

Medbourne Parish Council
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
MONDAY 1st OCTOBER 2012

Present: Cllrs Polito (Chair), Tweddle, Clarke and Palmer.
Cllr Beaty (part), Tom Price, Roger Daulby and Jenny Sandars.

1.0 APOLOGIES: Cllr Pilkington, Rennie Barbour

2.0 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2012:

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
Proposed: Cllr Tweddle. Seconded: Cllr Clarke.

3.0 MATTERS ARISING:

3.3.7.4 Register of Member's Interests: All Councillors have now returned the register of interests form to the monitoring officer at Harborough District Council.

3.3.9.2 The Big Tree Plant: Bryan Smith has written to David Ross regarding planting in Leviathan Wood and is currently awaiting a response.

3.3.10.5 Medbourne Mower Fund: The Sports Club are now up to date on payments to the Mower Fund, following receipt of a cheque for £500 (£250 for the missing year and £250 for this year).

3.3.18.2 Street Light Ashley Road/Waterfall Way: This now appears to be working properly.

3.3.19.3 Draft Risk Assessment for Volunteers: Due to the absence of Councillor Pilkington, this was to be carried forward to the next meeting.

3.6.1 Kerbstones on Rectory Lane: These have now had tarmac laid to them and Councillors reported their approval of the overall appearance.

3.7.1 Brampton Valley Way: Mr Castens in Ashley has told Cllr Polito that the council representative from Northampton, who is very keen on the idea of extending the Brampton Valley Way, believes that a Right of Way may have been retained when the land was sold into private ownership and is going to investigate this further.

3.7.3 Village Hall lease: Richard Hammond has sent a letter to the solicitors for the Village Hall, asking for an explanation of the situation and circumstances which led them to instigate a completely new lease rather than the extension of the existing one which was originally requested.

4.0 PLANNING:

4.1 During September details of the following Planning Applications submitted to Development Control had been received and circulated to councillors:

- **Mr William Jones, Station House, 8 Uppingham Road – Erection of two storey side and rear extensions and detached outbuilding providing covered parking and store:** Councillors had no comments to make on this application.
- **Miss L Easton, 6 Springbank – works to trees:** Councillors had no comments.

- **Mr & Mrs Sowerby, 26 Drayton Road – Two storey and single storey rear extension (revised scheme of 12/00699/FUL):** Councillors had no objections to this application; one councillor did comment that the extension seemed quite overpowering for the size of the plot.
- **Mr Godfrey, 11 Rectory Lane – work to trees:** Councillors had no comments.
- **Mr R Lee, The Gables, Drayton Road – work to trees (felling one tree):** Councillors had no comments.
- **Mr & Mrs Smith, 6 Waterfall Way – Listed Building Consent:** Councillors had no comments.

4.2 During September Planning Permission had been given by Development Control in respect of the following:

- **Mr & Mrs Hammond, Stone House, 7 Hallaton Road:** Erection of a two storey side extension and a two storey front extension.
- **Mr & Mrs Smith, 6 Waterfall Way:** Conversion of summerhouse to ancillary bedroom with en-suite facility.
- **Mr R Hallam, land rear of 29 Main Street:** Discharge of Conditions 2,3,9,10,11 and 13 of 10/00653/FUL

4.3 During September details of Planning Applications submitted to the Development Control Team for the Harborough District had been received and circulated to councillors.

4.4 During September notice of an appeal to the Planning Inspectorate regarding **Pagets Farm** by Brudenell Estates was received. A letter was written to the Inspectorate which summarised the representations made by the Parish Council at the Planning Committee meeting on 6th March 2012, thus ensuring that those comments will be taken into account in deciding the appeal.

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE:

5.1 During September the following correspondence had been received and circulated to councillors:

- SLCC minutes, agenda and notice of AGM
- Details of new Healthwatch agency consultation
- RCC weekly bulletins
- Invitation to Police Headquarters event on 31.10.12
- Information from LRALC on planning changes
- Details of changes to HDC recycling and waste services
- The date of the Harborough District Planning Conference (6.12.12)
- September Crime report for Welland Valley

- Details of Medbourne road closure
- Details of HDC consultation on Statement of Licensing Policy
- Agenda for Harborough Rural East Community Forum
- Confirmation of appointment of Grant Thornton as external auditors from 2012/13
- Invitation to RCC AGM

6.0 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN:

6.1 None raised.

7.0 REPORTS:

7.1 Cllr Clarke reported from the last Village Hall Committee meeting, that the committee are now seeking expert advice on what needs doing to the roof so that they know exactly what work should be undertaken.

7.2 Cllr Clarke reported that the new Sports Club extension is now being made watertight. The Gang Mowers are going to Brooksby College for inspection at the beginning of November.

8.0 TAXI VOUCHER SCHEME:

Nothing to report.

9.0 PARISH REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE:

9.1 Heavy vehicles on Manor Road appear to be affecting the surfaces – the pavement and road are lifting in places.

9.2 Manor Road also appears to have a number of blocked drains – in particular along the stretch from Nutbush to the Electricity station – which may cause problems if we have heavy rain.

10.0 ACCOUNTS:

10.1 At the meeting the following invoices were presented to councillors for payment:

Murphys Taxis	£15.00
Redeemed Taxi Vouchers	

Clement Keys	£144.00
Audit Fee	

F Smith	£446.75
6 months Clerks Salary	£433.68
Postage	£13.07

Proposed: Cllr Palmer. Seconded: Cllr Tweddle.

10.2 Notification has been received from Clement Keys that the annual audit has been completed and signed. The closure of the audit has been advertised on the Parish Council noticeboard.

11.0 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on November 5th at 7.45, followed by December 3rd.

12.0 COUNCILLORS HOLIDAYS: Details of when councillors would be away during the forthcoming month were given.

13.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Tom Price offered to archive paperwork he holds regarding the handover of the old Medbourne School to the Village Hall – although it may take a little while. The offer was gratefully accepted.

Roger Daulby voiced some concerns regarding the Village Hall and Councillor Polito asked that he submit a list of his questions together with copies of any supporting paperwork which is in his possession.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.