

Minutes for the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 25th July 2011 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present Rosie Weaver, Melanie Lee, Bob Kipling, Paul Lee and 2 representatives from Tarmac and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies

None

Absent

None

2. Declaration of Interest

The Chair invited members to make declaration of personal and prejudicial interest in respect of items on the agenda of the meeting.

No declarations of interest were made

3. Minutes

3.1 RESOLVED

That the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting on 27th June 2011, having been circulated, be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

None

5A Presentation by Tarmac

Brian Shaw and Peter Perryman of Tarmac attended the meeting to provide a further update following their attendance at the parish council meeting in February. PC and Tarmac walked round the proposed footpath and PC saw the work that Tarmac is undertaking. As for traffic issues, a letter has been sent to all hauliers and there is a new sign by the Weybridge.

Tarmac would like feedback upon these actions and report vehicles as drivers should not be coming through the village. Tarmac informed that drivers from other sites were not bound by this agreement but the majority of vehicles should not be using the village.

Tarmac confirmed that site activity takes place at 7am, on Saturday activity takes place until 12 noon and there is no activity on Sunday.

As for the gateway, Tarmac are committed to stop the visual impact of the gate and get more planting. They are seeking to complete by the end of August.

A question arose regarding backfill. The site is handed back to UK coal who deal with filling. PC raised concern over wildlife and would be interested in working with UK Coal to keep the water features.

Tarmac advised that they wished to support the local community and had donated a football trophy and handed a further trophy to be donated to the Parish.

Tarmac agreed to install dog waste bins around the new footpath.

Tarmac were formally thanked for the trophies and for agreeing to install the dog waste bins. A further meeting was arranged with Tarmac to visit the quarry on 6th September 2011 at 6.30pm. Tarmac will send an invite to SMBC, other parishes and district councillors.

5. **Public participation**

Item 9.3 was brought forward and discussed by the public. Concern was raised at loss of employment and amenity.

6. **Correspondence and Communication**

- 6.1 Letter from Taylor Wimpey – advising of intention to serve notice of proposed changes to allotments as a result of proposals for the wider Leys Lane site
- 6.2 Letter from Resident regarding Leys Lane, Meriden – traffic calming petition
- 6.3 Letter from SMBC sending thanks for input and contribution to Conservation Advisory Committee
- 6.4 Letter from Wood Glaister acknowledging receipt of warranties
- 6.5 Letter from SMBC – Local Development Framework Core Strategy Conference – 27.07.11
- 6.6 Various e-mails from Taylor Wimpey
- 6.7 E-mail from Dave Turton regarding complaint
- 6.8 Letter from NPower regarding complaint
- 6.9 Various e-mails from residents regarding sports facilities

7. **Receive Reports**

It was agreed that reports would be discussed as and when relevant. No comments made.

8. **Village Matters**

- 8.1 **Pool** – BB has confirmed that funding not available from source that he was pursuing. Clerk has asked for other options to enable work to be carried out.

We have included a small amount in this year's budget but we need to pursue funding options as the works are costly. Clerk has asked BB for an estimated figure in respect of costs.

8.2 **Maxstoke Lane/Hampton Lane development – Update**

- 8.2.1 Warranties signed and returned. Two further warranties now approved. To agree various extensions to retainer to advise on warranties

RESOLVED

Extension to retainer letter agreed.

8.2.2 To consider and approve the residential transfer and agree that this may be completed subject to advice from legal advisors

RESOLVED

It was agreed that provided the Parish Council's legal advisors are happy the transfer may be completed.

8.2.3 Date for completion predicted to be 5th August 2011

8.2.4 Plans for opening - To consider and agree the appointment of Paul Jayes to act as consultant and to consider and agree extension of current contract with C.Dean for services in relation to the new playing fields.

RESOLVED

That Paul Jayes is appointed as a consultant to provide services at the ceiling rate of £15.00 per hour. Chris Dean is appointed to open and close facility at the quoted rate until further notice.

8.3 **Public Conveniences** – Toilets demolished. Fencing in the process of being fabricated and will be installed within ten days. To agree payment of invoice

RESOLVED

That the account is paid

8.4 **HS2 – Consultation** – Outcome of Scrutiny Hearing

RW attended the hearing and gave evidence. SMBC still agree in principle although they have asked for an environmental impact report.

8.5 **Leys Lane – traffic calming measures** - To consider supporting petition from residents

RESOLVED

That the parish council supports the petition as it is within the parish plan and design statement

8.6 **Leys Lane** – Communication from Taylor Wimpey regarding consultation and public exhibition

Public exhibition held on 22nd July. PL and ML reported upon the exhibition. Reference was made to the parish plan. This is the opinion of Meriden residents that is being ignored.

Taylor Wimpey advise that they have no option but to terminate the allotment lease. They have to give us a minimum one year's notice. The next time they can serve a termination notice is September and they intend to action this.

RESOLVED

Clerk to write to Taylor Wimpey to inform of the position of the parish council and copy allotment holders and district councillors

8.7 **Parish Design Statement** – Update provided that the group is waiting to hear from SMBC

8.8 **Allotments** – Update regarding payments and a report with regard to prospective tenants. To consider and agree letting plots for no rent where extensive work is required to clear weeds and bring plot to satisfactory condition. To also consider action to clear pathways

RESOLVED

That the plots requiring substantial clear up are let at no rent for the current year and Brian Ball is instructed to clear pathways

8.9 **Summer Sports Programme** - Sports Equipment for Playing Fields – To agree payment of invoice for various equipment and additional kit

RESOLVED

That the invoice is paid

8.10 **Eaves Green Lane** – Update of Public Inquiry provided. Inquiry has ended and the Inspectors decision is due at the end of September

8.11 **Financial Report**

This was provided at the last meeting

8.12 **Clerks hours** – Update of advice from WALC. To agree payment of the additional hours

RESOLVED

That the Clerk is paid overtime

8.13 **Birmingham Airport** – Notice has been received of the Biennial review of night flying policy. A Consultation is to take place and began on 1st June 2011. To commence from Winter 2011. Report received and representations to be made by 24th August 2011

RESOLVED

To be considered at the next meeting

9. Planning Matters

9.1 **2011/902 Meriden Reservoir, Birmingham Road, Meriden CV7 7HZ** – Erect a 5.35m x 3.9m x 3.2m high phosphoric acid dosing (pad) kiosk within STWL owned operational land at Meriden reservoir number 3

Note: We have been informed that the overall height would be 3.35m high

Comments: No objection based on revised height

9.2 2011/938 Fentham, Church Lane, Meriden CV7 7HX – First floor and two storey rear extensions two storey front porch/bedroom extension, demolition of existing garage and erection of tandem double garage, new entrance gates and piers

Comments: neighbour notification

9.3 2011/825 Land at Shirleys Garage (Meriden) Limited, Main Road, Meriden, CV7 7NE – Demolish existing petrol station and service station, remove all existing petrol tanks, pumps, and vehicular hardstanding and construct 7 No. new dwellings

We have a range of comments as there are split views

- a) No objection but would request that name of Shirley's is retained
- b) Object as despite going to public consultation, this site did not come up as an identified site and it does not identify a future need in the village
Object on the basis of the loss of an amenity and employment

10. Accounts & Governance

RESOLVED

That the accounts are approved for payment.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Monday 26th September 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 10.07pm.

Chair: _____

Date: _____