

LITTLE BRICKHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th July 2015 at 7.45pm in the Community Centre, Little Brickhill, Milton Keynes.

Present:

Cllr G Bushell
 Cllr J Moseley
 Cllr D Lewis
 Cllr D Hopkins (Ward Councillor)
 Cllr V Hopkins (Ward Councillor)

In attendance:

Mr A Kemp (Clerk)
 Sarah Hine (MKC – Planning)
 Kanchan Sharma (MKC – Planning)
 Mr R Pearce (Resident)
 Mrs C Ho-Yen (Resident)
 Mrs D Bushell (Local Resident)
 Miss B Sinfield (Resident)
 Mrs I McCrory (Resident)
 Mrs L Walker (Resident)
 Mr G Burke (Resident)

1. Apologies for Absence:	ACTION
Cllr T Wheaton and Cllr A Bramall (Ward Councillor)	
<p>2. Public Open Session: 2533</p> <p>2.1 – Kanchan Sharma and Sarah Hine from MKC (Planning Department) attended the meeting to provide an update to the Parish Council on the planning application, 15/01148/FUL for the redevelopment of the former petrol filling station site on Watling Street.</p> <p>A record of the update that was given is noted below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be further plans submitted in the near future to reduce the proposed dwellings by one to five. • The applicant has agreed to change the design of the dwellings to two storeys • The layout of access to the garages will also be changed. • Draft plans taking into account some of the changes mentioned above were available to view at the meeting this evening. <p>Two questions were raised by a members of the public and are noted below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What materials will be allowed? The response from the Planning Officer was that no details are available at this moment in time with the planning application but as discussions proceed, there could be a condition attached to planning approval that they must have a design that fits into the character of the village. • What will happen with the existing grass verge in front of the site? The response from the Planning Officer was that the applicant will be asked to produce a landscaping plan that they will have to adhere to. <p>In summary the Parish Council and members of the public present at the meeting tonight were happy with MKC and how their negotiations with the applicant were progressing. Further plans will be circulated to the Parish Council when available in the future.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Kanchan Sharma and Sarah Hine for attending the meeting tonight.</p> <p>2.2 – It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council by a local resident that there is a problem with a decaying and dangerous pavement on Great Brickhill Lane close to Wyness Avenue. <u>This was noted and will be reported to MKC.</u></p> <p>2.3 - It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council by a local resident that hedge near the notice board on Great Brickhill Lane was overhanging the pavement again. <u>This was noted and will be reported to MKC.</u></p>	
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<p>2.4 – Watsons Field – unsocial behaviour: Clerk advised that he had received several complaints recently from local residents and a brief summary is noted below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More people are using the play area from outside the village since it was upgraded. • People are leaving litter and soiled nappies on the field. • Someone (not Milton Keynes Council) is advertising the play area on Facebook. <p>Following discussion it was agreed that Parish Councillors would monitor the situation on a regular basis, but also to seek further advice from MKC (Environmental Services) and Thames Valley Police as soon as possible.</p> <p>2.5 - It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council by a local resident that the litter bin on Great Brickhill Lane (near the notice board) is always overflowing and asked if MKC could be contacted to establish how often the bin is emptied.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>3. Declaration of Interest: 2534 It was noted that Cllr Bushell declared an interest in item 6.9 by confirming that he had corresponded on this issue on a personal basis.</p>	
<p>4. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 1st June 2015.</p> <p>Minutes signed and approved.</p>	
<p>5. Progress Report on matters from last Minutes: 2535</p> <p>5.1 - Play Equipment Upgrade.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included in the project costs were for two new seats to be installed and it was agreed to approach Frosts for costs etc. • Clerk will request MKC to pay the Parish Partnership grant to LBPC when the new seats have been purchased and installed. • Clerk confirmed that he was chasing WREN for a date when the outstanding payment of £11,397.50 will be made to LBPC. • Clerk advised that as part of the Insurance conditions that a weekly visual inspection of the play equipment is required and that he would draft a checklist as soon as possible. <u>Cllr Lewis and the Clerk would discuss this issue before the next meeting.</u> • Clerk confirmed that he had asked the contractor to check the Multi-play item for signs of rust and how much it would cost to replace the O's and X's that have been stolen. <p>5.2 – Development of the Website: Clerk advised that the agenda and minutes are now available to view on the website and that further pages will be populated in August 2015 when there is no Parish Council meeting. <u>On-going.</u></p> <p>5.3 – (Item 2.2.7 of meeting 01/09/14) – It was highlighted that the barrier on the island at the top of the village, was still waiting to be repaired, despite being damaged a long time ago. Clerk confirmed that MKC had re-logged the issue again with MKC on the 1st June 2015 (reference 606905). <u>No change.</u></p> <p>5.4 - (Item 6.2 of meeting 01/06/15) - Letter received in May 2015 from The Pension Regulator regarding changes to the law on workplace pensions that will come into effect for Little Brickhill Parish Council on the 1st May 2017 and also advising that the Parish Council must nominate a contact by the 30th June 2015. Clerk confirmed that he had actioned this correspondence on the 24th June 2015. <u>Item closed.</u></p> <p>5.5 - (item 2.1 of minutes 01/06/15) – Request from W&WFC: The letter received from the football club dated the 4th June 2015 confirming the arrangement for the use of Watson Playing Field from September 2015 onwards <u>was agreed by all present.</u></p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Lewis / Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

<p>7. Clerks Report / Local Issues: 2537</p> <p>7.1 – Weeds: Clerk confirmed that he had received a complaint that there are a lot of weeds at the side of the pavement in the gutter on the whole of Watling Street and that he would report this issue to MKC as soon as possible. Clerk confirmed that this issue has now been resolved by MKC. <i>Item closed.</i></p>																
<p>8. Unitary Councillors' Report: 2538</p> <p>8.1 – A copy of the Ward Councillors' report to Little Brickhill Parish Council for July 2015 <u>is appended to these minutes.</u></p>																
<p>9. Planning: 2539</p> <p>9.1 – 15/01148/FUL – Redevelopment of the former petrol filling station site to provide 6 dwellings at Little Brickhill Service Station, Watling Street. <u>This item was discussed under item 2.1.</u></p> <p>9.2 – 15/01533/OUTEIS - Outline planning application with all matters reserved for the demolition of all existing farm buildings (except farmhouse) and the development of up to 1800 dwellings, a local centre to include retail and a community centre, one 1 form of entry primary school, one 2 forms of entry primary school, associated highway infrastructure including two proposed vehicular accesses with the A4146, two proposed pedestrian and cycle bridge crossing the river Ouzel, multi-functional public open space, informal amenity space, children's play space, open space incorporating the scheduled monument, playing fields, allotments, surface water attenuation and strategic landscaping, and associated services and utilities infrastructure (cross boundary application with Aylesbury Vale District Council) at Land at Eaton Leys, Galley Lane, Little Brickhill.</p> <p><u>It was agreed to invite Nicola Wheatcroft from MKC Planning Department to attend our Parish Council meeting on the 7th September 2015 to discuss this planning application in more detail.</u></p> <p>9.3 – 15/00693/TPO – Tree preservation order consent for work at 1 Brickhill Manor Court. <u>Notification received 12/06/15 from MKC that consent was granted.</u></p>	Cllr Hopkins															
<p>10. Financial: 2540</p> <p>10.1 - Cheques presented for payment:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>S/O</td> <td>£141.60</td> <td>Alan Kemp (July 2015 Salary)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100787</td> <td>£35.40</td> <td>HMR&C (Tax for Clerk)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100788</td> <td>£4.47</td> <td>Alan Kemp (Stationery)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100789</td> <td>£280.00</td> <td>Mr Keel (Grass Cutting)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100790</td> <td>£708.00</td> <td>WEL Medical Ltd (Cabinet for Defibrillator)</td> </tr> </table> <p>This expenditure was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously.</p> <p>10.2 - Payments received: £0.66 - Dividend</p> <p>10.3 - It was noted that the Bank Balance as at the end 06/07/15 was £2,237.82</p> <p>10.4 – Clerk distributed a document showing the forecast against budget (2015/16) for the 1st Quarter and a <u>copy will be appended to these minutes.</u></p>	S/O	£141.60	Alan Kemp (July 2015 Salary)	100787	£35.40	HMR&C (Tax for Clerk)	100788	£4.47	Alan Kemp (Stationery)	100789	£280.00	Mr Keel (Grass Cutting)	100790	£708.00	WEL Medical Ltd (Cabinet for Defibrillator)	
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<p>11. To receive reports on the Community Centre: 2541</p> <p>11.1 – Internal / External Decorating / Other Works: Clerk confirmed that had placed the order on our preferred contactor, P&R Domestic at £10,980.00 + VAT with the work targeted to be completed in August 2015.</p>																

<p>11.2 – Hedge trimming: It was noted that the hedges at the Community Centre were in need of trimming together with some weeding required and <u>the Clerk was authorised to arrange for this work to be undertaken providing that the costs do not exceed £200.00.</u></p>	Clerk
<p>12. Councillors Report: 2542</p> <p>12.1 – Defibrillator: Clerk confirmed that there is now a need to purchase a cabinet from Wel Medical for £590 + VAT plus the cost of an electrician to install a power supply to the front of the Community Centre. <u>This cost was approved and the Clerk was authorised to proceed.</u></p> <p>12.2 – Watsons Field: It was noted that some dog walkers are using the recreation ground illegally and it was noted that Cllr Bushell was in discussion with MKC (Legal Department) on how we can legally stop this practice continuing to occur. <u>On-going.</u></p> <p>12.3 – Footpath Issue: Cllr Bushell stated that he had received a request from a local resident on the public footpath from Woburn Road to see if a more disabled friendly gate could be installed and asked the <u>Clerk to raise this issue with MKC.</u></p> <p>12.4 – Watling Street Pavements and overhanging trees / shrubs: Cllr Bushell stated that the pavements on both sides of Watling Street heading out of the village towards the A5 slip road were breaking up. He also mentioned that some trees / shrubs are in need of cutting back and asked the <u>Clerk to raise this issue with MKC.</u></p>	Clerk Cllr Bushell / Clerk Clerk Clerk
<p>13. Items for the next agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eaton Leys Planning Application – Nicola Wheatcroft (MKC Planning) • Risk Assessment 	Clerk
<p>15. Date of Next Meeting:</p> <p>The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Monday 7th September 2015 commencing ay 7.45 pm.</p> <p><u>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10 pm</u></p> <p>..... Chairman for Little Brickhill Parish Council</p>	