**PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a meeting of Padbury Parish Council held at Springfields Pavilion**

**on Tuesday 10th January 2017 at 7.30 p.m.**

Meeting opened at 7.00PM

**Present:** Cllr. K. Roberts, Chairman , Cllr. S. Dickens, Vice- Chairman , Cllr. M. Long, Cllr. P. Burton , Cllr. M. Williamson

**Also present**: Jo Bonney, Parish Clerk; County Councillor John Chilver, District Cllr. Sue Renshell, District Cllr. Llew Monger (arr. 8.30pm)

**77.**  **Apologies** - Cllr Murray sent apologies.

**78.** **Declarations of Interest** - None

**79.** **Minutes**  - **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes and confirm the recommendations therein of the meeting of the Parish Council held on:

Tuesday November 15th - PPC/06/1617

**80.** **Sports Field, Play Area & Woodland**

**80.1** Members informed that Npower replaced the Meter in November, but for a 2 way meter instead of 3. The Meter is due to be replaced again on Friday 13th Jan. As a result of the previous cancellations and re-assessment of the bills since the fitting of the new Meter, we have received a refund and are now £255.45 in credit.

**80.2** Clerk to advise members that the Pavilion has had its annual Fire Safety Inspection. The extinguisher in the Kitchen has been replaced with a C02 extinguisher. This meets all health and safety standards and gives the building the required cover. The water extinguisher in the changing rooms had been discharged at an earlier date. Risk Assessment has been updated. MW asked why we would have water extinguisher and not all CO2. Cllr Roberts advised for health and safety reasons.

**81.** **Planning**

**81.1** **Planning applications received from AVDC**

* 16/04445/APP - Old Oak House 23B Old End Padbury Buckinghamshire MK18 2BE - Erection of garage and entrance gates – **RESOLVED TO OPPOSE** the application for the same reason as the previous applications as there appears to be no material change. The plans also still show a building that does not exist.
* 16/04436/APP - 32 Main Street Padbury Buckinghamshire MK18 2AY – Demolition of existing garden building and erection of new garden building – **RESOLVED that there are NO OBJECTIONS** to the plans as submitted.
* 16/04437/ALP - 32 Main Street Padbury Buckinghamshire MK18 2AY – Removal of internal wall and alteration to fenestration. **RESOLVED that there are NO OBJECTIONS** to the plans as submitted.
* 16/00482/AOP – Land Adjoining West Bourn Main street – Awaiting Decision

**RESOLVED that there are NO COMMENTS REQUIRED**

* 16/02461/ATP (APPEAL) – Land to Rear 25 Old End - Oak (T1) crown reduce by 1.5m in height and 3m in spread - **RESOLVED that there are NO COMMENTS REQUIRED**
  + 16/03389/APP – The Robin Hood Main Street Padbury – Demolition of Single Storey Outbuilding – Awaiting Decision **WITHDRAWN**

**81.2** **Decisions made by AVDC**

* + 16/03728/APP – 23B Old End - Erection of garage and entrance gates – Comments Requested by 16th Nov 16 – **Not Proceeded With**
  + 16/03917/APP – 29 Main Street – Erection of shed and Greenhouse **- Approved**

**81.3** **Other Planning issues**:

* Padbury Neighbourhood Plan progress. – No progress
* Bloor Homes s S106 request for information by AVDC. – Cllr Roberts in consultation with all Cllrs responded on 4th Jan.
* There has been lots of concern regarding Garden Village proposal. There have been rumours that Verney Junction is a likely location, however there are no submitted plans. Aylesbury has been highlighted as a potential location of a Garden Town.
* Housing Needs Reduction - Cllr Monger advised that Wycombe will build 2k houses subject to permission. South Bucks possibly won’t reduce numbers, however, there is still an issue of meeting London and Luton’s unmet need, therefore numbers could go back up. Changing of unitary authorities will have no impact on this. It is the opinion of Cllr Monger that greenbelt land may have to be built on. AVDC will have to update VALP to take into account new requirements.

**82.** **Finance**

**82.1** **Account Balances:**

The balances for the Bank accounts are as follows: (Appendix A)

Santander Springfield Sport Legacy a/c £8821.38 (as at 5th Jan 2017)

Barclays Community Current a/c xxx959 £9022.57 (as at 5th Jan 2017)

Barclays Reserve savings a/c xxx909 £8012.59 (as at 5th Jan 2017)

Barclays Play Area a/c xxx970 £1503.89 (as at 5th Jan 2017)

Barclays Millennium Wood a/c xxx198 £3925.00 (as at 5th Jan 2017)

**82.2** **Between meetings:**

No payments made

**82.3 Presented at meeting:**

Mr F Morris – £26.00 - Christmas tree – Cheque 101814

Phillips Print & Stationers - £ 214.88 – Dec Pump Printing – Cheque 101815

J Bonney - £504.68 – Clerk Salary Nov/Dec and Expenses – Cheque 101806

Salary Nov - £237.34

Salary Dec - £237.34

Expenses £30.00 – Mobile Phone and Cutting Keys

B Gough - £75.00 – Pavilion Maintenance – Cheque 101807

**82.4** **Income:**

Interest – Amounts will be confirmed when statements are received

£200 from Lenborough Benefice towards the Parish Pump printing.

**82.5** **Income and Expenditure reports** - Members are asked to review as submitted up to 31st December.

**82.6** Resolved that all were happy with the new Finance Supporting Documents Format. The clerk pointed out that there will be small improvements going forward, but the new format will be used from now on.

**82.7 Resolved to adopt** the suggested Reserves Policy

**82.8 Resolved to formally accept and adopt** the suggested2017/18 Budget and request a precept of £18,500 from AVDC for the Year 2017/18. Cllr Monger suggested we should think about increasing our reserves. It was also noted that in 2 years time the cost of devolved services would double when the grant stops, however, based on our newly adopted reserves policy and the 6% increase in the proposed precept, it was agreed that our current reserves are sufficient and we could not increase the precept any further.

**82.9** Cllr Roberts and Cllr Dickens signed a letter to Santander confirming the closure of the account. This was following a request from Santander for more security information following the initial request for closure.

**83.0**  **Other Parish Council Business:**

• Replacement streetlights – Awaiting delivery and fitting – Clerk to chase again. Clerk to speak to Gawcott Parish Clerk for information regarding their recent street light improvements. BCC also have a street light replacement service, and Cllr Roberts will investigate further. Clerk to speak to Charles Lock at Winslow TC to get more information.

• Redundant BT Openreach poles – update on removal – the bulk of the equipment has now been transferred. BT have started to take them down, but very slowly. Western Power are also chasing so they can complete their work

• Padbury Pump – Lenborough Benefice offered £200 towards the cost of printing the Padbury Pump. This comes from advertising revenue linked to the Lenborough Benefice.

• Wall at Pointer’s View, Lower Way – Clerk informed members that she is waiting for a response from the letting agents regarding surveying the wall. No response was ever received from the owner of the property.

* Pavilion Improvements  The need for forward planning to improve the pavilion was discussed. **It was RESOLVED** to do so, and the Clerk will start this process.

**84.0** **Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC):**

* VALP/Unitary Authority Meeting Update – Both AVDC and BCC have submitted documents with their outline plans. The plans are now formal and the District Council are due to send their plan to DCLG in the next week. The final decision is to be made by secretary of state based on what is best for residents. Cllr Roberts attended the BCC parish council conference - community hubs seemed too complicated and there has been no community consultation, but rather ‘engagement’. No further devolution will be considered until the unitary authority has been decided.
* Play around the Parishes application - Recommended by Cllr Murray to ask PFA if they want to contribute to offer more sessions. Clerk to contact PFA.

**85.0** **Correspondence circulated in between meetings via e-mail:**

* Invitation to Bucks Freight Strategy / Local Transport Plan Meeting – Cllr Roberts to attend
* Parish Defibrillator offers – Cllr Roberts believes we would need more than 1 (about 3) and then they need maintenance. Approx. £60 – 80 per year. Following examples of scenarios given by councillors it was agreed that a couple on their own wouldn’t be able to get to a public defibrillator. **All resolved** that the village wouldn’t benefit from a defibrillator because of geography and the number of people that would need to be available to get the defibrillator and make it work.
* Aylesbury and Buckingham Transport Strategies Consultation – nothing to contribute.
* Support your local Citizens Advice request – R**esolved to** donate £50
* Council Tax Referendum has not been extended to Parish and Town Councils for 2017/18
* AVDC Democratic & Electoral Services survey - Cllr Roberts responded
* Formal Consultation on the revised highway safety inspection policy
* Residents can ask questions about Bucks County Councils budget by emailing [democracy@buckscc.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@buckscc.gov.uk) or tweeting using #BucksBudget
* Royal Garden Party.
* Winter Preparedness – BCC – Cllr Roberts responded. Padbury know our risks.
* Let’s Talk Health – 111 Statement Consultation. – Consultation link didn’t work – consultation had already finished.
* ‘Restoring the Record’ Project. – Looking for people to volunteer to document paths/bridleways.
* Padbury Village Hall and s106 Contributions. - Following a letter for a resident requesting that S106 funds be allocated to the Village Hall – Cllr Roberts responded to advise that the village hall could not be included in S106 for the Bloor Development. The further away from the building site, the less likely to get funding. All advised that the time frame for the funds could be years.

**86.0** **Highways:**

* Footways by War memorial. Following no response from TfB asking why the work request was cancelled. Cllr Chilvers offered to follow up.
* Winslow Cycleway – Members are advised that work is ongoing and that updates have been received from Mr Roberts – project manager. When the work started we were assured that all ground would be re-instated. In email on 22nd Dec, the contractor stated they will add daffodil bulbs as a good will gesture. This should not be a good will gesture as there were bulbs planted before the work started.
* Safety railings at the top of lower way, height between path and first rail – child could fall through. Inspected by Cllr Dickens who also reports that they are loose and inadequately fitted. Cllr Chilvers is to be copied in on any future correspondence and will assist in getting this work rectified. We are currently awaiting a response from TFB.
* Parking and Damage Caused by New Houses and Cycleway on Springfields – update by Cllr Roberts – Cllr Roberts wrote to VAHT before Christmas. They have responded by looking at the damage, and will engage with the cycleway project team to make sure the everything is re-instated It was suggested that this may be an opportunity to grasscrete the green on the main road. Cllr Roberts will speak to VAHT. However, this could turn into a car park for the school rather than replacement parking for villagers.
* Cycle way signage complaints AVDC have responded and stated that they fit design criteria and safety regulations.
* A421 Lone Tree Junction briefing – Nothing heard since. There will be a formal response following the petition. The next meeting will be in March.
* Revised Highway Safety Inspection Policy – Consultation. – TFB winter workshop was briefed. PC Supported.
* BCC Parking Policy. – Cllr Roberts spoke to BCC – we have established that Highways own the green. Need to make a case for parking bay and then seek funding. Cllr Roberts will draft a proposal to BCC.

**87.0 Any other Business**

* Cllr Dickens has suggested that work on the millennium wood tree cutting and clearing needs to start. In previous years a working party from the village has helped. Cllr Dickens to propose some dates. Cllr Morris is happy to help, but does not want to use the chainsaw. Cllr Dickens and Cllr Morris to scope the work and get formal quotes.

**87.0** Suggested dates for next meetings were confirmed as

December – No Meeting

14th February 2017 amended to the 21st February

14th March 2017

11th April 2017

9th May 2017

Meeting closed at 9.40pm

Signed………………………………………Chairman Date…………………………