

PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting of Padbury Parish Council held at Springfields Pavilion
on Tuesday 15th November 2016 at 7.00 p.m.

Meeting opened at 7.00PM

Present: Cllr. K. Roberts, Chairman
 Cllr. S. Dickens, Vice- Chairman
 Cllr. M. Long
 Cllr. V. Murray
 Cllr. M. Williamson

Also present: Jo Bonney, Parish Clerk; Padbury Residents; County Councillor John Chilver and Mark Preston, Finance Director Bucks County Council.

- 64.0** A Padbury resident attended the meeting to express concerns regarding the speed cars travel through the village at the bottom of Main Street. This issue has been raised before. Cllr Roberts and Cllr Dickens explained the history of the ongoing traffic and speed problem. We experience more traffic because of the development on the Claydons. Padbury should have had calming chicanes funded by the Calvert development, however, funding ran out and the village were provided with the 3 white gates and rumble strips. The rumble strips are no longer visible as have been covered by resurfacing works. It was pointed out that the main problem is going towards the Claydons.
- A mobile speed camera is available and provides evidence that can be reported to the Police. Padbury no longer have a speed watch team and therefore need someone to step forward to run it. Clerk to speak to police and see if they can patrol the village and find out the availability of the speed watch equipment, as we have many young families crossing the road and using the pavements. Bins have been pushed down the road after they were hit by a vehicle.
- The Council also own an MVAS (Moveable Vehicle Activated Sign). Mr Mitchell has offered to take over the management of the Sign and be in charge of replacing and charging the batteries and relocating the unit around the village. There are mounting poles outside Bennetts Farm and by the allotments we can use. Mr Mitchell suggested a mirror to be placed on the green at the bottom of main street to facilitate safe crossing of the road, however Cllr Roberts suggested BCC Highways would not permit this, based on previous requests for mirrors around the village.
- Currently don't have a long term solution as there are a variety of options not available because of the level of traffic, which will only get worse when HS2 work starts. Members will consider options that are put forward.

Resident arrived at 7.20pm

Representing the people of Springfields, he brought to the attention of the council the damage being caused to the footways curb stones by the many lorries associated with the Cycleway and the two new houses. The road was repaired 18 months ago but is now severely damaged. Cllr Roberts advised that we have already requested that TfB restore the curb stones, grass/ road to its previous condition before the Cycle way work commenced. The Parish Council will speak to VAHT regarding the damaged caused by the building of the two new houses that have been in progress for over 6 months. However, it is important that the public also contact VAHT to complain. Springfields is also being used as a one-way circuit for construction traffic, which is exacerbating the situation.

- 65.0** The members of the Parish Council were briefed on BCC's proposal to form a Unitary Authority for Buckinghamshire by Cllr John Chilver and Mark Preston. The business case supporting the proposal had already been sent to the Secretary of State at Department for Communities and Local Government for consideration. They invited questions and comment. The main ones raised concerned:
- The view that the business case was comprehensive on financial issues, but less so on the provision of services in terms of detail.
 - The setting up of the proposed Community Boards and Hubs, and what their accountability would be.
 - The lack of easy comparison of the figures provided in support of both this proposal and the one being championed by the District Councils within Buckinghamshire. This made decision-making based on the merits/de-merits of each option difficult.
 - The risk of headlong move towards devolution of services to Town and Parish Councils without any associated revenue streams. Reliance on such Councils having to finance such services was unfair, and there was a major risk associated with the increased use of volunteers to manage and deliver some services. This could result in an uneven provision of services between communities.
 - The disappointment felt by BCC use of 'engagement' after the case had been submitted to DCLG, rather than by real 'consultation' beforehand.

For information, the link to the business case is (<http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/about-your-council/our-plans/modernising-local-government/>)

- 66. Apologies** - Cllr Burton sent apologies.
- 67. Declarations of Interest** - None
- 68. Minutes** - **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes and confirm the recommendations therein of the meeting of the Parish Council held on:
Wednesday 10th October 2016 - PPC/05/1617
- 69. Sports Field, Play Area & Woodland**
- 69.1** Councillors considered the proposals put forward by Cllr Burton regarding the Pavilion Key storage. **RESOLVED** they leave the key storage as it is and to get another spare set of keys cut. These are to be held by the pavilion caretaker.
- 69.2** Members informed that Npower did not arrive to replace the pavilion meter on the 9th November as arranged. New date has been given of 18th November. Another £30 will be credited to the pavilion electricity account for the cancelled appointment.
- 69.3** **RESOLVED** that the quote provided by Terry Lynch for work to the sports field is to be accepted.
- 70. Planning**
- 70.1 Planning applications received from AVDC**
- 16/02461/ATP (APPEAL) – Land to Rear 25 Old End - Oak (T1) crown reduce by 1.5m in height and 3m in spread
 - 16/03728/APP – 23B Old End - Erection of garage and entrance gates – Comments Requested by 16th November 20 16
- The Parish Council **RESOLVED** to Object to this application on the following grounds:

1. The scale and style of both the proposed garage and gates are out of proportion, and not in keeping with, their surroundings, especially given the adjacent Conservation Area and Listed Buildings.
2. The proposed garage would block light into the neighbouring property.
3. We would wish for clarification on what building the block shown on the drawing refers to. There has been a plethora of differing applications on this site. Our understanding is that 16/00063/REF refers to an appeal for the erection of a detached dwelling with integral drawing. Is this what is being referred to in this application? If so, why is there now a need for a further garage?
4. Our objective assessment of this application is not helped by the lack of clarity and consistency for the various other applications associated with this site. Indeed, even the address and terminology has changed between the various applications.
 - 16/03917/APP – 29 Main Street – Erection of shed and Greenhouse - No Objection

70.2 Decisions made by AVDC

- 16/03491/APP- The Old Forge, Lower Way – Demolition and replacement of existing conservatory – APPROVED
- 16/03047/APP – Japonica Cottage 22 Old End – First floor extension above rear wing and construction of car port - APPROVED
- 16/00482/AOP – Land Adjoining West Bourn Main street – Awaiting Decision
- 16/00063/REF – Former garages Rear of Nos 23-25 Old End – Demolition of existing garages and erection of detached dwelling with integral garage. – Appeal

70.3 Other Planning issues:

- Padbury Neighbourhood Plan progress – No further progress

71. Finance

71.1 Account Balances:

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

Santander Springfield Sport Legacy a/c	£8817.17	(as 9th Nov 2016)
Barclays Community Current a/c xxx959	£10,664.98	(as at 28th Oct 2016)
Barclays Reserve savings a/c xxx909	£8011.59	(as at 9th Nov 2016)
Barclays Play Area a/c xxx970	£1503.70	(as at 9th Nov 2016)
Barclays Millennium Wood a/c xxx198	£3825.00	(as at 9th Nov 2016)

71.2 Between meetings:

Npower - £191.66 (£159.72 + £31.94 VAT) — Direct Debit (9/11/16)
 Npower - £7.09 (£5.91 + £1.18 VAT) - Direct Debit (9/11/16)
 Anglian Water - £66.93 – Pavilion Water & Sewerage - Cheque 101
 Npower - £231.69 – Pavilion Electricity Charges (Estimated) £284.74 + £56.95 VAT - £110 Credit)

71.3 Presented at meeting:

FR Morris - £132.00 – Playing Field Hedge Cutting – Cheque 101805
 FR Morris - £216.00 – Padbury Wood Hedge Cutting – Cheque 101806
 J Bonney - £256.22 – Clerk Salary October and Expenses – Cheque 101807
 Salary - £237.34
 Expenses £18.88 – Stamps and Stationary
 SLCC - £82 – Annual Membership Subscription – Cheque 101808
 Cheque 101809 – Cancelled –Npower Paid By DD
 ICO - £35 – Data Protection Annual Registration – Cheque 101810

Lynch Garden Services – Grass Cutting - £520.00 – Cheque 101811
H Paxton - £98.18 – Sports Field Maintenance – Cheque 101812

71.4 Income:

Interest – Amounts will be confirmed when statements are received
£848.72 – Devolved Services Payment

71.5 Income and Expenditure reports - Members are asked to review as submitted up to 31st October, together with YTD vs Budget in the accounting workbook. (Appendices B & C)

71.6 2017/18 Budget and Precept planning. Members are asked to review the proposed budget, prior to formal acceptance at the January 2017 PC meeting. **RESOLVED** that Clerk, Cllr Burton and Cllr Williamson will be a working party to reformat the budget and the way the accounts are presented. No decisions will be made, budget to be presented and agreed at the January Meeting.

71.7 Bank Mandate Changes – Members informed that the Bank Mandate change had been actioned. Cllr Roberts and Dickens to sign a letter requesting the closing of the Santander account.

72.0 Other Parish Council Business:

- Replacement streetlights – Awaiting delivery and fitting – Clerk to chase again
- 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.
- Padbury Pump – members are advised that to date advertising revenue totals £669.00 vs £924.00 last year. This represents 16 paid advertising spaces vs approx. 40 published. The PCC will be meeting in December where this is on the agenda. Cllr Williamson will offer his services to that group, and represent the PC at that meeting.
- Clerk will keep a record of when the dog waste bins are emptied. Money will be claimed back for weeks when the bins are not emptied.
- Street Light Fault at Old End – resolved to leave on. Clerk to investigate TFB's costs for maintaining street lights.
- Councillors advised that the blocked drains on Main Street have now been cleared.
- Extension of Grass Cutting Requirements – Clerk to confirm the ownership on land at the top of Springfields that hasn't been mowed.
- Contact from Buckingham CAB re: request for benevolence support for a resident. Confirmed the Parish Council are not able assist as we do not have the Powers to do so.
- Wall at Pointer's View, Lower Way – Clerk informed members that an email and photograph have been sent to the Landlord in America, but no response received.
- Music in Quiet Places 2017. Request for possible venue. – **RESOLVED** no action for PC

73.0 Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC):

- VALP/Unitary Authority Meeting Update – At the meeting on the 14th November it was announced that the housing need for the District has been significantly reduced. The submission of VALP has now been put back to April whilst a review takes place. Parish Councils will be consulted on the outcome.

74.0 Correspondence circulated in between meetings via e-mail:

- BCC Devolution Project Board Summary
- LAF Meeting Minutes Update
- AVALC and AVDC Liaison Meeting Minutes
- AVALC AGM

- Minutes of NBPPC meeting held on 19th October 2016.
- Local Government Financial Settlement 2017/18. Significance for PCs.
- TfB Winter Driving Workshops. Single Council Vote

75.0 Highways:

- Devolved services – Mr Lynch has been asked for an estimate for performing weed control of pavements and gullies; and siding out of pavements.
- Winslow Cycleway – members are advised that work is ongoing and that updates have been received from Mr Roberts – project manager/BCC. Frontage residents have received correspondence.
- New Inn Cycle Way problem – Cllr Morris to give Feedback from Meeting
- Cycleway Signage
- Councillors are advised that the Blocked Drains on Main Street have been cleared
- Weekend work on Old End and Lodge Close. BCC Confirmed work will stop on the 13th Nov whilst the Remembrance Service takes place.
- Petition to change the Lone Tree Junction
- Repairs to footway – Main Street.
- Enhanced parking proposals – lower Main Street.63.0

76.0 Suggested dates for next meetings were confirmed as

December – No Meeting

10th January 2017

14th February 2017

14th March 2017

11th April 2017

9th May 2017

Meeting closed at 9.40pm

Signed.....Chairman Date.....