# At the Meeting of Grimley Parish Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2012 in The Peace Hall, Sinton Green commencing at 7.45pm

**Present:** B R Woodhouse (Chairman) Mrs P Ayers Mrs A Davies B Jones

D G Lewis\* G Rowberry Mrs M Weston DCllr D Clarke

Mrs S Hughes - Clerk

**Apologies:** D Arr (accepted) S Haslewood WCCllr A Davies

- a) Declarations of Interest for a) the Meeting & b) Any Changes to be Notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality: There were none.
- **To Receive a Report from the Local Policing Officer**There was no Report.
- 64/12 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012, having been previously circulated, were **approved** and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

65/12 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

There were none

Closure of the meeting to allow the public present to speak on any matters relating to Grimley Parish.

**66/12** Report from Worcestershire County Councillor

CCIIr Davies had tendered his apologies for the meeting but had advised that he had viewed the site of the well on Monkwood Green and attended the recent meeting of the Ball Mill Liaison Cttee (see Min 73b).

67/12 Report from Malvern Hills District Councillor

DCIIr Dean Clarke had no additional items to raise.

- 68/12 Planning: a) To consider planning applications referred by MHDC for comment: There were none.
  - b) To Consider Under the Scheme of Delegation any Planning Applications received between publication of this agenda and the Meeting: There were none.
  - c) Details of Decision Notices Received from MHDC: There were none.
  - **d) Grimley Raceway:** Members noted that the Chief Executive and officers had declined to attend a meeting with local parishioners to discuss a way forward with regard to noise nuisance. The District Councillor had suggested that progress is made through Worcestershire Regulatory Services. The latter could not act until a new 'licence'/notice had been served on the site owners by MHDC.

Following discussions it was **agreed** to pursue a meeting with Regulatory Services to both fully understand the current position and seek a way forward.

Members noted that a Parish Council as a body cannot complain to the Ombudsman concerning the lack of action by MHDC, that route was open to individuals only but there was a strong possibility that the Parish Council could report the lack of action to the Department for Communities & Local Government: the clerk to investigate further.

**e) MHDC Planning Training Events:** The clerk referred to the previously circulated timetable. Five councillors indicated a willingness to attend on the session on the 28<sup>th</sup> June and one councillor in October. Future attendance at events to be reviewed at each meeting.

### **69/12** Matters Arising from the Parish Meeting See Min 73b.

#### 70/12 Highways & Footpaths

- **a) Worlds End:** Members noted that the repair of the various drains and gulleys within the area had yet to be completed. The clerk to contact the Highways Authority.
- **b) Blocked Ditch:** It was **agreed** that the clerk should once again contact the local parishioner responsible for clearing the ditch opposite Pebbles in Worlds End.

#### 71/12 Sinton Green

- **a) Bulrushes in the Pond:** The clerk to try to ascertain a method of disposal of the bulrushes to be removed as 'contaminated material'.
- **b) Mowing & Ditches:** Members noted the poor quality of the mowing on Sinton Green and the complete lack of any work over the ditches and around the pond. Following discussion, it was **agreed** that the clerk should request an urgent cut to ensure that the area was clear for the Jubilee event.

The Lengthsman to be asked to lift the level of some of the lower tree branches to allow for easier access when mowing.

#### 72/12 Monkwood Green

- **a) Cattle:** The cattle had been TB tested and once the appropriate certificates had been received would be sold. It had been necessary to renew the Annual Insurance policy: excess payment to be reclaimed once the cattle were sold.
- **b) Water opposite The Moorlands:** Members noted that a large amount of water had collated on The Green opposite The Moorlands. The Lengthsman to try to ascertain the source of the problem.

#### 73/12 Report from Representatives on

- a) Peace Hall Management Committee: Cllr Jones advised that there appeared to be problems with the roof which would require further investigation.
- **b)** Ball Mill Liaison Committee: At the recent meeting of the Committee, Tarmac Ltd had expressed no concerns over the rising water levels. Although described as a site visit, it was noted that the members had not walked the area as it was too wet.
- **c) Grimley Smaller Charities:** The exchange of land was progressing through relevant solicitors.
- **74/12 Finance: a) To Receive and Accept the end of year accounts:** The chairman spoke to the previously circulated accounts. Following brief discussions these were accepted for inclusion in Section 1 of the Annual Return.

- b) To Consider & Accept the completed accounts for audit 2011/12 and completion of the Annual Return: Members carefully considered and completed the relevant questions of Section 2 of the Annual Return which was then signed by both Chairman and clerk.
- **c) Works for the Lengthsman:** Works on and around Sinton Green were detailed.
- **d) Payment of Accounts:** Members **approved** the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule (attached).

#### **75/12** Correspondence

- a) Any Matters Arising from the CALC Circulars: There were none
- **b)** Community Bus Service Proposal: Members noted the scheduled meeting for Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> May: Cllrs Ayers, Davies & Weston to attend.
- **c) Jubilee Tree Planting:** The chairman of the Jubilee Committee had requested permission to plant a tree on both Monkwood and Sinton Greens. Members readily agreed to consider the request once the exact location and type of tree were known.

76/12	Date of Next Scheduled Meeting:	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2012 at 7.30pm
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Chairman	
	(18 <sup>th</sup> June 2012)

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

## Appendix 1: Schedule of Payments 21<sup>st</sup> May 2012 Payment of Accounts: The undermentioned accounts were approved for payment:

			£
775	NFU Mutual	Annual Subscription	358.17
783	Worcs CALC	Annual Subscription & Training	268.92
784	cancelled cheque on file		
785	Broker Network Ltd	Annual Insurance Premium	455.14

Chairman	
	(18 <sup>th</sup> June 2012)