

MINUTES

FLADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Fladbury Parish Council held on Monday July 17th, 2023 at the Sports Pavilion, Fladbury at 7pm.

PRESENT: Chairman I Southcott, Vice Chairman G Mills, Cllrs: D Day, P Hill, A Hughes and N Manser, and District Cllr A Crump plus 2 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES** were received from Cllr M Neilan, County Cllr E Eyre and Sally Mills (Co-option)
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Mills - SWDP
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** Minutes from the meeting of 19th June 2023 were approved – proposed Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Hill – all in favour.
4. **CO-OPTION** - to consider application received from Sally Mills - *Cllrs considered application received from Sally Mills, approval for co-option proposed Chair Southcott, seconded Cllr Hill, approved by 3 Cllrs and 1 abstention.*
5. **COUNTY & DISTRICT CLLR REPORTS :**
 - County Cllrs Report – annexed to these Minutes
 - District Cllr A Crump Reported :
 - Airband – sufficient ducting is in place and there are no plans to install telegraph poles, however, to be mindful that there are instances locally where Airband are now installing poles despite previous assurances that these were not necessary.
 - Aldi (Persnore) Consultation running from 4th to 27th July – details on-line and been widely reported in local papers and social media.
 - Police and Crime Commissioner – a new website has now been launched with the next consultation scheduled for November 2023 – this included Persnore and neighbouring villages.
 - Anti-Social behaviour can be reported to WDC.
 - Persnore Water Park – to be ‘re-vamped’ September 2023 and re-opening May 2024.

6. FINANCE.

- a) Payments paid, approved and received since reporting at last meeting on 10th July 2023

Website Hosting	287.76
Pavilion Fire Protection	174.00
Pavilion Cleaning	305.00
Office (Audit) Costs	91.75
Pavilion Electric	97.54
Street Lighting Upgrades	1703.46
Cheque cancelled	
Grass Cutting	210.00
Lengthsman May	168.00
VAT element - website	57.55
Quarterly Service Charge	18.00
Clerks Salary	446.92
Clerks Expenses	37.00
Pavilion Water	47.89
Pavilion Gas	83.65
Footpath Sign	29.94
Lengthsman June	168.00
Pool Garden Repairs	165.00
Grass Cutting	848.40
Street Lighting	665.62
Street Lighting Upgrades - VAT	340.69
Pavilion Cleaning	190.00
Underpayment of Salary	31.20

Payments were approved, proposed Cllr Day, seconded Cllr Manser – all in favour

(b) Receipts since Last Meeting:

Football Pitch - Hire	300.00
Precept	12646.00
VAT Refund	166.88
third share of website hosting	95.92
Pavilion Hire	72.00
Grasscutting Grant	873.54
Wharf	317.76
Pavilion Hire	300.00
lengthsman	168.00

(c) Donations / Honorariums to Chair and Vice Chair – Agreed to defer until September meeting

Account Balances:

Unity Current A/C: £11,181.64
Unity Saving A/C: £41,000.00

Note: Lloyds Bank accounts now closed and all funds now transferred across to Unity Trust Bank.

PARISHIONERS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – The 2 parishioners in attendance were invited to speak but both said they were present purely as ‘observers’ but to note application for co-option received from one parishioner to be considered at September meeting (no meeting in August).

7. PROGRESS REPORTS

- a) Lengthsman – A request made for the LM to cut back overgrowth at the rear of the pavilion and at visibility splays at Fladbury cross-roads – the clerk to liaise with the LM.
- b) Handyman – some general maintenance / repairs have been carried out on some of the play equipment.
- c) Defibrillator – Sandy Insall has kindly offered to check the defibrillators for the time being. To be reviewed in September.
- d) Conservation Area – A ‘draft’ map of the new Conservation Area was circulated to Cllrs now taking in the area around Crophorne Mill. This would need to be consulted on before going to WDC planning committee for consideration.

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Defer to September meeting. It was noted that Cllr Neilan and former Cllr Palmer were considering this matter.

9. POLICING: Contacts are PC Martin Kennedy and PCSO’s Karen Kempton / Andrea Beech (03003 333000. 999 emergencies and 101 less urgent crimes) – eveshamsrw.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Cllr Hughes had been in contact with the police and nothing to report.

- a) Neighbourhood Watch – Nothing to report.
- b) Community Speed Watch – Cllr Neilan no longer wished to lead this activity and a replacement would be considered when all roles and responsibilities were addressed. Cllr Southcott would circulate a paper for consideration in advance of the September meeting.

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10. HIGHWAYS :

- Severn Trent works continue on the A44 and is progressing more quickly than envisaged.

11. PLANNING :

- 22/02043 – Pugh Haulage Contractors, Broadway Lane– *awaiting decision by WDC*
- **PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF:- APP/H1840/W/22/3313745** – The Planning Inspector ruled in favour of Lone Star (the appellants). Chair Southcott reported that in his view WDC and their representatives were poorly prepared for this hearing, and were no match for the appellant’s team. The Chair noted that it was not unusual for developers to seek to amend their permission if viability became an issue.
- **PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF:- APP/H1840/W/23/3315676** – Permission in principle for up to 2 self-build dwellings. Site at: Land Adjacent To Broadway Lane Cottages – *the appeal started in April but no decision has yet been made.*
- 23/00467 – Wayside, Station Road - Alterations to garage and entrance canopy. Addition of windows, rooflights and second entrance canopy. Erection of garage with new vehicular access gate and boundary fencing - there were no objections to this application.
- 23/01105 – Whitsun Brook Farm, Hill Furze - The change of use of an existing restroom cabin to a permanent rural workers dwelling – there were no objections to this application.

Planning / Enforcement Issues: Nothing to report.

Glasshouse Liaison Group: Chair Southcott reported that he had received a couple of complaints from residents of Salters Lane re odour from a small incinerator. He had been in contact with EVG and advised residents to contact Worcs. Regulatory Services if no improvement.

Crematorium: Nothing to report

It was reported that both EVG and the Crematorium had sponsored Fladbury Walkabout.

SWDP – Nothing further to report.

12. SECTION 106 MONIES

- Sports Pavilion – The clerk to chase WDC for a response to query raised requesting detail of amounts available and timescales for these to be spent. Cllr Hughes has researched options for fitness trail equipment with costs varying between £6 and £10k.

13. FOOTPATHS / TREES

- Trees:
 - ✓ Commemorative Jubilee Plaques – In hand.
- Footpaths - Cllr Mills reported that:
 - ✓ Ferry Lane – signage has been received and to be installed
 - ✓ Fallen Finger Post Marker Anchor Lane – this has been reported to WCC
 - ✓ Jubilee Walk overgrowth – Cllr Mills to report to WCC

14. RECREATION GROUND/PAVILION:

- Tennis Club Lease – A rental payment is due from the tennis club

15. LAND AT THE NAIT – Chair Southcott reported that he had informed the Executors of the decisions made by the parish council. Chair Southcott and Cllrs Hill, Day and Hughes would form the working

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group and work together on the covenants, terms and conditions and presentation at the Public Meeting. Cllr Mills expressed his disappointment at not being included.

16. RIVER AVON POLLUTION – Payment to be made for 1 testing kit (Charlton and Fladbury to pay for another 1 each)

17. CORRESPONDENCE has been circulated to Cllrs

18. OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION / FUTURE DISCUSSION:

- Cllr Responsibilities – to be revisited at the next meeting and to include:
 - ✓ Defibrillator
 - ✓ Lengthsman
 - ✓ Community Speed Watch
 - ✓ Finance / Governance

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 18th September 2023 at 7 pm.