

Worminghall Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting

Held on Thursday January 16th 2014

Present: Cllrs: Dr. Weaver, (Chair), Cllrs: Rowe, Tasker, Showell (Vice Chair), Grierson, & 6 members of the public.

1/ Apologies: Dst Cllr Hawkett,

2/ Declaration of Interests: None declared.

3/ Minutes from meeting November 14th 2013: Signed as a true record & agreed by all Councillors, a request was made for acronyms of associations to be fully spelt or explained at the end.

4/ Community Led Plan: The Steering Committee will meet on Tuesday January 28th^t at the Village Hall. They plan to have an open public meeting in June to discuss the plan to date. To consider at the next meeting a “No doorstep Selling Area” after the recent crime wave.

A housing police framework for the Parish Council to follow once the “plan” is adopted which will mean that decisions made by the Councillors might carry more weight over planning decisions made by Aylesbury Vale District Council.

5/ Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign: This has been part funded by the Bucks County Council Local Area Forum (LAF) and has been ordered. The Local Area Technician has re-assessed one location on the verge outside 31 & 33 Clifden Road – Clerk to gain residents’ approval. Signs fallen off at crossroads reported - ref: CRN436027 Jan 9th.

The new village signs with Bernwood logo, should be installed by the end of February. The Parish Council is implementing and up-dating its Contingency Plan as requested by AVDC, which will be published and sent to the Buckinghamshire County Council’s Resilience Team Manager – Andy Fyfe, after the Clerk has obtained approval of all the individuals listed.

Planting at crossroads: Doctor Weaver (Chair) would like to ask residents if they would kindly make and donate one to enhance the village.

Annual meeting May 1st: Clerk to write and invite all Village Committees to appraise Parish Council of their plans and financial needs in future (in the interests of transparency) and to comply with the (Freedom of Information Act) at the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

6/ Local Area Forum & Neighbourhood Action Group: Parish Liaison Committee? Clerk to ascertain when next meeting is and if the groups are linked. Cllr Rowe will attend next LAF.

The last LAF meeting focused on the importance of Resilience planning at a local and household level. Also mentioned:

Buckinghamshire County Council is in Age of Austerity and know that Transport for Bucks lacks communication with the Parishes but Potholes may be reported on their website:

<http://www.transportforbucks.net/BCC-report-a-problem.aspx>.

Links to this can be found on our website - address given below.

8/ Neighbourhood Watch: Howard Stones is in liaison with one of the Police Community Support Officers – Sue Jones. He will advertise in the Bernwode News for any residents wishing to receive up-dates about crime in our area - called Neighbourhood Alerts which are sent via e-mail directly from Thames Valley Police. Residents who would like this service must give their details to either Mr Stones or the Police Community Support Officer. .

If you see doorstep sales people are operating in this area, please call the Officer on 08458 505 505 and they will be apprehended. Perhaps signs could be put in bus stops to inform residents.

9/ Planning. New: 13/03387/APP -1 The Avenue Worminghall Buckinghamshire HP18 9LD

Demolition of existing single storey rear extension. Two storey and single storey rear extensions, detached garage and store. The Parish Council supports this application.

13/03143/APP

32 The Avenue, side extension of roof over garage for accommodation at 1st floor level. Remove rear box dormer + 2 dormers at front and 2 at back. No objections.

13/02629/APP

42A The Avenue Worminghall Buckinghamshire HP18 9LE Single storey front extensions. Raise roof to create new first floor with front and rear dormer windows and 4 no.s rooflights and a new rear chimney. No objections. Permitted

Hill Coppice – Certificate of Lawfulness applied for 13/ 02904/ACL.

10/ Planning Up-dates:

Clerk spoke to the Planning Officer in charge of The Pool House about flood water and ensuring that no ditches are blocked during the construction.

Lake View, Oakley Road. Enforcement Officer will research planning application history. No up-date.

Comments were made regarding the effectiveness of the Parish Council's planning decisions. It is believed that once a framework & policy is set out in a "Community Led Plan" the Councillors will have more influence over Aylesbury Vale District Council Planning decisions.

Planning applications may be viewed by logging onto the Parish Council's website home page and clicking the link provided: Click to agree the terms, then use the reference number.

11/ Finance & Expenditure:

Opening Balance	£3543.11
Clerks Salary & Expenses 23 hrs @ £9.59	£220.57
Dog waste service – Environmental Health	£98.62
E on Streetlighting	£55.04
Closing Balance	£3168.88
Precept requested £3,850	

As meetings are now bi-monthly, Clerk has approval from all Councillors to expedite urgent payments which cannot wait til the next meeting.

12/ Correspondence: Letters were read out regarding potholes and village financial affairs, which it is expected, the Annual meeting will resolve. A thank you letter from The Village Hall was received together with one from the Parochial Church Council which wanted to clarify that donations from the Parish Council/village were for Churchyard maintenance and not for the running of the Church.

Oxford seminar regarding Community infrastructure Levy/New homes bonus – clerk to obtain minutes if possible.

13/ Any Other Business: Camo skips parking - could it go back on agenda.

Could a piece go into the Bernwode News warning of doorstep callers.

Please report potholes or flooding to Transport for Bucks using the link from our website.

14/ The next meeting will be on March 20th at 8pm in The Village Hall.

Meeting closed 9.09pm.

<http://www.bucksvoice.net/worminghall-parish-council/minutes/>

Acronyms explained

MVAS: Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign

NHW: Neighbourhood Watch

LAF & NAG: Local Area Forum & Neighbourhood Action Group

PCSO: Police Community Support Officers

LAT: Local Area Technician
AVDC: Aylesbury Vale District Council
BCC: Buckinghamshire County Council