



## WESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at Westbury Village Hall at 8.00 pm

#### Questions/comments from the public

None received

#### 1/17 Members present

Cllr James Stone (JS), Cllr Vicky Webb (VW), Cllr Sue Barrett (SB), Cllr Franco Capella (FC), Cathy Knott (Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

**Apologies received from:** Cllr Jeremy Banks (JB), Graeme Cook (GC) & Robin Bone (RB)

#### 2/17 To receive declarations of interest

Councillors to declare any non-registered pecuniary or personal interests relating to the Agenda

**JS & SB for item 6/17**

**3/17 Approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. It was resolved to sign the minutes as a true record.**

#### 4/17 Matters arising

CK has written to The Secretary of State regarding BCC's proposals to streamline local government in Buckinghamshire.

VW has met with Clinton Osborne regarding the spotlights. He will put a proposal together which VH will present at the next meeting. JS advised that we have also received an email from Jeff Christian regarding spotlights and protection of the glass sliding doors. SB advised that the Cricket Club will erect a special screen during play. Funds for the spotlights will come from WPHC, as £1000.00 has been specifically set aside for the Youth Club.

#### 5/17 Financial matters

**(a) It was resolved that the following invoices be approved and were signed for payment:**

C Knott (December expenses)	£128.82
C Knott (December salary)	£448.50
Robin Bone (Xmas tree pot)	£14.00
TexPrep (ROW copying)	£48.00
Clinton Osborne (WYPP)	£791.00

**(b) Record the receipts: £1.29 interest**

We have received notification from AVDC of funds through S106 regarding the new Meadow View development. There are strict guidelines of what the funds can be used for but SB has had an informal chat with AVDC and it may be possible to put them towards Playing Field Road and the playground.

#### 6/17 Landscaping Beachborough wall

FC has met with the new Bursar at Beachborough to discuss the landscaping of their sports hall wall.

#### Out of Council

JS advised that he had met with the two previous Bursars to discuss planting and submitted ideas from villagers. It is now hoped they will push ahead with their schedule.

FC circulated plans of what and where they will be planting, including trees and large shrubs. All councillors were in agreement with the plans. FC will ask the Bursar to proceed ASAP.

## Back in Council

### 7/17 Planning updates

Application no.	Address	Details	AVDC Update
16/01708/AOP	Land off Brackley Road, Mill Lane, Westbury	Demolition of agricultural buildings and erection of four dwellings	Still awaiting decision
16/04155/APP	Former Paf Ltd Mill Lane Westbury Buckinghamshire NN13 5JS	Erection of two flats and two maisonettes in place of the previously approved commercial (B1) units.	Still awaiting decision
16/03819/APP	Beachborough School Mill Lane Westbury	Single storey extension to existing dining room (part retrospective)	Approved
16/02608/APP	Land at Reindeer House Brackley Road Westbury	Erection of one detached dwelling with associated access	Approved with conditions

### Out of Council

FC advised that regarding application 16/01708/AOP (above), discussions were still underway between AVDC and the developer.

FC will contact AVDC regarding a former application 16/03420/APP to discuss a few issues.

FC has noted an application on the AVDC planning website for the erection of one detached dwelling & garage to replace the historical building to the front of the new housing development on Mill Lane. VW advised that this building has a lot of history attached to it. She will let FC have the information and he will call AVDC to discuss.

May Gallagher (member of the public) advised that she will ask other villagers to see if they have information on its history. JS will talk to the neighbours. All councillors decided to oppose the application once it has been made public.

**Action: VW/FC/JS**

### Back in Council

#### 8/17 Reports

##### **Playground**

Nothing to report at this time.

##### **Utilities**

2 lights have been repaired recently on Biddlesden Road and Orchard Place.

##### **Highways**

Nothing to report at this time.

##### **Footpaths**

SB reported that the footpath maps are now available in the shop and are on the notice board and website. A copy will be included in our "welcome pack" which SB is working on.

VHW advised that Sue Rumfitt (an expert on Rights of Way) has written a letter of complaint (on the council's behalf) to Oxfordshire County Council, for not dealing with our footpath claim. VHW will send a copy of the letter to The Rt Hon. John Bercow.

##### **WVHA**

VHW reported that the association is in a healthy financial state and is working on the year ahead. As the bar is so well used, the association has decided to employ someone to lead on this. The hall is in need of a spring clean which will be combined with jobs around the village next month when the new shed should be in situ.

Clinton Osborne has given VHW all the documentation needed for the Youth Club, meeting legal requirements.

The ground to the front of the hall has dipped down. This will be roped off for the time being. We need to bring in a "muddy shoes" policy.

It was agreed to put Westbury Shop & Café under reports on future Agendas. CK will introduce GC to Sue Lucas as our councillor responsible for this.

**Action: CK/GC**

**9/17 Receive Correspondence**

**Email regarding dog waste** – put a message in the Link and purchase more signs.

**Play around the Parishes** – councillors decided to have something similar to the climbing wall at the fete instead.

**Shop signage** – councillors happy to approve signs. CK will ask them to provide sizing so we can check with Highways.

**Citizens Advice donation** – councillors agreed not to give a donation as it is not within the budget. Consideration will be given when we put together the budget for 2018/19.

**10/17 Items for the February Link**

Thanks to all involved with the Christmas celebrations.

Thanks to Cath & Robin for clearing up Dr's Spinney following the illegal dumping of rubbish.

Date of next meeting

Award news

Spring Clean

Dog waste message

Help with website

Des Hutchins, former Headmaster of Westbury C of E School has sadly passed away. Our thoughts are with his family.

**11/17 Items of urgent business**

Date to be arranged for the Clerk's Appraisal.

*Action: JS/VHW*

**The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.**

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00 pm at Westbury Village Hall**