

## **FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at 7:30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury

### **0. CO-OPTION FOR VACANCY**

FPC Cllr McDonald resigned with effect from the end of this meeting. He was thanked by all for his services and would continue to be welcomed to all meetings in his capacity as a WDC councillor. His vacancy will be notified to WDC for a ruling on how to proceed in the light of an already existing vacancy due for co-option in September.

1. **Present:**
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| Chair I Southcott          | 0 Parishioners    |
| V/chair G Mills            |                   |
| W Llewellyn                |                   |
| B Carter                   |                   |
| D Day                      | Clerk – R J Coles |
| A Stephens                 |                   |
| T McDonald (also WDC Cllr) |                   |
| M Anderson                 |                   |

Apologies were received from WCC Cllr Eyre.

### **2. Declarations of Interest - none**

3. **Approval of Minutes** – Cllr Llewellyn proposed, seconded by V/chair Mills, and the meeting agreed that minutes for the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2011 be accepted and signed by the Chair.

### **4. Intentionally Blank**

**The meeting continued as there were no parishioners present.**

### **5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a) Old Rectory Green/Village Green ownership – Cllr Anderson reported that he would bring three solutions to the meeting in September.
- b) Pound – Cllr Anderson reported that he would support the clerk on this matter in early August when he had returned from holiday.
- c) Parish wide communications by email – Chair Southcott linked this item to d) below.
- d) MyParish website – Chair Southcott reported that he would circulate a 'Communications Strategy' before the next meeting to cover both c) & d) here for consideration at the September meeting.
- e) Cycle Path Crophorne – WCC Cllr Eyre will report at her next attendance. It was noted that Evesham Town Council and Sustrans are in the process of trying to designate a cycle path between Evesham and Pershore, route unknown. WCC Cllr Eyre will be notified and use of the Porters Path and its improvement as part of any such route would be recommended.
- f) Annual Parish meeting/Bus shelter – This item is carried forward to September meeting.
- g) Station Rd path – The clerk reported that the new WCC equipment could not cope with this type of path any more, the lengthsman will be consulted.
- h) Pool Garden refurbishment project – Chair reported that work had started two weeks ago and was proceeding apace with completion within the next three weeks.

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

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

PC Stuart Toms has retired after 30 years and was thanked by all for his help in the parish. His replacement has been appointed but no details released as yet.

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

WDC Cllr McDonald read a summary of his report to the meeting. The South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) was agreed to by WDC & WCC and carried by split vote, chair deciding in Malvern Hills to go forward to public consultation in September. It covers housing

driven by local needs, 20% less housing than previous government dictate, 40% of housing already built/approved/allocated leaving 12,000 over next 19 years and rural attempts to support village populations. Affordable housing numbers are seen as a major issue locally.

Following a by-election at Elmley Castle my duties return to normal, youth services being cut back, Evesham Bridge speedy deterioration causing major timing concerns and could have an impact locally with Jubilee Bridge having to be used more due to detours. Droitwich Canal post restoration activities are growing, WDC are running fuel poverty meetings with suppliers in September and older/dementia populations due to explode locally will require addressing. The Localism Bill continues apace but may be having unintended consequences in the details and implementation of such ideals.

## 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/10/02601/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. Chair Southcott reported that WDC had tried to get this application moving by firmly putting the delay at the door of the applicant's land agent. The Parish Council continues to push for a decision has been passed on to representatives at all levels; MP, WCC & WDC.
- **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. This application did not appear on the July 12<sup>th</sup> WCC meeting agenda and the next expected date is 13<sup>th</sup> September.

**Glasshouse Liaison Group** – Chair Southcott reported that the next step would be an autumn meeting preferably after a decision on the anaerobic digester is known.

**Travellers' consultation** – Cllr Day reported that he had filed the Parish Council's response via the clerk and noted that the consultation had been delayed by about a month.

The clerk noted that the SSII on the Avon at Fladbury had been withdrawn as expected.

## 10. FINANCE

- a) Cllr Anderson proposed, seconded by Cllr McDonald, and the meeting agreed to accept the Receipts and Payments A/C up to 18/07/2011 for signature by Chair with the addition of a late payment for water services at the pavilion by Severn Trent.

- b) Invoices for Payment from above approval – £

1554	29	Limebridge mowingx3/play hedge	632.40
1555	30	J Bugg school tubs	10.40
1556	31	npower light 2Q111Q11/11	667.12
1557	32	clerk jul sal/all/exp paye	285.46

1558	33	Pavilion water	171.43
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**11. LIGHTING (Cllr Carter 860 247)**

Cllr Carter reported that the new post and lamp had been installed in Lazy Lane and an underground connection was due on 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

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

V/chair Mills reported that there was to be a meeting with Fiona Argyll at Evesham Golf Course the following day.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

**28th June 2011**

1	CALC	Update 18 26/05/11
2	CALC	Update 19 02/06/11
3	NALC	LCR Summer 2011
4	CALC	Update 20 09/06/11
5	CALC	Update 21 16/06/11
6	WDC	Invitation to New Homes Bonus Event
7	Comm 1 <sup>st</sup>	Newsline Spring 2011
8	WCC Eyre	Comments to WCC re anaerobic digestion plant
9	SWDP	thru 2030
10	Droitwich	Spa Water and Music Festivals
11	WCC Eyre	Report May
12	C&C	Direct July 2011
13	Comm 1 <sup>st</sup>	Rural Affordable Housing pack – Nigel Potter meeting!

Plus any other information only received since 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011.

**14. OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

- a) It was noted for the record that travellers at the top of Craycombe Bank, golf course side, had been moved on after parish council complaints of a highways safety issue.
- b) The police are keeping an eye on speeding tractors following a complaint from Charlton PC.

**15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)**

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 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 18<sup>th</sup> September 2011.

The meeting closed at 08:35pm.

**Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....