

**CASTLEMORTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Draft Minutes of a Meeting of Castlemorton Parish Council held on**  
**Thursday 10 July 2014 at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs: Angus Golightly (Chair), Don Lupton, Barbara Wilkes, Anne Cotterell, \*\*Beverley Bradshaw, Jerry Fryman, Ben Wiggins and David Smallwood

**In Attendance:** D.Cllr.Roger Cousins,\*CCllr Wells & Mrs C Leake (Clerk)

**Members of the Public:** 0

**43 /2014. Apologies**

Cllr.Mary Watts - apologies received and accepted.

**44/2014. Declarations of interest**

1. *Register of Interests.* None
2. *To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and/or Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) in items on the agenda and their nature.* None
3. *To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)* None

**45/2014. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

It was **RESOLVED** that the draft minutes of the annual meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> May 2014 were a true record of the meeting.

**46/2014 Matters Arising**

- **Ref: 39/14 CAB Community Champions.** Disappointing lack of response to efforts in providing an information resource in the village. Consideration to trialling in a larger village in conjunction with another resource already in operation. Eg Welland. Church or Hall.
- **Ref; 05/14 Mail box** returned on newly installed post at entrance to Golden Valley, although not considered the most suitable site and poorly fixed to pole despite Parish Council efforts to be involved in site discussions and clerk to report this fact to Royal Mail.
- **Ref:46/13 Horse Hill - Hollybed Street (Churchlands Ditch).** Remedial work has been completed by land owner and Parish Council to arrange short continuation of ditch down the side of highway to divert storm water away from road.

**47/2014. Planning**

Report of planning applications **received/decided** since last meeting was noted

14/00414/FUL	Walk Farm Castlemorton Malvern WR13 6BN	Proposed garage	MHDC Approve
14/00415/FUL	Walk Farm Castlemorton Malvern WR13 6BN	Proposed repositioning of agricultural buildings	MHDC Approve
14/00475/FUL	Building at The Farthing, Gloucester Road Castlemorton	Conversion of redundant building to residential use.	MHDC Refused
14/00416/00417 FUL/LBC	Walk Farm and Ridgemore Barn, Castlemorton, Worcestershire, WR13 6BN	Installation of 10 kW solar PV array as two arrays of 20 modules. Each Array is 10m wide by 3m deep and 2m high.	MHDC Approved
14/00650/FUL	Micklefield Cottage Welland Stone Upton	Install menage for equestrian use.	MHDC Approved

	Upon Severn WR8 0RW		
14/00716/REM	Eight Oaks Farm Castlemorton WR13 6BU	Application with all matters reserved of an agricultural worker's dwelling	Recommend Approve
14/00645/HOU	Hawthorn Cottage New Road Castlemorton WR13 6BT	Replacement side extension	Recommend Approve
14/00698/HOU	Mansfield Church Road Castlemorton WR13 6BH	Addition of two small flat roof extensions to the rear of the property, to provide extra storage and en-suite. Ivory rendering of all external walls of property.	Recommend Approve
14/0074/HOU	6 The Reddings Castlemorton WR13 6AA	Erection of Conservatory (Retrospective)	Recommend Approve

**Reference: 04/14.** Lawful Development Certificates -The chairman confirmed the letter had been given to Mrs Harriet Baldwin MP and a reply received from Nick Boles MP -Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Planning)

In summary the response indicated that the responsibility for the management of the consideration of the legal aspects of lawful development certificates lay with the local authority and as such the matter of concern should be raised with MHDC.

MHDC's concern is with possible successful and costly appeals on the part of an applicant.

It was **RESOLVED** that a suitable letter would be sent to MHDC seeking its reply to this response and illustrated with a recently approved application dramatically increasing the size of a presently modest bungalow with copies to the MP's.

#### **48/2014 District and County Councillor Reports**

DCllr Cousins reported with additional comment from \*CCllr Wells upon his arrival on:

- Recent discussion within MHDC about proposals for a shared Chief Executive. (MHDC and Whychavon). He was of the opinion it was seen overall as invigorating and cost effective but was aware of others' concerns. There is the potential for government money to support this proposal but there seems uncertainty to some about the extent of terms and conditions. Is it more than a CE appointment, includes senior officers?
- SWDP – extra housing as requested identified for inspectors consideration.
- Broadband – support funding agreed from WCC via government infrastructure funding and so hopefully will include Castlemorton.
- CALC – looking to maintain reduced income from WCC with increased Parish/Town council subs over a number of years. Monies to be used more for training projects rather than general administration. This is a good resource and hopefully it can be maintained.

CCllr Wells continued with

- Consideration for joint village Neighbourhood Plans.
- Explanation on project work presently with Ringway highway contractors. The latter have been contracted by WCC for responsibility of programming, project managing and supplying to completion all projects in their care. So in traditional terms there is no longer a position of responsibility for signing off prior to payment. WCC aim for management savings. A state of affairs not considered satisfactory by the Parish Council  
This form of contraction will also eventually apply to other WCC services including social and adult care.

- School highway to be redone over holidays.
- Safety Camera Partnership looking to site mobile unit in Pendock.

#### **49/2014. Parish Hall Trust**

- David Parry – Solicitor - Confirmed land purchase completed 28<sup>th</sup> May 2014. Consideration to the matters to be completed within the next 6 weeks of completion, boundary fencing and water supply. Quotes received and discussed. It was **RESOLVED** to appoint fencing contractor N. Kinahan costing £1650 plus VAT.
- A further general outline of the prospective work and costs to enhance the community space was discussed. Planning for new access with gate, planting of new hedge and trees, level ground, re seed and lay down new parking surface.
- Approximate planned project expenditure to date £32,000.
- Income to date including Parish Council contribution from reserves, donation from Parish Hall Trust is £25,000.
- Shortfall of nearly £10,000.
- Plan of action considered to include fund raising, seeking grants and public support.

**RESOLVED** to appoint Cllrs Lupton, Watts, Fryman and Smallwood as delegated councillors with responsibility, to make decisions (at least 3 cllrs), pertaining to the ongoing project work within agreed budget.

Future of **Glass recycling bins** outside the Hall in light of new local authority facilities for most properties in the parish. Agreed to put a notice in Parish Magazine seeking interest in retaining these bins.

\*\*Cllr. Bradshaw left the meeting.

#### **50/2014. Highways**

- Cllr Smallwood reported on general matters relating to various satisfactory pot holes repairs and culvert sites.
- Chevron to be sited at the top of Feathers Pitch. Ref 23/14.
- It was **RESOLVED** that the Bus Shelter will be demolished by a local contractor who will clear the site.
- Consider using same contractor to carry out necessary ditching work at the top of Hollybed Street to allow water to pass down side of road and to create passing place half way up. Seek a quote.

#### **51/2014. Finance Report**

##### **Income and Payments**

It was **RESOLVED** that the following income be noted & payments agreed:

	£	£	Description
Balance: 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2014		<b>4054.39</b>	
<b>Add Income</b>		0.00	
<b>Less Expenditure pre-meeting</b>			
C Leake	229.73		Clerk
<b>Less Expenditure at meeting</b>			
<b>D Smallwood</b>	34.98		Reimburse Exps.
<b>Balance at close of meeting 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>		<b>3789.68</b>	

Cllr Smallwood requested a Parish Council application form pertaining to Section 137 Grants be prepared for applicants. He would present a suitable document for consideration before next meeting.

**52/2014 Correspondence**

A list of the Correspondence received, was advised by the clerk to councillors and hardcopies were available for Councillors to view.

**53/2014 Lengthsman.**

Advise Lengthsman about collection of VAS for Hollybush during August.

**54/2014. Any Other Business/Items for the next Meeting:**

- Clerk request - reminder about guillotine!
- 4C's meeting May 29<sup>th</sup>.

**55/2014. Next Meetings**

**RESOLVED** that the next meeting will be Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2014 with the following meetings provisionally. Note date change for May meeting

6<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2015, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 (Election year)

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.45pm

Signed .....

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