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CLERK'S REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS AND ACTIONS SINCE LAST MEETING - prepared by Barbara Bland, Clerk, for PC meeting 20-10-14

1. Communication with Bob Williams, Alder Mill to finalise financial Agreement for payment to MPC re Area G.
2. Emails to David Waterson, Mike Swallow, Dick Woodward re Meriden Gate and landscaping works.
3. Communication re Meriden Spartans CC Bob Williams Alder Mill regarding Area E proposal.
4. Meeting with Michael Wellock re Neighbourhood Planning process and designation of Parish; letter to SMBC and application.
5. Ongoing follow up emails and dialogue with Ashley Prior re highways improvements c/o TWH.
6. Letter to TWH engineers with copies to SMBC re MPC decline to take on maintenance of new POS including SuDs (balancing pond) – attached.
7. On-going dialogue with Edge Finance re new Company set up and support.
8. Dialogue/emails re funding of programme of works and MPC contribution for new IT suite with Libraries.
9. Dialogue/emails re. overage and freehold outstanding with Mike Swallow and David Waterson.
10. Pertemps planning application follow up emails with Neil Pearson, Avon Planning, re planning committee 01-10-14.
11. Extensive preparation and form filling with Land Registry re. Copse and Footpath.
12. Met with Church Committee re. maintenance of graveyard & Memorial.
13. Meeting arranged for November with Conservators re. Cyclist's Memorial maintenance and future.
14. Attended WALC Finance Briefing for new legislation re. e-banking and review of financial regulations.



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15. Community Surgery held at Pavilion with Cllr K Allsopp & Clerk

Community Surgery held on Monday 6th October 2014:-

- Leys Lane residents re. lack of response for solution to parking and new footpath and possible bollards?
- Bruce Brant was to speak to highways but await feedback.
- Request for weight restriction currently 7.5 tonnes but want dropped to 2 tonnes as lane being used as short cut by Pettifors.
- Request for speed restriction.
- Overgrown hedges and unsightly weeds on corner of Leymere Close that is regularly ignored but now causing sight line problems when approaching bend in Leys Lane.
- Digby Place signage is working

- Update from Cllr Allsopp that he has personally spoken with the Manager at the Manor Hotel regarding car parking on Main Road. The Manor have opened up their grassed area as overflow when hosting events to release pressure of on-site parking.
- Darlaston Court remains problem with overflow parking. SMBC looking into it and Cllr Allsopp to chase Highways for survey that Ed Bradford had undertaken.
- Cllr Allsopp is to chase Bruce Brant regarding the proposed bollards to Fillongley Road re vehicle obstruction to footpaths when visiting café.

- Update from Library for tentative 4-6 week closure of services for ICT suite refurbishment in December 2014.

- Maxstoke Lane residents concerns regarding recent Neighbourhood Watch/Residents Association meeting with feelings that Maxstoke Lane should be included as they are affected by anti social behaviour too. Cllr Allsopp will raise at next meeting.
- Update required re unlawful occupancy of field for caravan storage. Cllr Allsopp to see how far Planning Officers are with enforcement notice.
- Concerns regarding the opening of footpath that has not been used for 22 years with view that it will be used as a rat run and extensive work is required to enable this footpath to be used as secure walkway to and from bus stop.
- Street lights remain not working after being in situ for 14 months. One street light is known to have no mains connection? What is hold up?
- Landscaping works well underway but concerns still raised over permanent safety structure around drainage drop.

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