

FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 18th January 2010 at 7:30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury

1. **Present:**
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| W P Llewellyn (Chair) | 2 Parishioners |
| I Southcott (V/chair) | WCC Cllr Eyre |
| D Day | |
| G Mills | |
| T McDonald (WDC Cllr) | |
| A Stephens | |
| M Anderson | Clerk – R J Coles |

Apologies for Absence – Cllr Carter

Resignation – Cllr Worthington has handed in her resignation to the clerk and the election process has been started by WDC on 18/01/10.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Wind farms – personal and prejudicial interests declared by V/chair Southcott.

3. **Approval of Minutes** – Cllr Anderson proposed, seconded by Cllr Stephens, and the meeting agreed that the minutes for the 15th December 2009 be accepted and signed by the Chair.

4. **TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SPEED INDICATORS**

The clerk reported that after a village walk through with WCC's Andy Ashfield it was recommended that the Westcotec equipment at a cost of £2650 be considered, and an approximate cost of £650 for any additional posts be required if existing posts (mainly lampposts) could not be used or converted. The two main areas thought to be of benefit of such temporary signalling were the lamppost at the Moorings, Station Rd opposite the entrance to Coach Drive, slowing traffic approaching the blind bend around the social club, village hall and school from the north and a new post at Millbank slowing traffic entering the dangerously narrowing area of the nearby houses from the south. Another possible site could be the lamppost outside the church gate which although on the 'wrong side' for southerly approaching traffic to the school offered the clearance required that the other side outside the Monastery could not due to the trees but existing cars parked outside Church Cottages already act as a major speed deterrent in this area.

Chair Llewellyn suggested sites before the Railway Bridge which had been considered but would require new posts and have little further effect not already offered by the narrowing of the bridge and its warning signs already in place. He also suggested the lamppost at the recreation ground gate which had been rejected due to '60 metre visibility requirement' and nearby trees obscuring, a new post further down the recreation ground embankment would be more suitable if necessary but had an additional cost when compared to the nearby Moorings 'free' solution.

All councillors were asked to familiarise themselves with all the areas and issues concerned so that the subject could be progressed at the next meeting.

The meeting closed for ten minutes for parishioners to talk to councillors.

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a) Affordable Housing – V/chair Southcott reported that he was due to meet with Mr Nigel Potter on Monday morning, 25th January to progress the issue.
- b) Tennis Club 'Greenfield' lease condition – The clerk reported that the tennis club had not responded and Cllr Anderson ask that their representative be asked to contact him.
- c) Parish Trees – This item was carried forward.
- d) Pool Garden Tree – The clerk was asked to contact WCC, Mr Roy Fullee, in order to seek permission to plant this tree on their verge next to the Pool Garden. It was noted that their had been concerns expressed over any trees on this area by the resident of The Barn, Lazy Lane.

- e) Old Rectory Green ownership – Cllr Anderson requested that historic information was necessary and Cllr Mills agreed to approach Mr Shelley. The rectory had burnt down in 1968 and the new properties would appear to have been completed by 1973 with at least two developers concerned (with the first appearing to have gone out of business during the building phase).
- f) Micro Generation at Weir - Cllr Stephens is following up after consultations with the Pershore project which indicated that it required a substantial local user rather than just a group of private households.

6. PARISH PLAN

The clerk reported that Mrs Jane Bugg and others would attend an informal discussion with the Parish Council after the next meeting on Monday, 22nd February 2010 at about 8:30 for 9pm. V/chair Southcott reported that he had approached Peter Head with regards to the potential of a 'basketball area' in the recreation ground northern border. Mr Head is to approach WDC who were looking at the costing. Following the submission of a list of Pplan items and other mainly church related issues by Mrs Jane Bugg during the meeting closure for parishioners to address councillors above it was agreed that the list would be fully addressed at the next meeting.

7. POLICING

The main issue would appear to be parking on the pavements at Yew Tree Cottage and Farm Street junction. The clerk was asked to pass on the issue to the police to consider although parking is now the responsibility of WDC; their coverage of the village and the area particularly out of normal hours is none existent.

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

WCC Cllr Eyre submitted a two page detailed report that will be included in the next circulation pack. This covered key activities, assessment report on WCC's services (marked 3 out of 4), shared services with district councils to save money (WCC's alternative to unitary councils), asset usage, Council Tax 2.5% at consultation stage, Corporate Plan 2009-13, Economic strategy, Adult safeguarding, future arrangements for waste disposal, choice & control for older people and the national online crime map (<http://maps.police.uk>).

During the discussions the issue of the part destruction of the Porters Path particularly by Network Rail overgrowth from the south and agricultural usage from the north was raised. WCC footpaths are well aware of the ongoing situation over the past few years but nothing appears to have been done! The Parish Council's use of the probationary services has been severely curtailed by their preference to deal with WCC who set their own priorities. WCC Cllr Eyre agreed to pursue the matter with great urgency.

The A44 resurfacing is still subject to complex legal discussions with previous contractors and if monies not forthcoming may have to be delayed by the tremendous recent weather related damage to many of the counties highways taking priority in the finances.

WDC Cllr McDonald submitted a three page detailed report that will be included in the next circulation pack. This covered the minimal effect of snow on activities, 50% of savings target identified, improvements in streamlining/reducing planning resources with national recognition, Brine Bath project at Droitwich, traveller enforcement at Charlton, new traveller planning application at Upper Moor opposite existing encampment, flooding grants at Charlton and Evesham High Street cheap car parking during enhancement works on Mondays and Tuesdays, and the Icelandic Government/Banks dispute with the UK and WDC.

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/09/02796/PP – Mr & Mrs A Train, Glen Villa, Paynes Lane – Proposed extensions to form a garden room, sitting room and utility at ground floor level and bedroom above** – A no objection response was filed see following.
- **As above Amendment – Change of size in a ground floor window** – A no objection response was filed and permission has been granted.

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- **W/09/03013/PP & W/09/03037/LB – Mr T Seaton, Little Manor Cottage, Station Rd/Coach Drive – Erection of new timber garden shed, alterations to double gates at side entry and fence on top of listed building boundary wall to be reduced in height – A no objection response has been filed and a decision is awaited.**

Cllr Day reported that there was no wind farm developments since the last meeting except the expected Environmental Impact Survey (EIS) due at the end of last year had not been released yet.

V/chair Southcott reported that he was active in pursuing the potential joint meetings with glasshouse operators. It was agreed that Fladbury elected councillors be on any such group and should also lead it due to the site being in the parish.

10. FINANCE

- a) Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Anderson, and the meeting agreed to accept the Receipts and Payments A/C up to 18/01/10 for chair to sign.

b)	Invoices for Payment from above approval –	£
45	Tennis Club*/gross	-456.92 revenue gross
1429	67 Superiorclean pav nov/dec	300.00
1430	68 npower pav	117.83
1431	69 npower lighting 4Q09 - 3Q09/9	645.65
1432	70 Tennis Club*/Rates	535.12 costs gross
1433	71 clerk sal/all/exp dec	335.75
	memo - Tennis Club net cheque	£78.20* costs net

11. LIGHTING

With Cllr Carter absent the clerk reported that no invoice had been received for the Chantry lamppost damage caused by the Jewson vehicle, in fact the Parish Council appears to have received no repair invoices for some time. It was noted again that the lamppost outside The Moorings, Station Rd was very loose and required resetting, the clerk will contact Cllr Carter. One of three lampposts requiring remedial repainting is outstanding (near the end of Broadway Lane) the clerk will progress.

12. FOOTPATHS – Cllr Mills will report.

Cllr Mills had nothing further to report apart from noting above the major problem with the Porter's Path (north of railway, third field from Lower Moor, first field from Fladbury after Orchard fencing).

13. CORRESPONDENCE

19th December 2009

1	PHS	Newsletter Oct/Nov
2	Comm 1 st	Newslin Autumn
3	C&C	Direct Nov
4	WCC	Warden Newsletter Oct
5	WCC	Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership
6	Police	Policing Matters Group – Wychavon
7	WM	Planning Aid Service Autumn
8	CPRE	Fieldwork Dec
9	LCR	Winter mag
10	WDC	Free Energy Advice
11	WCC	Partnership Matters Autumn/Winter
12	WDC McD	15/12/09 report
13	WCC Eyre	15/12/09 report
14	PHS	Newsletter Dec
15	WCC	Budget Consultation Meetings

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14. OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

- a) It was noted that Cllrs Carter and Stephens would attend the Gypsies and Travellers discussion evening at WDC Civic Centre at 6pm on Wednesday 24th February 2010.
- b) It was requested that a procedures card could be produced to cover parishioners attending a Parish Council meeting and could be a topic for the Annual Parish Meeting on 29th March 2010.
- c) All Cllrs were asked to consider topics for the Annual Parish Meeting.
- d) V/chair Southcott reported minor irritating vandalism at the school over Christmas period. The clerk indicated that the night time lighting near the rear of the village hall was not working, V/chair Southcott agreed to report it to the school.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)

Monday 22nd February – 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 14th February 2010.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed:

Date: