rejections of the Paynes Lane Site. It was also suggested that a reference be made to the small 10 acre WCC small holding site near the end of Farm Street being considered as the land was in public ownership and underutilised.

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10. FINANCE

a) Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Day, and the meeting agreed to approve the Receipts and Payments A/C up to 19/07/10 with the addition of two late payments for Chair to sign.

b) Invoices for Payment from above approval - £

1474	28	CALC clerk meeting	7.50
1475	29	Pavilion clean jun	160.00
1476	30	Limebridge mowings x3 lun	388.93
1477	31	npower pav	92.15
1478	32	pool garden hedge cut	50.00
1479	33	Clerk sal/all/exp	309.85
1480	34	Avern papertowels pavilion (late)	18.10
1481	35	npower lighting 2Q10 (late)	652.51

c) Cllr Carter proposed, seconded by Cllr Stephens, and the meeting agreed to accept the Statement of Accounts as agreed with the internal auditor for audit approval and filing after signature by Chair and RFO/clerk.

d) The Annual Governance statement was read out and all answers agreed by the Parish Council. Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Carter, and the meeting agreed that Chair and RFO/clerk sign for filing with the Audit Commission.

11. LIGHTING

Cllr Carter reported that he and the clerk would meet with WCC on the Village Lighting Initiative which would see all the light managed by them.

12. FOOTPATHS

Cllr Mills reported that everything seemed reasonable, however the clerk pointed out that the diverted footpath from the back of the glebe allotments to the railway crossing was indistinguishable.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

The clerk was asked to respond to WCC with regards to Winter Highways gritting issues, Item 7 of the pack currently doing the rounds.

14. OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

a) Cllr Stephens raised the issue of what could be done if the village was unfortunate to lose many if not all its chestnut trees and others to current diseases and infestations. In many cases local early local planting was not possible and perhaps some area could be found as a potential nursery.

b) Full road closures at the Jubilee Bridge would now be limited to only 31st July and 5th to 7th August.

c) Access testing for the wind farm would be carried out at Fladbury Cross/Hill Furze on August 14th and 15th between 10am and 3pm.

d) Later in August major disruptions are due as the A44 repairs and resurfacing of the new road layout system following the new drainage scheme at Fladbury Cross are implemented. WCC Cllr Eyre will ensure that cats eye positioning to reduce noise will take place.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S)

Monday 27th September 2010 – 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 19th September 2010.

The meeting closed at 09:25pm. **Signed:** **Date:**