

MINUTES

FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday 21st March 2016 at 7:30pm in the Sports' Pavilion, Fladbury.

1. PRESENT:

Present: Chair I Southcott	Cllr D Day	
V/Chair G Mills	Cllr P Palmer	
Cllr N Manser	Cllr D Cartwright	Clerk L Cole
Cllr A King	Cllr A Stephens	County Councillor L Eyre

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Insall and District Cllr English.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Item 11 A - Chair Southcott and Cllr King – known to applicant

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cllr Day proposed, seconded by Cllr King and the meeting agreed to accept the minutes for the meeting of Monday 15th February 2016. The Chairman signed the minutes.

4. VISITORS

None

5. FINANCE

- a) Cllr Stephens proposed, seconded by Cllr Cartwright and the meeting agreed to accept the Receipts and Payments A/C up to 15/3/2015. The Chair signed the accounts.
- b) Invoices for payment:-

001957	OHL stationery	£38.80
001958	Superior Clean Feb 2016	£210.00
001959	British Gas Electric 20/11 – 19/02	£78.96
001960	L Cole Clerk Feb/Mar 2016	£246.56
001961	M Cole Lengthsman Feb/Mar 2016	£100.71
001962	Steve Curtis Village Website	£35.96
001963	I Southcott Chair expenses	£200.00
001964	G Mills Vice Chair expenses	£150.00
001965	Air Ambulance grant	£100.00
001966	Parochial church clock grant	£30.00
001967	Fladbury Village Hall grant	£100.00
001968	Severn Area ass Rescue grant	£100.00

6. PARISHIONERS

The meeting was attended by two parishioners.

Mrs Fletcher a resident of Butt Furlong addressed the meeting regarding a pending reduction in bus services through Fladbury. She had been advised by a bus driver that services, 551 and X50 currently serving Fladbury would be reduced to two per day at 7.20 am and 4.00 pm.

Mrs Fletcher showed the Chairman a print out of the planned service which highlighted the forthcoming deletions and redirections of bus routes.

The service was due to be implemented on 10th April 2016 with no apparent public notice. County Cllr Eyre advised the meeting that the operators First Direct only needed to give 55 days' notice of the change in services to the Traffic Commission.

Fladbury Parish Council had not been consulted regarding these changes.

County Cllr Eyre advised Mrs Fletcher that she would follow up the concerns of residents and the Parish Council at a WCC meeting on 04 April 2016.

The Chair stated that Wychavon District Council had pledged to improve the isolation of the elderly. This was clearly contradicting this requirement.

7. PROGRESS REPORTS

a) Lengthsman – The Lengthsman had repaired the ruts in the amenity land in Farm Street, following a site meeting with Chair Southcott. The gullies had been checked and the battery in the mobile speed equipment had been charged and changed. Additional work for the lengthsman should be directed through Cllr Manser who will liaise with the Lengthsman on a regular basis.

b) Defibrillator- There had been no known text alerts reported in Fladbury.

c) Pavement condition assessment- WCC looks at complaints from residents to decide on whether repairs are required and/or priority. The Chair expressed his concern that the view of the Parish Council who represent the parishioners was not taken in to account. County Cllr Eyre will follow this up and update the Parish Council.

8. PARISH & NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS

County Cllr Eyre advised the meeting that District Cllr English will give a presentation regarding the Neighbourhood plan at the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 18th April 2016.

9. POLICING - contacts are PCSO R Gurney (03003 333000 Ext 3408/3499)

(Also new less urgent 101 services complement 999 emergencies)

Neighbourhood Watch alerts were being circulated to those on the circulation list. Cllr Insall would update at the next meeting.

10. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

COUNTY COUNCIL

Councillor Eyre had circulated her March 2016 report to Cllrs prior to the meeting. The meeting agreed that these would be placed on the Village website in future. Cllr Eyre highlighted the merger of Pershore Horticultural Collage and South Worcestershire Collage (Evesham and Malvern). This was to enable the Collage to offer better courses across the board.

11. PLANNING

A. Application Number : W/16/00380/PN

Location: Land at, Weston Orchard, Fladbury

Description of Proposal: New 4 bedroom detached house and new access.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs K Cunningham

Old Fladbury Stores

Church Street Fladbury

Worcestershire WR10 2QB

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Cllr Day had looked at the plans and welcomed comments from the meeting concerning the building line and the pitch of the roof. Comments to Cllr Day by 09 April 2016.

B. Application Number : W/16/00415/PP & ///

Location: Bittern House, Hill Furze Road, Hill Furze, WR10 2NE

Description of Proposal: Replacement outbuilding

Applicant: Mr T Myatt

Bittern House

Hill Furze Road Hill Furze WR10 2NE

Cllrs raised their concerns over the clarity of the plans and the question of the proximity of neighbouring residential premises. Comments to Cllr Day by 07 April 2016.

A further application had been received just prior to the meeting regarding an extension to Tavira, Broadway Lane, Fladbury. This would be discussed at or prior to the next meeting.

Glasshouse Liaison Group –

A meeting had been held on Monday 14th March to discuss odour issues, landscaping, Porters path and the bridge along Jubilee Walk. The meeting was attended by Cllr Day and Mills, Chair Southcott, County Cllr Eyre and District Cllr English. The Parish Council would act as a collection point for odour complaints and residents were encouraged to record details of episodes for evidence and contact the farm to notify them of any odour issues. Cllr Mills will walk around the Jubilee Walk with the new Farm Manager to have a look at problem areas.

Housing Needs Survey

The letter to residents and the questionnaire ready for photocopying. These will be given to Councillors to deliver and collect. It is hoped they will be able to speak to residents in person to emphasise the importance of completing the survey.

12. FOOTPATHS/TREES

Vice Chair Mills highlighted an issue that the Golf Club were having with people walking off of the Footpath. Vice Chair Mills would look at the way markers.

The Chair stated that Lazy Lane had a number of potholes. This lane is unadopted and therefore is not the responsibility of the WCC but that of the residents.

A trench had been dug out on the river bank and had bisected the Jubilee Walk making it very difficult for disabled access. Vice Chair Mills would contact Amanda Hill WCC in order to liaise with Birmingham Anglers to rectify the problem. He would also seek an update on the provision on a Jubilee Walk map and a new general footpaths map.

Chair Southcott stated that Mr and Mrs Sudlow had begun work on their trees following advice from Sally Griffiths WDC.

13. RECREATION GROUND/PAVILION

A meeting will be held prior the next Parish Council meeting.

14. MYPARISH/WEBSITE/ECOMMUNICATONS

Cllr Day would place relevant reports on the Village website.

15. CONSERVATION AREA BOUNDARY

Further to a meeting with Jim Burgin where the boundary of the conservation area had been discussed. An issue had been raised regarding the inclusion of land within the Conservation area. Conservation areas were mainly concerned with the built environment and therefore Jim Burgin could not support the original plan. Three options were to be considered:-

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1. Parish Council should cease its work and let WDC carry on in due course.
2. Parish Council to continue and raise support for the original plan.
3. Reduce the original boundary to include David Wynn's field and around the island.

A further meeting will be held to discuss these options.

16. NEW HOMES BONUS (NHB)

Usage –

Defibrillators

Solar powered speed equipment

Recreation ground car park and fencing

Under consideration:-

Footpath maps/aides – see section 12

School IT project - Under consideration

Resurfacing of the Porters Path – Under consideration.

A meeting of the New Homes Bonus subcommittee is to be arranged in the near future.

The amount of new homes bonus currently available to draw down is £6398.00

17. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr King advised that money was to be spent on updating the kitchen and catering facilities to bring it up to standard. This would involve sealing up the door to the rear of the kitchen as there was adequate access out of the kitchen. The Village Hall would then apply for funding to update the toilets.

The play group (Chatterbox) had reduced in numbers and therefore did not need the facilities on as many days. The Social Club continued to attract new members and was actively recruiting.

18. CORRESPONDENCE

10th February – 15th March 2016.

1	18/02/2016	RSN email news update
2	18/02/2016	WDC Planning committee minutes
3	18/02/2016	WCC draft Flood Risk consultation
4	23/02/2016	RSN email news update
5	29/02/2016	RSN email news update
6	29/02/2016	Malvern Hills South Worcestershire Development Plan
7	29/02/2016	RVS newsletter
8	08/03/2016	CALC Update
9	08/03/2016	CALC Update
10	08/03/2016	RSN email news update
11	14/03/2016	Planning Application Land at Weston orchard
12	14/03/2016	Planning Application Bittern House Hill Furze road
13	14/03/2016	CALC Update
14	14/03/2016	SWDP consultations
15	14/03/2016	PSEO online
16	14/03/2016	RSN email news update
17	14/03/2016	WCC County Cllr Liz Eyre March Report
18	15/03/2016	Worcestershire Minerals Annual Report
19	15/03/2016	RSN email news update

19. OTHER INFORMATION/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Tubs around the Village – Cllr King is coordinating the planting and replacement of tubs around the Village. The meeting suggested placing planters on the small triangle of land in Farm Street to prevent further damage by large vehicles.

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2. Mowing 2016/2017 – Cllr Palmer advised that following a review of the mowing throughout the Village that we would continue to use Limebridge for the next financial year and monitor the work . The Parish Council had received no complaints regarding the mowing and the service provided value for money at this time.
- 3.The Horse chestnut in Anchor Lane had been replaced with a flowering Cherry which was better suited to its position.
4. The Friends of Fladbury had requested that two pieces of exercise equipment be placed on the boundary alongside the train track. Cllr Manser would check that insurance covered this type of equipment and that there may be an effect on mowing in the area of the equipment.
5. The lights in Butt Furlong continue to malfunction. The clerk would chase this up.
6. Cllr Day raised the need to help clear up the field and fences adjacent to the river following the recent floods.
7. Vice Chair Mills was concerned about the amount of hardcore on site at the site of the development of the Mushroom Tunnels.
- 8.Cllr Stephens was concerned about damage left on the grass verges in Millbank following vehicular usage. Concern was raised regarding the tables on the Village Green and noise from persons using them during antisocial hours.

The Clerk announced her intention to step down in the near future following deterioration in health. The Clerk would continue to assist the new post holder and would ensure that the financial returns and audit was completed over the next 3 months as required.

Date of next meeting

Monday 18th April 2016. Annual Parish Meeting will take place at the Village Hall at 7.30p.m.

Signed: **Date:**