

**LANE END PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on 7th September 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Sycamore Room of Lane End Village Hall.

ATTENDANCE: Councillors Coulter, Detsiny, Davies, Harris, Nicolson.

ACTING CLERK: Sharon Henson

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 20

<p>1) Apologies: To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence Apologies received from Cllr Dunn due to work commitments, Cllr Mansell was at the Proms, Cllr Pullen on holiday and Cllr Stewart currently moving house. District Cllr Mrs Teesdale gave her apologies as she was attending a Cabinet Meeting at WDC.</p> <p>2) Declarations of Acceptance for New Co-Opted Councillors and Chairman Cllr Coulter introduced Cllrs Harris and Nicolson who duly signed their Declarations of Interest and handed over their Registers of Interest. Cllr Coulter signed a Declaration of Acceptance for the Office of Chairman.</p> <p>3) Declarations of Interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interestsb) To declare any Personal Interests in items on the Agenda and their nature. Cllr Detsiny declared a personal interest in item 8 on the agenda – Moorend Common Bridleway and declared he would leave the room at that point.c) To declare any Prejudicial Interests in items on the Agenda and their nature. None made. (Councillors with prejudicial interests must leave the room for the relevant items - Code of Conduct para 12(2)) <p>4)Public Questions: The Chairman closed the meeting for Public Question time (maximum 20 minutes)Cllr Coulter advised the public that he would close the meeting during agenda item 8 – the Moorend Bridleway. Mr Monk asked if the WDC Site Allocation Document particularly in relation to the Elga and Culver Graphics sites had a timescale. Cllr Coulter reported that the proposal to change the designation of Elga from a business site to mixed development should encourage a developer to take on the site any time from 2011 to 2014. In addition, WDC proposed to merge the categories of “scattered employment sites” and “scattered employment sites with the potential for other uses”, the impact of which would be to enhance the potential for residential development proposals on existing “scattered employment sites”. As Culver Graphics is a “scattered employment site”, the change in designation would be an encouragement to developers and proposals might be expected to come forward on a similar timescale to ELGA. . Mr Purdom asked the Parish Council if there would be any interest in developing and improving the broadband service to the area, Cllr Detsiny reported that he had spoken to Village Networks who had indicated that they did not think there was a broadband problem in this area. Mr Purdom said that broadband speeds were not very good and were likely to get slower with increased use and was keen to improve the service we have. BT does not intend to improve the Lane End exchange. He has two websites one of which would allow residents to register an interest – if sufficient people register then he would create a group of people to develop the idea. Mr Edgley made a comment on behalf of himself and other residents of Cadmore End who are concerned about the proposed planning application for Kirkwood. The entrance shown on the plans is totally unacceptable, however the applicant has indicated that they will revise their plans to use the original entrance which would be acceptable. The previous plans of October 08 had shown 2 dormers in the roof which were in keeping, the current plan shows a very large gable and balcony which other residents do not find acceptable. Mrs Dunning asked if any progress had been made about entering the Best Kept Village Competition in 2010 and highlighted the appalling state of 6 bus stops in the Parish. Mr Ross reported that Martin Hale of WDC had invited himself and Dr Edwards to a meeting about Sidney House. Cllr Coulter asked if the Parish Council could be involved in the meeting.</p> <p>5)Minutes: Approval of Minutes of Off Camera Meetings of 6th July and 20th July, Full Parish Council Meeting of 3rd August, Off Camera Minutes of 3rd August and Planning Committee Minutes of 17th August. The Off Camera Minutes of the 6th July Meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.</p>	<p>Action: Clerk to advise WDC of new Cllrs</p> <p>Action: Cllrs to investigate and report back to Council</p> <p>Action: Parish Council to attend meeting</p>
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The Off Camera Minutes of the 20th July were agreed as a true and accurate record.
 The Full Parish Council Meeting Minutes of 3rd August were agreed as a true and accurate record.
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 The Minutes of the Planning Committee of the 17th August were agreed as a true and accurate record.

6) Action point review: To agree those actions discharged & carried forward.

The Acting Clerk read through the Action Point summary to see if any items could be updated.
 The Acting Clerk reported that Cllr Mrs Teesdale had received correspondence from the business community about the lack of parking facilities in the village. She had been advised that a report would be produced for discussion at the October meeting.

Cllr Detsiny reported that he had attended several meetings in connection with the Street Dreams report and it was hoped that a presentation would be made to the Parish Council before Christmas covering what was needed and what costs were involved.

The Youth and Community Centre lease has been signed.

Cllr Coulter confirmed those items discharged, amended, those to be carried forward and items to be added.

Action: October Agenda

Action: December Agenda

7) Finance:

i) - Approval of payment of Accounts for September 09

Cllr Coulter confirmed all the papers that were for consideration. Council resolved the expenditure for the month unanimously. Cllr Nicolson felt that the Parish Council should reconsider their method of Financial Management/Reporting.

Action: Cllrs to review Financial Management/Reporting

ii) Consideration of a report on Spending Surplus Funds and to review expenditure against budget to date

The report prior had been issued to Councillors prior to the meeting. It was summarised by saying that the Parish Council's finances were extremely healthy due to recent legal actions and that, providing none of these surplus funds is spent, £140 – 150,000 should be in the bank at the end of the financial year and this is before we have set the 2010/2011 precept. Four options were presented from doing nothing to taking on a major project..

It was agreed to set up a small group of three Councillors and two members of the public to consider the options for utilizing this money for the maximum benefit to the community. Cllrs Nicolson and Coulter put their names forward. It was pointed out that the sum may seem very large but if a major project were to be undertaken this amount of money would be very easily utilised.

Action: Group of three Cllrs and two members of the public to be formed.

Cllr Coulter closed the meeting for the public to give some ideas on using the funds. Ideas such as: Youth/LESA; Village Car Parking – enforcement; footpath from Edmonds Parade to the village.

Cllr Coulter re-opened the meeting

Councillors agreed that options 3 & 4 were the way forward and would consider the above suggestions as well as Best Kept Village also a suggestion to purchase a Speed Indicator Device.

Cllr Coulter closed the meeting

Mrs Dunning suggested that the newly designed vandal proof bus shelters would be a good investment.

Cllr Coulter re-opened the meeting

Cllr Coulter asked that Councillors should produce a list of ideas and submit to the Acting Clerk and members of the public interested in sitting on the committee should contact the Acting Clerk.

Action: Cllrs to produce a list of potential projects and submit to Acting Clerk. Members of public to submit names to Acting Clerk

8) To consider a report on the proposed Moorend Common Bridleway

Cllr Detsiny left the room.

The proposal had been developed and produced by the Moorend Common Wardens. The Parish Council had received an objection from one member of the public.

The proposal was:

i) To realign the existing bridleway.

ii) Initially to change from Permissive to Definite, however BCC has agreed to continue with funding and keep it Permissive.

iii) To surface the section between Woodpeckers and White Cottage.

The total cost would be £4,800 funded by £1200 from the Chilterns Conservation Board, £1000 from the Parish Council and the balance by Bucks County Council

Cllr Coulter closed the meeting

Residents stated that they had not seen the report therefore it was difficult to comment upon. The Wardens stated that they had been communicating with residents over a period of time. Residents felt that the decision was being pushed forward to meet the CCB's funding deadline of 10th September. There was concern that BCC could force Lane End Parish Council to make a bridleway definitive

when it was not their land.

Concerns that this would currently be for the benefit of one horse rider and concerns about multi use and the safety of children/cyclists with vehicles and that it would cut a 5m swathe through the spinney.

Councillors should visit the site to see the issues raised.

An alternative bridleway was suggested.

The Commons Wardens stated that the spinney would have to be cleared regardless of the bridleway project and if it was a permissive bridleway the landowner can deny access to cyclists. It was suggested that we request the money and if it is decided not to pursue the project we could advise CCB accordingly.

Cllr Coulter re-opened the meeting

Councillors gave their individual views on the subject and it was resolved to carry out a site visit and to request the funds and ask Mr Osborn to cost out the suggested alternative route and bring the matter back to Council before making any final decision.

9)Easement Request: To agree to the request for an Easement for Pond Cottage and to sign the Easement document for White Cottage

The White Cottage easement was signed by the Chairman and Acting Clerk

Councillors resolved to agree to the request for an Easement for Pond Cottage and this was signed accordingly by the Clerk and will be sent to the Parish Councils solicitors for verification.

10)Wycombe District Council Consultation on Site Allocations: to receive further information Our initial response was submitted on time. Dr Edwards raised the proposal to have a plot of land between Sidney House and Pusey Way taken out of the Green Belt and AONB. This would enhance the potential of the Sidney House site for developers and a development would only be permitted if a sound barrier was constructed. This would benefit neighbouring properties. The land does not currently enhance the AONB.

Cllr Coulter closed the meeting

Mr Osborn reported that the Chilterns Conservation Board would not have any objections as long as any development was designed to The Chilterns Building Design Guide

Cllr Coulter re-opened the meeting

Councillors agreed that the sound barrier would benefit local people as would the creation of more homes in the community and development of the Sidney House site.

It was resolved to support the proposal and submit a further response to WDC accordingly.

11)Report on the Rural Forum from Cllr Mansell

The report had been submitted to the Chairman

12) Clerk's Report: including Correspondence and Reports received. List as pre-reading, which are available for inspection from the Clerk on request.

Actions 1 – 22 noted.

Item 4 – Handleton Common sign has been reported to Highways on Call and WDC

Item10 – new litter picker purchased and Cllr Pullen visited the Playing Field to investigate problems with rubbish bin and the litter being burnt.

Item17. Broken seat – repairs have been organised

Item 21- 4 Panleigh Cottages reported to Planning Enforcement

Item 22 – BCC has confirmed that they will supply the salt bins requested

13) Invitations to Meetings and Events received: To confirm attendees.

The Acting Clerk highlighted events on the list for Councillors to attend. Councillors to obtain further information from Acting Clerk.

14) Councillors reports and items for future agenda:

Cllr Detsiny reported that the advertisement for the new Clerk had appeared in the Bucks Free Press and so far, 12 people had shown an interest. The closing date is the 18th September. A short list should be available by the October Parish Council meeting.

15)Planning:

09/06588/CTREE – 1 The Square, Church Road – remove 2 sycamore trees – no objection as long as the WDC arboriculturist has no objections

09/06589/CTREE – Bakers Piece, Church Path – fell 1 silver birch – no objection as long as the

Action: Cllrs to have a site visit. Mr Osborn to produce report and cost alternative route

Action: Acting Clerk to send to PC's solicitors

Action: Submit an addendum to original response to WDC

Action: October agenda

WDC arboriculturist has no objections

09/06617/FUL – Kirkwood, Cadmore End – demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 1 x 4 bed detached dwelling with attached garage and basement – request an extension to response date so that Councillors can conduct a site visit.

To confirm whether there will be a Planning Committee Meeting on Monday 28th September 2009 from 7:30 pm in the Sycamore Room of Lane End Village Hall. It was resolved not to hold a Planning Committee meeting.

There being no further business for the Open Session, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25pm

Signed..... (Chair)

Dated.....

Action: request extension to response date and Cllrs to have a site visit

Action: Acting Clerk to cancel room booking