

Worminghall Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting

Held on Thursday June 19th, 2014

Present: Cllrs: Dr Weaver (Chairman), Showell (Vice Chairman), Rowe, Tasker, Dst Cllr: Hawkett, and 3 members of the public. Guests: Optimus Consulting, Justin Wickersham & Phillipa Moran.

Apologies accepted from: Dst Cllrs: Edmonds, County Cllr: Margaret Aston & Cllr Grierson.

2/ Declaration of Interests: None declared.

3/ Minutes from meeting May 1st 2014: were agreed and signed by the Chair. Meetings every 6 weeks seem to be a better option.

4/ Community Led Plan: The Draft Plan was presented to the public at 2 meetings, and feedback is good. Well done to the speakers.

5/ Village Amenities: Planting at the crossroads. A resident has promised to make/donate one for the Oakley Road sign. Cllr Showell said that they could be bought in Wickes for £40
A nomination form for a "Right to Bid" to preserve The Clifden Arms for the village, has been completed and submitted by the Clerk. There is a new landlord expected at the end of June to run the pub.

Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign: Cllr Showell has the keys and moves this between locations with the help of his son. Local Area Forum have offered to fund a spare set of batteries which would cost £1,250.

Parish grass cutting, devolution is not going to start until next year, if at all, and our Parish will cluster with another, so quote obtained is obsolete as the task changes by the week. The Tfb team will be asked to return to cut the paths and crossroads again, also a visit from the Area Technician will be requested. Cllr Showell suggested removing the kissing gate from The Avenue end of footpath 2/3 as this restricts access by a mower. Clerk to request from Rights of Way Officer.

Ditches and hedges: Letters to riparian owners /landowners (residents with ditches) will go out next month to remind them that ditches must be dug and hedges trimmed as it is the landowner's responsibility to allow water to pass on from their property.

6/ Local Area Forum & Neighbourhood Action Group: Cllr Rowe attended. PCSO - requests have been made that they are more visible on the streets rather than holding "surgeries " Door stop traders target the over 70yrs, be aware don't be a victim, keep cars and sheds locked .

A vote was taken by the Councillors for £6,000 of the LAF fund to be spent on a feasibility study re- a continuation of a cycle path, Councillors voted against.

Next meeting September 24th 7pm in Worminghall Village Hall.

Cllr Rowe suggested applying for Outline planning for a Village Hall extension if there is more village development, decision to wait until need is shown, section 106 or lottery funding could be sought .

7/ Neighbourhood Watch: 4 x Signs were ordered via PCSO Sue Jones. Clerk to check that they arrived.

8/ Planning. The Pool House 65A Clifden Road Worminghall Buckinghamshire HP18 9JR Demolition of tennis court and erection of detached dwelling (Amendments to 12/02841/APP) to include removal of outbuilding and erection of garage, alteration to parking area, plus amendments to fenestration and internal layout. No objections.

14/00572/AOP 10 dwellings on land off Clifden Road. Majority of Councillors supported the application, providing that the safety of the pedestrian access is addressed to the satisfaction of AVDC and the Parish Council.

14/00519/APP Use of land off Oakley Road for stationing of 3 gypsy caravans plus 3 hardstanding utility day rooms and stable block for horses. Councillors unanimously

objected to this application in an open forum meeting. Travellers are conducting their own traffic survey and residents may keep writing to AVDC Planning department. This application was due to be heard at the Development Control Meeting on June 19th, then July 10th, now it may be July 31st.

14/00973/APP - :2 Clifden Road Worminghall Buckinghamshire HP18 9JP
Part two and part single storey side extension and side porch. No objections.

9/ Planning Up-dates:

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

Lake View, Oakley Road. **14/00793/ACL** - Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing use - change of land and continued use of residential mobile home.
Unanimous objection.

The Parish Council have received advice on how to object to a planning application effectively and wish to pay for the services of Joe Cunnane Consultancy from funds attributed to Section 137 for £300. All Councillors agreed to pay this at the next meeting in August from Parish Council funds.

Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables Parish Councils to spend a set amount per head of electorate for the benefit of people in the area on activities or projects not specifically authorized by other powers. This was felt appropriate as the majority of the electorate objected to the particular planning application.

10 Finance & Expenditure: Opening Balance £1838.98
Clerk's salary 20.30 hrs @9.59 + expenses £254.10
Cllr Weaver expenses of £24.70 gratefully given back to the kitty.
1st Tranche of precept received £1925.00
Grant from AVDC £55.00
VAT refund £129.07
Closing balance: £3669.25

11/ Correspondence: Transport Users Group meeting: The 280 to Oxford will increase from 30 minutes to every 20 from July 25th, Train services from Haddenham may be disrupted due to fewer trains running to Stratford to London. Next meeting: **Tuesday 9 September 2014 at 2.00 p.m.** Venue: Buckingham Community Centre. Cuddington is heading a campaign to Save the River Thame, there is a meeting on July 8th in Aylesbury 10am – 2.30pm. E-mail (Doug@doug-kennedy.com).

12/ Any Other Business: Coldstream Farm may be re-developed in future, and Optimus Consulting came to inform the Parish Council and ask if there were any amenities that it would like included. Management of pre planning application questioning of PCs protocol to be discussed at next meeting.

13/ The next meeting will be August 7th at 8pm in The Village Hall
Meeting closed 8.55pm.

The website address is:

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Acronyms:

MVAS: Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign

NHW: Neighbourhood Watch

LAF & NAG: Local Area Forum & Neighbourhood Action Group

PCSO: Police Community Support Officer

LAT: Local Area Technician

AVDC: Aylesbury Vale District Council

BCC: Buckinghamshire County Council
CLP Community Led Plan.
TfB Transport for Bucks
BALC Buckinghamshire Association of Local Councils