

**At the Meeting of Grimley Parish Council held on 20th May 2013
in The Peace Hall, Sinton Green commencing at 7.40pm**

Present: B R Woodhouse (Chairman) Mrs P Ayers S Haslewood B Jones
D Lewis* Mrs M Weston

In Attendance: WCCllr P Grove DCllr D Clarke Mrs S Hughes - Clerk

Apologies: D Arr (accepted) Mrs A Davies G Rowberry

68/13 Declarations of Interest

a) Register of Interests: There were no changes notified

b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.

c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.

69/13 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011): There were none.

70/13 Report from the Local Police Officer

Despite a reminder from the clerk, there had been no response from the police with regard to parking in Grimley Lane or parking on Sinton Green.

71/13 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 15th April 2013, having been previously circulated were **approved** and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

72/13 Matters Arising from the Minutes Not Listed Elsewhere on the Agenda

There were none

Closure of the meeting to allow the public present to speak on any matters relating to Grimley Parish. There were no parishioners present.

* Cllr David Lewis arrived during the following item.

73/13 Report of the County Councillor

The chairman welcomed the newly elected County Councillor Phil Grove, to the meeting. Cllr Grove stated that he looked forward to his new role and challenges within the Division.

Cllr Grove advised that each County Councillor would continue to receive £10k per annum to benefit Division parishioners: he had already decided to support a mental health charity within the voluntary sector. He invited groups within the parish to suggest other projects which might benefit preferably where there was already match funding available.

Equally, each county councillor would have £10k available pa to spend on small highway projects. Members advised that a section of new footway near to Grimley Crossroads had been promised for this financial year. Cllr Grove volunteered to check that this section was still on the Highways schedule.

74/13 Report of the MH District Councillor

Cllr Dean Clarke highlighted the work being undertaken at the Chantry School with youngsters aged between 17 and 21 and not in work, education or training.

He advised that the Raceway operator had appealed against the noise abatement notice issued by the District Council. The matter would shortly progress through the Magistrates Court.

75/13 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) To Confirm the Actions of the Clerk in Consultation with all Members in submitting the following comments to the LPA:

13/00424/LBC Fitting disabled access doorway in place of existing window. Salways Barn, Moseley Road

Members raised no objections to this application

d) Notice of Planning Appeals:

12/00973/FUL Erection of 5 bed unit with access and garaged parking Land adj New Inn, Sinton Green *Refused 7th September*
Notice of Appeal Received 18th April 2013

12/00301/FUL Single storey building for B1 light industrial/offices Elgar Business Centre, Moseley Road

Amended description Erection of a single storey building for B2 general industrial.

Amended description Erection of single storey building for B1 Business of Use Classes Order 2010

Elgar Business Centre, Moseley Road
Refused 7th February 2013

Notice of Appeal Received 26th April 2013

e) Grimley Raceway: The District Councillor had given an update earlier in the meeting.

f) MHDC Quality Tour: Members highlighted their concerns with various developments in the open countryside and suggested three sites for the tour.

76/13 Highways & Footpaths

a) Highway Surface, A43 Hallow/Grimley Parish Boundary: Members had noted that the repairs had been completed by Severn Trent and that the water was no longer running onto the carriageway.

b) Highway Problems caused by Parked Vehicles in Grimley Lane:

Members highlighted the major highway and access problems caused by bird-watchers parking thoughtlessly in Grimley Lane. Following considerable discussion, members agreed to seek the support of the local landowners, the Highways Department and police to prevent cars parking in the area.

c) 'No Fly-tipping Signs': A parishioner had requested the placement of five 'no fly-tipping' signs at various sites off the A443 and into Grimley Village. Members considered that the problems were no greater at present than at any time in the past 10 years or so. They were unanimous in their opposition to signs in the village and agreed to monitor the parish over the next few months and report any further occurrences of fly-tipping.

d) Drains, Grimley Village: A parishioner had highlighted the fact that the drains in Grimley Village had not been cleared for a very long period. The clerk to contact the Highways Department.

e) Landslip between Sinton Green and Monkwood: It was noted that although the embankment slippage had been cleared from the highway in the winter there had been no proper re-instatement of the area and that there was further soil movement following heavy rain. The clerk to request further attention to the area by Highways.

77/13 Monkwood Green

a) Ditch Near to Green Farm: The chairman advised that the ditch appeared to have been cleared. It was agreed to monitor the situation during the next period of heavy rain.

b) Clearance of Willow Trees: A local resident had suggested that a contractor may be interested in using the willow whips for weaving. It was agreed that the clerk should contact the contractor: if he no longer wished to use the willow it should be cleared from site and burnt.

78/13 Sinton Green

a) Parking on Sinton Green: The chairman referred members to the earlier discussions with the local Police Inspector. It was **agreed** to await her written advice prior to taking any further action.

b) Kerbing, Sinton Green: The clerk to report the collapsed kerbing opposite the telephone box on Sinton Green once again.

79/13 Finance

a) Works for the Lengthsman: Verges and triangles in Grimley Village.

b) Request for Funding from the Wichenford Local Heritage Group: The Group had asked for a delay in payment of the grant until they had heard from other local parish councils.

c) To Consider & Approve the payment of outstanding accounts: Members **approved** the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule (attached).

d) Mowing Contracts 2013/14: Members considered the quotations and **agreed** to award the contract to Simon Skeys. It was agreed to request that Sinton Green be mown late in the week prior to the Fete.

e) To Agree & Sign the Accounts for 2012/2013: The clerk spoke to the previously circulated accounts. Following discussion on the reserves, members **accepted** the accounts for accuracy

f) To Complete and Sign the forms for External Audit: It was proposed, seconded and **agreed** to sign Section 1 of the External Audit form.

Following checks on various sections, it was proposed, seconded and **agreed** to sign Section 2, the Annual Governance Statement.

80/13 Correspondence

a) Any Matters Arising from the CALC Circulars: There were none.

b) Circulation Envelope: The following items were circulated:
 Clerks & Councils Direct May: CPRE Improve Travel Choices:
 MHDC News Update Spring.

82/13 Date of Future Meetings: 15th July & 19th August

Chairman
 (17th June 2013)

Appendix 1: Schedule of Payments 20th May 2013**Payment of Accounts:** The undermentioned accounts were approved for payment:

			£
834	Simon Skeys	Lengthsman April & May	132.00
835	Worcs CALC	Annual Subscription & Training	281.92
836	Simon Skeys Gardening Services	Trial Cut, Sinton Green	55.00
837	Susan Hughes	April Net Salary	332.35

Chairman
(17th June 2013)