

MINUTES**FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 17th October at 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury

1. PRESENT:

Chair I Southcott	Cllr P Palmer	District Cllr M English
Vice Chair G Mills	Cllr D Day	County Cllr L Eyre
Cllr A King	Cllr N Manser	Clerk L Yapp
Cllr A Stephens	Cllr D Cartwright	

2. APOLOGIES - None received**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

- 10) Planning – 16/01417 – The Gables, Applicant I Southcott
All councillors present declared a Disclosable Interest
Chair Southcott declared a Pecuniary Interest with a view to leaving the meeting during discussion

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from meeting dated 19th September 2016 – proposed Cllr Stephens, seconded Cllr Cartwright**5. FINANCE**a) Approval of receipts and payments to 12th September 2016

Ref	Invoice	Amount	VAT	Total
2028	M Cole (August)	33.57		33.57
2029	S Curtis (website)	35.96		35.96
2030	Superior Clean	170.00		170.00
2031	British Gas	65.03	3.25	68.28
2032	Limebridge	276.00	55.20	331.20
2033	L Yapp (Office Costs)	32.00		32.00
2034	L Yapp (Pstge / 2017 Diary)	18.20		18.20
2035	L Yapp (Salary October)	265.90		265.90
2036	Cancelled			
2037	HMRC – L Yapp	47.00		47.00
2038	M Cole	44.76		44.76
2039	Kingfisher Hygiene (Sanibin)	90.00	18.00	108.00
D/D	CNG (Gas)	6.85	.34	7.19
2040	Alison King	177.75		177.75
2041	HMRC (L Cole)	3.66		3.66
2042	HMRC (L Cole)	93.90		93.90

b) Cheques were approved and signed during the meeting. Proposed Cllr Palmer, seconded Cllr Stephens

c) Update – Chair Southcott confirmed:

- VAT monies claimed and re-funded
- Lengthsman – some invoices from 2015/16 re-funded

- HMRC – Now resolved and all up to date. The parish council agreed to pay outstanding PAYE and to be re-imbursed by L Cole
 - The Pound – awaiting payment of invoice
 - Bank Statements – the clerk had arranged for a second copy of the bank statements – to be used and cross – checked by councillors
- d) Cllr Stephens questioned the format of the accounts, being difficult to understand. The clerk would transfer to CALC 'model' spread sheet which would hopefully be easier to digest.
- e) Full Councillor Finance Training reminder – Training session organised by CALC to be held on 31st October.

6. PARISHIONERS – Meeting Closed

- 16/01417 – The Gables – Ian Southcott gave a brief description of the proposed works on his planning application. No further discussion took place

7. PROGRESS REPORTS

(a) Lengthsman – Cllr Palmer reported that:

- Speed Sign – still not working. Liaising with the Lengthsman to establish the problem before last resort and the unit is returned to Westotec

(b) Defibrillator Scheme – Training is scheduled for 1st November in the Village hall at 7pm. PIR light had been installed over the unit – it was agreed the Parish Council would finance the cost of the light with no objections

(c) Conservation Area – Nothing further to report

6. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS** – Despite lack of volunteers Cllrs Cartwright and Palmer were keen to make a start with a Neighbourhood Plan in the hope more residents would take an interest once up and running

7. **POLICING** - contacts are PCSOs R Gurney and Justine Lane

(03003 333000 Ext 3408/3499)

(Also new less urgent 101 services complement 999 emergencies)

The clerk had arranged for Police support for a short road closure in Fladbury for Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Mills to liaise

8. **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT** – County Cllr Eyre reported as follows:

- Buses – Cllr Eyre had had lengthy discussion with First who advised they need to balance the diversion through villages and rural areas. Chair, and Cllrs Mills and Stephens had attended a recent Transport meeting – the First rep. recognised that lack of rural transport in Fladbury was an issue and would re-consider. Chair advised that some compromise between the 2 current buses and the 26 previous buses, daily, would be acceptable
- Speed – a request from the parish council for a speed survey on the basis that Fladbury has become a 'rat-run' and the problem is getting worse. Options discussed are 'traffic calming' white gates, increased police presence monitoring speed and for Fladbury to become 'self-policing' – all which would require further discussion. It was agreed that we seek advice from a traffic engineer (CC) and the police – clerk to action

- Sign adj. to Golf Club – Cllr Mills questioned the decision made by CC Highway officer that the sign was suitably located, in his opinion visibility was obscured.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT:

- EVG Planning Ref: 16/01994 – Discussion had taken place with rep. from Springhill Nurseries, Cllr English, Chair Southcott and Cllrs Mills and Day – WDC are mindful to approve the application for a BIO MASS Boiler – decision to either force it to committee or allow officer to decide. Outcome would still be approved but the delay in taking it to committee would mean that Springhill Nurseries would miss the deadline to benefit from the feed-in tariff grants. EVG had given verbal reassurance that outstanding issues would be addressed within certain time scales if the parish council did not insist that the District Councillor take the application to committee and it be determined by the officer.
 1. Traffic – HGV vehicles/tractors – to be limited to 15 mph through the village with immediate effect
 2. Porters Path – to be cleared and made good within 2 week period
 3. Landscaping / Hedgerow – to be actioned within 6 weeks
 4. Odour – a number of options had been put forward with a view to reducing odour. These to be investigated as a matter of urgency. If no satisfactory outcome, to be reported to Environmental Health and Regulatory Services

Much discussion took place with Cllrs expressing a variety of views and concerns. Cllr English assured she would work with Springhill Nurseries to ensure all concerns were addressed and resolved.

Chair Southcott asked Cllrs to consider ‘whether Cllr English is to instruct WDC planners to take application 16/01994 to committee for decision’. A proposal was made that should the outcome of the vote be NOT to take to committee, a statement of acceptance of the points raised in 1-4 above, be agreed and signed by Springhill Nurseries with a firm commitment to address to the promises made during discussions. Five (5) Cllrs voted No – not to go to committee, with three (3) voting yes, it should go to committee – it should be noted that Cllrs Manser and King voted no, on the understanding that the statement with proposals be agreed, signed and returned to the parish council within 2 days of this meeting. Chair Southcott would attend to the statement as a matter of urgency and refer the outcome back to Cllr English

10. PLANNING

Application Number: W/16/01417

Location: Windrush, Broadway Lane, Fladbury

Description of Proposal: Outline application for one detached dwelling and access

Applicant: Mrs E A Speed

Approved by WDC.

Application Number: W/16/01994

Application Type:

Location: Springhill Nurseries Ltd, Evesham Road, Fladbury, Pershore, WR10 2QR

Proposal: New Biomass Boiler including fuel store and associated drainage infrastructure at Springhill Nursery
Discussed under District Councillors report above

Application Number: W/16/01840

Location: Springhill Nurseries Ltd, Evesham Road, Fladbury, Pershore, WR10 2QR

Proposal: Replacement of existing agricultural workers caravan with log cabin

Approved by WDC

Application Number: W/16/02388

Location: The Gables, Farm Street, Fladbury

Proposal: Two storey rear extension

Chair Southcott left the meeting during discussion

It was assumed that all neighbours had been notified of the application. There were no objections. All Cllrs approved proposals.

Glasshouse Liaison Group – See District Cllr report above.

Fladbury Butchers - Unauthorised expansion of premises – With WDC planning enforcements and a retrospective planning application is expected.

Housing Needs Survey – Chair Southcott and the clerk to liaise.

Section 106 monies:

- Kendrick Homes – ongoing – nothing further to report
- Crophrone Development – nothing further to report until dwellings have been built

11. FOOTPATHS/TREES

Footpaths

Cllr Mills reported:

- Anchor Lane - A canoe had been abandoned along the footpath. Cllr Mills to arrange clearance of the path

Trees

Cllr Stephens reported:

- Tree works by the Lengthsman had not been done

12. RECREATION GROUND/PAVILION

- Goal Posts – To be securely fitted in the coming week. A quote for about £300 for works, to include digging out the old concrete and re-setting, labour and materials
- Car Park – Cllrs Palmer and Mills were seeking quotes for works to improve the surface
- Chatterbox – Likely to stop using the facilities at Christmas
- Hiring Agreement and Charges – to be finalised by the Pavilion committee – clerk and Chair Southcott to liaise.
- Cricket Square – continuing issue with dogs fouling. A notice to be placed in Five Alive. Clerk to action
- Energy Quotes – Contracts with British Gas for both Pavilion and Village Green about to end. Clerk had sourced alternative contracts with Npower – This was agreed
- Football Pitch – A concern had been made by Charlton Old Boys, regarding possible ‘over use’ of the pitch now that Pershore Town Juniors were using facilities on a Saturday. Feelings were that the ground is well drained and had been used by several teams in the past with no problems
- Fire Alarm - Fire alarm system in need of servicing and some replacements glasses to the alarm ‘boxes’. It was also evident that some sort of regular fire alarm tests was needed, with question as to whether there was a need for fire extinguishers / smoke alarms. Chair Southcott and clerk to liaise.
- Security lighting outside the pavilion was not working. Lights to be looked at by Chair Southcott and Cllr Mills

13. MY PARISH/WEBSITE/COMMUNICATIONS - Nothing to report

14. VILLAGE HALL – Nothing to report

15. BUS SERVICE – See County Cllr report above

16. NEW HOMES BONUS

- Design and installation of meadows interpretation panels – No further progress as yet
- Footpath maps / aids – No further progress as yet
- ICT enhancement at Fladbury First School – Cllr Cartwright had written to the school and as yet, no response had been received

17. CORRESPONDENCE – a separate list of all circulated emails had been forwarded to Cllrs.

18. HEADED PAPER – A request had been made for ‘official’ Fladbury Parish Council’ headed paper. It is thought there is some which would be handed to the clerk to re-produce

19. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- Poppy Wreath – request made for the parish council to provide a poppy wreath – the clerk to action
- Jubilee Bridge – a request for a number of large poppies to be sited on Jubilee Bridge – no objections
- Network Rail had made a request to enter parish council land to carry out an ecological / site survey – no objections
- Gas – gas supply improvements to continue works that had already been carried to some of Fladbury.
- Cllr Stephens asked for clarification with regard ownership of the Village Green

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Next Parish Council meeting Monday November 21st