



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON 12th OCTOBER MONDAY 2022 AT 7.30PM IN LACEY GREEN VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cathryn Davies (Chair), Roger Craft (Vice Chair), Miv Hughes, Keith Bowler, Philip Suter, Tim MacGillivray, Clerk – Frank Post. Carl Etholen (Unitary).

7 members of the public were in attendance.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from Cllr Jean Roberts.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the last Council meeting held on 4th September 2022 were **approved** and signed by the Chair. **FP**

4. MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Cllr Bowler reported that the Whip Inn has a For Sale sign attached to the property.

5. REPORT FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Etholen confirmed that the repairs to the bollard/bin adjacent to Speen Stores were being actioned.

Cllr Etholen updated Council on the issues regarding bin collections. He also confirmed that Bledlow Recycling Centre was scheduled to reopen in November following a Unitary Council meeting on 22nd September. It was noted that the CIC would remain in place until the conclusion of the reopening. **CE**

Cllr Craft noted that the transfer of tenancy for Post Master General at Speen Stores was still outstanding.

Cllr Suter highlighted the problems in Speen regarding planning notifications to neighbours, notices being put up outside the wrong properties or across the road not adjacent to the property in question. Council agreed with Cllr Etholen to put these concerns into a letter to Planning. **FP/CE**

Arrangements for Remembrance Day were also discussed to ensure effective representation across the Parish.

CD/RC/CE

Cllr Davies also **agreed** to investigate the availability of the "Nurse" silhouette. **CD**

The continued infringements by cars at St John's school yellow lines was **agreed** to be addressed by visits of the civil reinforcement officer. **CE**

Concluding his report Cllr Etholen confirmed the next meeting of the Community Board on 6th December.

6. ACV SUBMISSION OF KING WILLIAM IV

The ACV nomination form for the King William IV will be modified to accommodate observations from the Principal Officer of Governance Services at Buckinghamshire Council.

FP

The nomination form for the Whip Inn will be considered at the next meeting.

FP/JR

7. SPEEN POND

Latest proposals by members of SEAG and BBOWT and were discussed in detail. The Council confirmed it had no fundamental objections to the proposals and associated costs. It was agreed to complete all the relevant forms, ensuring that there was effective project management to ensure the actions are sufficiently incremental.FP

8. PLAYGROUND RISK ASSESSMENTS AND REPAIRS

Cllrs Roberts and Davies still to visit playground and assess remedial action. Cllr MacGillivray to liaise with service provider to undertake cosmetic upgrades.

CD/JR/TM

9. MVAS UPDATE

Meeting scheduled for 17th October involving 6 local councils and representatives from Swarco.

FP

10. GRANT APPLICATION – SPEEN PLAYING FIELDS

It was **agreed** by Cllrs that the application for a grant toward the replacement of the mower should be approved for the sum of £1000.00.

FP

11. BUS STOP ST JOHNS

Facelift well received. PRTC to be contacted regarding tree debris clearance.

FP

12. GARDEN OF REST PROMOTION

Cllr Hughes confirmed that article with supporting pics had been submitted to Hallmark.

13. OVERGROWN HEDGE – MAIN ROAD LACEY GREEN

Response from the owner still outstanding.

FP

14. NEW BENCH LOOSLEY ROW

The offer for a bench for Loosley Row from the Community Board was gratefully received. Cllr MacGillivray undertook to finalise location.

TM

15. TRAFFIC CALMING

Council **agreed** to proceed with installation of Trevello strips at a cost of £425.00 plus VAT.

FP/CE/RC

Cllr MacGillivray noted his intention to attend the first Speedwatch meeting.

TM

16. FOUNDRY LANE – HGVS

Concerns expressed by parishioners regarding access of HGV into the lower section of Loosley Hill were also discussed.

It was **agreed** to highlight the issue to the Traffic Action Group of the Community Board as a matter of urgency

CE

17. DOG WASTE BIN SIGN COVERAGE

Various options were tabled for consideration. It was **agreed** to submit a short article for Hallmark encouraging Parishioners to return any dog waste to their own refuse bins. The specification of the signs and appropriate locations needs to be finalised.

TM/PS

18. GRANT APPLICATION FOR ST JOHNS PRIMARY GARDEN

Council **agreed** to provide a £250.00 grant toward the sensory enhancement project for the school garden. **FP**

19. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL CONTROLS

Cllrs confirmed that the policy had been reviewed and considered satisfactory. **FP**

20. POSTING OF INTERIM FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

Clerk confirmed posting on website as requested by external auditor. **FP**

21. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were reviewed and comments noted: **FP**

Ref	Property	Application	Comment
22/07163/FUL	Orchard Cottage	Construction of 2 storey side,single front & side, garage	No objection
	Studridge Lane		
	Speen		
22/07248/FUL	Woodway House	Construction of front porch	No Objection
	Woodway House		
	Loosley Row		
22/07280/FUL	The Old Dairy	Construction of single storey rear extension	No Objection
	Chapel Hill	and conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation	
	Speen		
22/07320/FUL	Holly Bank	Excavation to front and conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation	No Objection
	Lower Road		but Highways
	Loosley Row		to note concerns about access for HGVs removing excavation spoils

Note: applications **22/06811/FUL**, **22/06601/FUL**, **22/06292/FUL** were refused. The application relating to Omega Cottage was withdrawn.

22. PAYMENTS

The following payments had been circulated and reviewed and were **approved**: **FP**

Activity	Payee	Gross	Comment
Salary	F Post	363.60	Sept Salary pre amendment of std order
Back Pay	F Post	7.32	Back pay for Sept
Expenses	F Post	5.26	Fasthosts Aug & Sept

Administration	PB Financial Solutions	60.00	Payroll Apr 22 to Sept 22
Expenses	F Post	10.88	Stamps
Devolved Services	PRTC	260.76	Grass Cutting 3/8
Risk Assessment	K Dobson	39.00	Sept
Maintenance	VES	415.00	Replacement Picnic Table - Playground
Dog Bins	VES	390.00	13 wks Jul - Sept
Maintenance	Pete Galvin	400.00	Interior Bus Shelter
Maintenance	Pete Galvin	680.00	Exterior Bus Shelter
Maintenance	Tim MacGillivray	79.98	Paint for Bus Shelter
Allowances	F Post	20.00	4 weeks Sept
		2731.80	

23. RESPONSES TO CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

None.

24. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

Cllr Davies noted her recent meeting with BALC.

Representatives of the Council attended the funeral of Don White (long standing Chairman of Council) on 4th October.

25. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

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- ACV – the Whip Inn
- Hedge - Main Road
- MVAS update
- Speen Pond
- Playground Assessments and Repairs
- Entry Gate by Walters Ash
- Replacement Notice Board for Speen
- Traffic Calming
- Review of current standing orders and direct debits
- Dates for 2023

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7.30pm 7th November 2022: – Lacey Green Village Hall

Meeting closed at 10.15 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....