FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 15th July 2013 at 7:30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury

0. COUNCILLOR VACANCY CO-OPTION TO TAKE PLACE

Following the closure date for applications of Friday 12th July 2013, only one formal application had been received. It was proposed by Cllr Manser, seconded by Cllr Anderson, and the meeting agreed to co-opt Pamela Jean Pike of Weston Corner, Station Rd as a councillor. Due to her absence, the clerk with follow up between meetings with the necessary paperwork.

1.	Present:	Chair I Southcott V/chair G Mills	0 Parishioners
		N Manser D Day A Stephens B Carter M Anderson	WDC Cllr McDonald Clerk – R J Coles

Apologies were received from WCC Cllr Eyre and Cllrs Insall and Pike (co-optee).

2. Declarations of Interest - none

3. Approval of Minutes – Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Day, and the meeting agreed that minutes for the 24th June 2013 be accepted and signed by the Chair.

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5. FINANCE

a) Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Carter, and the meeting agreed to accept the Receipts and Payments A/C up to 15/07/13 for signature by Chair.

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1733	32	Vhall insulation project WCC/WDC	9525.45	early
1734	33	Oil for signpost	11.98	
1735	34	Mowing x2 jun	324.00	
1736	35	Treework wharf	216.00	
1737	36	lighting 1Q13/14 2Q13	680.18	
1738	37	Clerk sal/all/exp paye jul	287.61	

b) Invoices for Payment from above approval –

c) The meeting was suspended whilst outstanding cheques were signed by two councillors.

The meeting continued as there were no parishioners present.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) <u>Annual Parish meeting/Bus shelter</u> Chair reported that the necessary local consultations were outstanding.
- b) <u>Meadows interpretation panels</u> Chair reported that a new source was now handling.
- c) <u>Village Sign</u> Chair reported that the favoured position for a plaque to Bill Llewellyn was on the 45 degree brickwork surface with ideally a non-metallic material given recent metal thefts. The Chair will draft a form of words and circulate for comment.
- d) <u>Lengthsman</u> Clerk is still trying to arrange a suitable tour for Chair Southcott and Cllr Manser.
- e) <u>Recreation Ground Car Park</u> Chair requested a carry forward.
- f) <u>Emergency Planning</u> Chair requested that he and Cllr Insall would work on an initial draft for consideration at the next meeting.
- g) <u>Rural Rate Relief</u> WDC Cllr McDonald had supplied the clerk with a list of registered businesses in the parish which had been passed on to councillors. Clarification of some coding is still outstanding and the clerk will follow up.
- h) <u>Defibrillator Cards –</u> Chair Southcott reported that Cllr Insall had prepared two drafts but was not particularly happy with either. The meeting felt that this exercise should not involve any commercial organisations.

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- i) <u>CCTV costs</u> Cllr Carter reported that he was continuing to investigate, although issues of quality, effectiveness, who could run and privacy had already been expressed.
- j) <u>WP Llewellyn commemorative clock –</u> Clerk reported that he had found a suitable supplier and was awaiting sample artwork. The cost was £125 and he will circulate as soon as said artwork is received.

7. **PARISH & NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS –** Chair is investigating costs and resource requirements and would present at the next meeting.

 POLICING - contacts are PC Dave Shortell & CSO Simon Hall (03003 333000 Ext 3408/3499) (Also new less urgent 101 services complement 999 emergencies)

Cllr Carter had introduced himself to the new female officer in charge of area policing. In the meantime he expressed frustration and disappointment at lack of any enthusiasm by local officers to contact him on recent issues. He will continue to pursue.

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

WCC Cllr Eyre report was expected soon by email. WDC Cllr McDonald had circulated his Round-Up to the village and also a brief update covering cleaning of the village for the walkabout and current Flood Insurance scheme being extended from 2013 to 2015 when a newly agreed system would be in place.

10. 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. WDC have agreed to attempt to progress and resolve this long outstanding issue. WDC Enforcement has indicated that this is not their top priority and will respond in due course. <u>Still outstanding.</u>

• W/12/01129/AB- Spring Hill Farm, Salters Lane, Fladbury WR10 2PE - Agricultural irrigation reservoir - Concerns have been filed and a decision is awaited. The two main outstanding issues appear to be a waste pipe under the site and Worcestershire archaeological staff indicating a major sensitive site. Since then the Environment Agency have shown concerns and a proper survey of the site has been requested. EVG consider that the costs of the archaeological work are excessive and they were not intending to proceed on that basis. <u>No change.</u>

• W/13/01030/PN – Mr A Bille, Vale Green Energy, Oak Corner, Offenham Cross – Extension of glasshouse, increase in reservoir, provision of loading bay, rotation and relocation of on-site garage – all as approved under planning permission W/10/01610/PN but without compliance with condition no.3 (requiring works to junction between Salters Lane and A44). – Reluctant agreement to past variances was noted and permission has been granted.

• W/13/01110/PP – Dr S Elsworthy, Wood Norton Farmhouse – Refurbishment, extension and adaption of an existing house - WDC reply required within 21 days of 05/06/13 (i.e. 26/06/13) – It would appear there are no objections however there are concerns over the safety of the A44 highway if builders are not careful on the use of the entrance of the track and surrounds onto the A44. <u>Permission has been granted.</u>

• W/13/01232/PN – Mr J Bomford, Spring Hill House – Solar PV panel installation and inverter hut. - WDC reply required within 21 days of 27/06/13 (i.e. 18/07/13) – <u>It was indicated that there were unlikely to be any objections.</u>

<u>Glasshouse Liaison Group</u> – Chair Southcott had been given dates for the next meeting of which Tuesday 23rd July appeared to be favoured.

<u>Housing Needs Survey</u> – WDC Cllr McDonald indicated that the Cropthorne experience had shown local connections although this was challenged by V/chair Mills as being potentially very weak in terms of what residents would expect and like to see actually happen.

Pugh's Yard, Broadway Lane Goods Vehicle Operating Centre Licence Variation – Chair Southcott reported still no apparent development yet.

11. LIGHTING (Clir Carter 860 247) - none

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

V/chair Mills indicated there were some doubts over the exact status and hence responsibilities for Anchor Lane between being a highway, although partially physically restricted, and a footpath, not on the definitive

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map. Likewise there was an issue over whether historic tow paths on the River Avon existed as footpaths with apparent withdrawals and reinstatements in the past. He is investigating both issues.

Cllr Stephens reported that the Wharf Willow had been tidied up for the Walkabout for £180+vat. Further work on the same tree to coppice (or pollard – *exact term disputed*) it was put at around £720+vat. Likewise the removal of a Cherry £60+vat and a Chestnut £270+vat on Old Rectory Green has been recommended. Additional quotes will be sought before any decisions are taken and councillors agreed to inspect the trees immediately following the meeting.

13. RECREATION GROUND/PAVILION (Chair Southcott 861 061, V/chair Mills 860 644, Cllr Anderson 861 191, Cllr Insall 860 909)

Clerk reported that the cricket club had made an effort to tidy up the mobile practice net and he had cleaned out the kissing gate with removal of a concrete trip hazard but it had not yet been decided if a formal step was needed.

14. MYPARISH/WEBSITE/ECOMMUNICATONS (Cllr Day 860 183)

Cllr Day reported he had updated councillor responsibilities and WDC/WCC contact points respectively. He sought advice on reducing the prominence of Bill Llewellyn's eulogy as over three months had passed. This was agreed to whilst keeping a link to it.

15. NEW HOMES BONUS (NHB)

Awards: - Year 1(2011) N/A, Year 2(2012) £1842 x 6, Year 3(2012) none – Total £11052 (protected) Usage: - Defibrillator 1 of 2 £1250 leaving £9802.

Suggestions to date:-

Jubilee – not allowable Older Children Facilities Recreation Ground Car Park – under review Recreation Ground Oak Fencing – under review Additional plantings Footpath maps/aides – under review Speed Gun, Display Board Village Green North tidy up Community Orchard Outdoor Adult Training Machines – Cost too high, Urgency Low A44 boundary signage to Parish Design and installation of meadows interpretation panels – under review School visualizer – not allowable under this scheme

WDC Cllr McDonald warned the Parish Council that central government pressures meant that this bonus, in future only, could be at a reduced rate or even withdrawn.

16. CORRESPONDENCE - none

17. OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

a) The clerk circulated the five applications received for his replacement and asked all councillors to respect the private and confidential nature of the information given to them as it was for council usage only. The main initial selection panel will be Chair, V/chair, Cllrs Insall and Stephens.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)

Monday 23rd September 2013 – 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 15th September 2013.

The meeting closed at 09:15pm.

Signed: Date: