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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
21st September 2015 at the Pavilion, Meriden Sports Park at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr M Lee Chair
 Cllr R Weaver
 Cllr P Lee
 Mrs B Bland Clerk

There were 6 members of the public present and Cllrs Bell and Allsopp.

1. Public Participation

Chair held up framed Awards from Solihull Neighbourhoods in Bloom for winning BEST VILLAGE and RHS Britain in Bloom, Heart of England SILVER award for Large Village; congratulating with applause from all present Meriden Bloomers, Parish Sponsors and the Clerk for their hard work and commitment in ensuring the Parish looks at its best!

Chair welcomed PC Simon Harrison, Rural Neighbourhood Police Team and invited him to provide an update.

PC Harrison gave a brief overview of challenges rural police team are facing not least reduced number of officers policing a larger area linked to Government cuts. The lease at Balsall Common base is up in 2016. Car crime has increased with more patrols in and around the Parish and generally increase in crime across Borough. The Co-op has been the subject of another robbery (29/8); most criminal activity has occurred around closing time, however this latest attack was between 2.30 – 3pm on a Saturday. Patrols drop in from time to time for reassurance; security is usually provided by the Co-op during evenings. There is a gang going around who have attached the Co-op in Bentley Heath together with a number of robberies in the Coventry area.

Cllr Weaver commented that this is a residential area and residents are concerned for their safety as well as increasing the insurance premiums for home insurance, particularly as all attacks have included weapons. PC Harrison said there are increased patrols with camera upgrade recommendations. Security guards are usually on between 6 – 10pm.

Cllr Allsopp stated that the till should be removed from just inside the door and re-sited at rear of shop. Chair stated that the escape route down alley to Arden Close and then onto Allspath Road and Fillongley Road was a good fast one into waiting vehicles and asked how many incidents had there been this year to which PC Harrison replied three. Cllr Weaver advised a meeting with the Regional Manager is arranged for 14th October 2015.

Signed **Chair** **Dated**

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The Clerk had invited a resident from Alspath Road to attend the meeting to raise his concerns regarding speeding traffic, implementation of traffic calming measures, enforcement, danger spots, parking around the green, double yellow lines. A good discussion between residents and Councillors to agree a programme of action resulted. Cllr Weaver extended an invitation to become a member of the Neighbourhood Planning Group and in particular be part of the task and finish group looking at highways issues with police and highways officers. Cllr P Lee declared a recent speed watch recorded 750 cars/minute on Fillongley Road which was intense traffic travelling in both directions. To make a difference and improve traffic speed there is a need for all agencies to work together.

PC Harrison further commented that the ASBO statistics are positive with intense work being done within a multi-agency team to conclude the situation on Letitia Avenue within the next 6 weeks. All patrols are now carried out by cars with no beat patrols any more. The next beat surgery will be held on 15th October 2015 in the Library. Anyone wishing to contact PC Harrison should go to the West Midlands Police Your Neighbourhood website where all contact details may be found.

Action: Due to lack of attendance the Clerk will look a future joint community/beat surgery at the Pavilion.

Chair thanked PC Harrison and he left the meeting.

A UKIP representative asked if the Council was aware of Solihull’s Combined Authority proposal and all it entails including taking over other local authority deficits for services such as NHS and Police. Cllr Weaver replied that Meriden had hosted the Solihull Area Committee meeting in July and guest speakers were Leader of Council, Cllr Bob Sleigh and CEO, Nick Page, who gave a presentation on the Combined Authority vision.

Chair thanked all participants and invited residents to leave or stay for full council meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllrs Haque (working abroad), Nunn (family bereavement), Lynch-Smith (family commitment), Barber (caring responsibilities), Kipling (eye procedure). It was noted that Council was quorate with three Members only attending full Council meeting.

IT WAS RESOLVED Apologies were formally recorded and reasons for absence accepted.

Declarations of Interest

3a To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

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There was nothing to declare.

3b To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature
There was nothing to declare.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 27th July 2015 were considered and agreed.

IT WAS RESOLVED Cllr P Lee proposed acceptance of the minutes of Parish Council meeting 27th July 2015. Cllr Weaver seconded this proposal.

Matters/actions arising: All as per agenda and standing items.

5. Finance

5.1 Approve September Payments

Members received payments for Parish Council and Sports Park for approval. Cllr P Lee proposed approval, seconded by Cllr Weaver.

IT WAS RESOLVED Members approved September payments of £3,468.25 for Parish Council and £4,121.02 for Sports Park.

5.2 Grant Thornton External Audit

The Clerk advised Parish Council compliance with public display of Notice of Conclusion of Audit for Accounts year ended 31 March 2015. Two minor recommendations from Grant Thornton to be put in place being (i) Risk Register (delegated to finance committee and adopted 25th June 2015) and (ii) Annual Return box section 1 box 3 Council Tax Support Grant of £2,541 had been incorrectly included in Box 2. Box 2 should state £38,930 and Box 3 state £19,366.

IT WAS RESOLVED Members thanked the Clerk and accepted Grant Thornton's recommendation; thus the external audit for financial year 2014-2015 was approved.

5.3 Askews - Annual Accounts & Companies House

The Clerk advised the Annual Accounts had been concluded by Accountants Askews for Meriden Sports Park, approved by Directors and signed by Chair of Sports Park, Rosie Weaver and Company Secretary Barbara Bland, meeting the submission deadline to Companies House. Copies are available should Council or Members of the Public wish to view accounts.

IT WAS RESOLVED Members accepted and approved Meriden Sports Park Accounts for financial period 25 November 2013 to 31 March 2015.

6. Progress Reports

6.1 Village Hall Management Committee

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Nothing to report.

6.2 War Memorials

Cllr P Lee reported that arrangements are in place for road closure for Remembrance Sunday Service and he will be organising volunteer marshalls.

Action: Cllr P Lee

6.3 Meriden Pool

The Clerk advised that the Pool would feature in the 2016 development of environmental projects meeting the criteria for Bloom competitions. Discussions continue with A & A Recycling and the Manor Hotel for financial assistance.

Cllr P Lee commented that the bin is full to overflowing with windblown litter resting in the Pool.

Action: The Clerk will monitor and liaise with interested parties and SMBC officers and advised street cleaning regarding litter.

6.4 Allotments

The Chair advised there is full occupancy, the first time in some years, hat all allotments have been taken, including the commencement of Meriden Bloomers Community Project. There is continuing communication between the Parish Council and Taylor Wimpey regarding transfer of land which will be picked up in agenda item 10.4.

Action: The Clerk will continue to liaise with Meriden Bloomers and Allotment Association.

6.5 Footpaths/Forum

Nothing to report.

6.6 Quarries Liaison Group

Cllr Weaver advised that a meeting was held on 14th September with good attendance for all operators. A good relationship has developed. Tarmac and NRS undertake regular spot checks and traffic monitoring issuing 3 day bans to hauliers not adhering to routing agreements. There are rogue hauliers accessing Hampton Lane and Meriden Village that are not using Meriden Quarry and therefore are not breaching the designate route. Cllr Bell added that the liaison group is excellent and very worthwhile with a good relationship developed between operators and the Parish Clerk.

6.7 Solihull Area Committee

Cllr Weaver advised that Meriden hosted the SAC meeting in July with the Leader of the Council, Cllr Bob Sleigh and CEO, Nick Page, as invited guest speakers presenting on Solihull's proposal for a Combined Authority. John Crossling, SLCC's new regional

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secretary, gave an overview of shared joint services and benefits to Parish/Town Councils. The next meeting will be on the 15th October 2015. Cllr Weaver advised of the sad news of the sudden death of Cllr Chris Noble, Chair of Cheswick Green and her attendance on behalf of Meriden Parish Council at his recent funeral. Members requested the Clerk to send a letter of condolence to Cheswick Green.

Action: The Clerk will write a letter of condolence on behalf of Meriden Parish Council.

6.8 Tree Wardens & TPO List
Nothing to report.

6.9 Community Surgeries

The Clerk held a community surgeries in August and September, met with Bruce Brant on 12th August for a catch up and process of actions since July as follows:-

1. Millisons Wood, Birmingham Road, Trees covering street lighting and signs. Also upgrade bulbs to provide brighter quality lighting. No 49 new owners?
2. Alspath Road/Leymere Close
(Trees privately planted on boundary behind garage block responsibility? Highways land) (TPOs at No 4 Leymere Close, reduce height)
3. Leymere Close verge/pond maintenance.
4. The Croft/Digby Place – signs need moving or additional? Emergency services, ring & ride etc., still missing Digby Place. Annie Masters no action?
5. Walkway between Fillongley & Alspath – look at litter, fence, ASB (drinking/smoking pot), litter bin.
6. Maxstoke Lane – trees, signs, dog fouling/waste bin/additional footfall Gate.
7. Maxstoke Lane – street lamp still not working outside agricultural cottages no wiring?
8. Parking on verges – Kittermaster.
9. Service Road (enforcement on Monday, contractors moved and then came back when he had gone!)
10. Potholes Meriden Hill, Birmingham Road.
11. Footpath between Whichcote/Digby Place needs cutting back.
12. Reduce signs on lamp posts on Service Road.
13. Whichcote to Main Road – hedges overgrown and need cutting back.
14. Footpath from Church Lane to top of Hill overgrown.
15. Footpath from Showell Lane roundabout to Albert Road overgrown particularly top section. Hard to use for motorised scooters, pushchairs and wheelchairs. Also this is now more widely used by people using 900 bus and working at Meriden Business Park.
16. Improve street lighting by change bulbs to white light for added brightness?
17. Wall opposite side used to be visible now overgrown.

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- 18. Meriden Mile – trees shoots self-planted and growing with speed.
- 19. Meriden Pool – although on 3 month programme trees sprouting.
- 20. Rubbish behind Bulls Head

Additional Councillor concerns raised at Parish Council meetings July and ongoing:-

- 21. Berkswell Road between Heart of England Club & Pool – HGVs/Artic increased. Weight/width restrictions?
- 22. Potholes Berkswell Road.
- 23. Overgrown ditches Eaves Green Lane – Ed Bradford.
- 24. Dog fouling on Green and increase to pavements.
- 25. Co-Op – ongoing saga of delivery parking blocking service road visuals.

Action The Clerk is awaiting email response from relevant SMBC officers and follow up actions.

Mr Brant had been invited to this evenings meeting but sent his apologies with the following update that he wished to be recorded of his actions to date. Chair read the following:-

- 1. *Meriden Gate – The Neighbourhood Watch lead has been in contact with me and requested signage and parking enforcement measures. I have directly requested Paul Tovey to arrange the area be assessed for needs and advise of the outcome. However, one word of caution, this is a 'shared space' designed development and this does not lend itself to adding signage etc.*
- 2. *Trees Main Road/Meriden Hill – I attended a walkabout with Darren Parkin last Thursday and he outlined the work that will be done on identified trees along Meriden Hill which should improve the situation with Buses and larger vehicles.*
- 3. *Birmingham Rd Millisons Wood/Meriden Hill Footpath – I am trying to negotiate getting the footway trimmed back to assist scooter drivers and push chair users. I will let you know progress with this.*
- 4. *Leys Lane – I have agreed with Streetcare that the shrub bed with the Gabion wall that it will be tidied up. However, the opposite side (pond side) is still being investigated to ascertain who is responsible to maintain the shrub area and cut back foliage.*
- 5. *Digby Place – following some quite protracted discussion I now have the go ahead to get a Digby Place nos 1,2,3,4 street nameplate installed next to the entrance at the top of The Croft. This should assist with the ambulance issue.*

Please let me know if there are any further issues raised and I will endeavour to assist as always.

Action: The Clerk will liaise with Mr Brant to action all outstanding issues raised above.

6.9 Community Speed Watch

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Cllr P Lee advised the first speed watch had been undertaken. There was a steady flow of speeding cars recorded but once drivers were aware of it they were flashing warnings to oncoming traffic to slow down.

6.10 Meriden Sports Park (quarterly summary only)

Cllr Weaver advised that it had been a busy summer with tennis, cricket and successful sports camps averaging 20 children per day and different children throughout the week. Providing a facility enabling sports exercise is now paying off with multiple usage from teams, families and individuals. Currently there are three children's football teams under Meriden Rovers and two adult teams being St Johns Rangers and new team Burton Sils.

The charity issue continues to be a work in process with advice taken from solicitors and charities commission. It is proposed to move forward with the structure outlined previously (Meriden Sports & Recreation Trust) to manage the legacy fund. Meriden Parish Council will retain ownership of the sports park asset and a lease will be drawn up between the Parish Council and Sports Park for a peppercorn rent and percentage split of utilities and parish council office space. Once the structure is in place and approved by charities commission then the final proposal will be presented to Council for their approval.

Action: Cllr Weaver and the Clerk will continue working through the process with Trustees to finalise outcome with maximum benefit to all parties.

7. Clerk's Report

The Clerk had circulated actions prior to the meeting.

8. District and Ward Councillor Reports

Cllr Bell advised he would follow up the allotment situation with relevant officers and whilst he had previously mentioned this to SMBC he was unsure of actions thereafter.

Action: Cllr Bell to speak to allotments officer.

9. Correspondence & Communication

All correspondence had been circulated to Members electronically for their information. Additional information was share at the meeting as follows:-

1. Notice of SLCC AGM 16th October 2015.
2. Clerk's confirmation as delegate of first SLCC conference.
3. WALC AGM 4th November 2015; Cllr Weaver already attending as County Representative.
4. Conservation Advisory Committee regarding two applications for Touchwood 2 and Motorway Service Area at Catherin De Barnes to be held on 24th September 2015.

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9.1 Warwickshire Police & Crime Commissioner Survey
Cllr Weaver advised that she had completed the survey on Parish Council behalf meeting the deadline for submission of 25th September 2015.

10. Meriden Village Matters

10.1 Library Update

Nothing to report.

10.2 Village Commemoration WW1

The Chair advised that the evening WW1 talk with Doreen Agutter had been postponed due to ill health. The next event will be the commemorative football match on 17th October including Meriden Rovers U-11's v. Vision Academy kick off 1pm and Royal Corps of Signals v. Meriden Adult Team (TBA) kick off 2pm.

Cllr P Lee advised that the Royal Corps of Signals cricket team beat Meriden Spartans on 2nd August and presented their shield to Meriden Sports Park. A rematch is wanted and engagement with whole community including local residents along with cricket and football clubs.

10.3 Meriden Gate

- Resident Neighbourhood Watch

The Clerk advised that actions from last council meeting was to receive an update from Bromford Housing. Contact has now been made and some available meeting dates offered to meet with the council representatives regarding the situation which is proving sensitive and sits with a multi-agency team.

Additionally a review of the allocations policy incorporating properties on Leys Lane, Winspear Close and Meriden Gate. There is a willingness to work with the Parish Council and Solihull Community Housing for a robust proposal regarding the on-going lettings plan and criteria around new build and re-lets v. demand v. waiting lists.

Action: Cllr Weaver and the Clerk to meet with Sue Allen, Bromford Housing, on 5th October.

- Freehold Transfer

The Clerk advised nothing further to report as in process with Parish solicitors and SMBC Corporate Legal Team. Cllr P Lee wished to raise once again the situation of the promise of a wildflower meadow and the savage cutting down of the meadow earlier in the summer, urging a meeting with Mike Swallow, Solihull MBC.

Action The Clerk will liaise with SMBC and Wright Hassall.

10.4 Taylor Wimpey

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The Clerk advised that there remain issues surrounding the promise within the unilateral undertaking unresolved, namely secure storage, water supply and land that storage and car parking is on that sits outside of allotment holding to be transferred to Parish Council. Therefore the Clerk requested advice from Members that her actions to date are in keeping with their expectations, i.e. Parish solicitors are not to complete any transfer until issues outlined above are concluded. Cllr Weaver stated that any land sitting outside of allotment holding that is for the purpose of allotment holders may in the future become a problem with a management company having responsibility for said land i.e. applying to put notices up on land not belonging to the Parish. The Chair reiterated the Parish Council's view that the Clerk continue with her negotiations with Taylor Wimpey keeping members informed.

Action: The Clerk to continue communicating with Taylor Wimpey to resolve outstanding issues including a letter to Lawrence Osborne, SMBC planning.

10.5 Highways Update

The Clerk advised that some of the issues raised by Members regarding speeding traffic on Fillongley Road and call for additional signage had been raised with Highways officers at recent Quarry Liaison meeting. Chair read the following from Mr Davinder Chohan, Highways Engineer:-

"As requested, following our meeting this afternoon, I drove along Fillongley Road, Meriden.

Two permanent vehicle actuated signs are installed on Fillongley Road on both approaches to Meriden Church of England Primary School. I attach a copy of drawing no. 6895/1 showing the location of the permanent signs. In addition, a permanent vehicle actuated sign has been installed on Fillongley Road (southbound) after the A45 overbridge (please see attached drawing no. 7231 also attached for the precise location). As this part of the road is already covered by permanent vehicle actuated signs it would not be included in a mini-speed visor programme.

However, when I drove past the two vehicle actuated signs by the school, above the speed threshold which has been set, they did not activate. Therefore, they appear to have a fault. We are due to undertake the annual maintenance review of all vehicle actuated signs within the Borough within the next month. Following the completion of this exercise all faults on such signs, including those on Fillongley Road, will be reported to the manufacturer to rectify.

With regard, to the request for additional signing to prevent HGV's using a route I would be pleased to meet on site to initially determine whether such a measure is warranted. Therefore, please telephone me, on 0121 704 6432, to arrange a suitable time for a site visit during the week commencing Monday, 28 September. I am currently

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available on the afternoons of Wednesday, Thursday & Friday of that week. I look forward to hearing from you on this issue.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.”

Action: The Clerk to monitor work is carried out to enable fully operational and working signage on Fillongley Road. It was agreed that Lynn Parker, Quarries Resident Representative to meet with Mr Chohan and NRS for a site visit to determine suitability of signage at the approach to Coronation Island.

10.6 Land Registry & Ownership
Nothing to report.

10.7 Public Convenience Site Transfer
The Clerk advised that this matter was in process with Solihull MBC legal team and Wright Hassall for the purpose of providing a “side letter” to formalise the agreement and complete the matter.

Action: The Clerk will request an update from Wright Hassall.

10.8 Heart of England & Solihull Neighbourhoods in Bloom 2015
The Clerk advised that the first Bloomer’s meeting had taken place on 17th September to review actions, awards, recommendations and plan for 2016 including the setting up of **Meriden Bloomers Community Allotment and Gardening Club**. Letters will be written to sponsors, publicity in local papers and Meriden Mag of awards, together with a request for more volunteers to join the Bloomer’s group. Meriden residents and businesses had entered the competition independently and it was excellent that the following individual awards were given to Queens Head, Fen John, Winspear Close, Mr & Mrs Warr, Eaves Green Park Homes, Meriden Hall Park Homes along with Parish Council for whole village, all of whom had agreed to “get on board” with Bloomers for 2016.

Additionally the Clerk advised that the Bloomer’s group have been given £100 in vouchers for 2014 and 2015 Best Village category and have agreed they wish to donate two trees to the Parish (i) to commemorate WI centenary and (ii) to commemorate HM Queen Elizabeth longest reign.

Cllr P Lee requested a silver birch for HM Queen Elizabeth’s longest reign be planted in the Sports Park to replace the trees lost to ash dieback disease in 2014, as there is already a jubilee commemorative bench.

Action: The Clerk will continue working with Meriden Bloomers; email chair of WI to take advice as to where a suitable planting site would be and start looking at sponsorship for 2016.

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10.9 Litter

The Clerk reported that some recommendations from Bloom judging feedback was the need to keep on top of litter. She suggested contacting Mr Jones who organised a community litter pick earlier in the year supported by Jo Williams, SMBC community engagement officer, and district councillors. Also to ask Mr Jones if he would like to support Meriden Bloomers.

Action: The Clerk to contact Jo Williams from the SMBC Community Engagement Team and Mr Jones to arrange.

10.10 Co-Op Update

The Clerk advised that a letter had been sent and a meeting is arranged for 14th October with Sam Buxton, Regional Manager, Heart of England Co-Op and Depot Manager.

Action: Report at next meeting.

10.11 Parking – The Green

Cllr Weaver advised that his is a “bigger” piece of work and has been included in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Action: This item will be referred to the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group Task and Finish Group and removed from future standing items.

10.12 Pot Holes Berkswell Road

The Clerk advised that this issue has been raised with Neighbourhood Co-ordinator and currently awaits answer.

Action: The Clerk to chase Neighbourhood Co-ordinator for update.

10.13 Use of HGV/Articulated Vehicles Berkswell Road

The Clerk advised that this issue has been raised with Neighbourhood Co-ordinator and Highways officers for input and resolution. It has also been raised with Quarry Liaison Group. This will be included in the Neighbourhood Planning Task and Finish Group looking at the wider issues impacting on Meriden Parish highways and community.

Action: The Clerk to will request update and seek support from Berkswell PC.

10.14 Mobile Mast

The Clerk advised that Caroline Spelman MP has been in communication with the Manor Hotel and also some service providers including EE, Ericson and Vodafone. Each provider has requested a formal plan of site and proposal of need supported by

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the community and Parish Council. A meeting is to be arranged with General Manager and representatives to formalise plan and proposal moving forward.

Action: The Clerk to liaise with Manor Hotel General Manager and confirm Parish Council support to this proposal.

11. Solihull Partnership Forum

Cllr Bell stated that he had attend this meeting and it would appear that Meriden has not been included in attendance. The meeting provided an opportunity for faith based organisations to come together and discuss their concerns.

12. Planning Matters

12.1 Neighbourhood Planning Update

Cllr Weaver advised that after a summer recess the group met on 17th September. New volunteers have come forward and task and finish groups have been put together to start work as follows:-

- TF1 – Lead Melanie Lee
Conservation/History of Parish/Protection of Heritage
- TF2 – Lead Rosie Weaver/Sharon Andrews
School Engagement
- TF3 – Lead Lewis Edwards
Sociodemographic (statistical analysis of population)
- TF4 – Lead Chris & Candice Dean
Community including businesses/contractors/shops

The next meeting will be 22nd October at the Pavilion with more volunteers needed.

12.2 To receive update and status on Planning Applications

The Clerk advised that all recent planning applications have been circulated to Members for their comments. Concerns have been raised about latest planning application for Fordson Farm and we are await response from Sheron French case officer with update. Daw Mill planning application was raised at Quarries meeting and an invitation for Harworth Estate to present proposal has been extended. Harworth will also engage with Parish Council in the future. Cllr Bell is to ask planners what their view is regarding Meriden Quarry and increase in traffic linked to HS2 proposal for Daw Mill. Pertemps application for call centre has been approved and the second planning application for office extension is to be appealed through judicial process. All Councillor comments have been logged on planning portal.

Action: Clerk to monitor.

12.3 Proposed Development of Old Garage and Caravan Storage Site

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Nothing to report.

12.4 Unlawful Caravan Storage Site

Nothing to report.

12.5 Land for Burial

Nothing to report.

12.6 Solihull Green Paper Transport Consultation

Chair reported that Cllrs Kipling and Haque attended this briefing but neither were in attendance to provide update. An email has been circulated and the consultation is available for the public to respond to.

12.7 Planning Application Copse & Bridleway

The Clerk outlined the current situation regarding this land. There is a current planning application in for change of use from unused land to residential garden. The Parish Council has opposed this application due their work in progress to have the land transferred to them for protection of heritage. Unfortunately a precedent was set by planning in approving a planning application for a neighbouring property last year, and discussion with case officer is suggesting that this latest application will be approved too. Wright Hassall, Parish solicitors, have been instructed to look at this and have been liaising directly with planning officers.

The Clerk requests Council approval to submit a planning application the same as the Strawberry Field properties as the last two years of research with Packington Estate, Martineau Johnson, Estate management, SMBC legal and land officers and Land Registry have resulted in a situation where this site is being “land grabbed” by Strawberry Fields residents, since the site was removed from greenbelt policy as part of Solihull Local Plan 2013. Public notices need to be posted with significant cost implications to the Parish. The Clerk has prepared all paperwork and is ready to process on behalf of the Parish.

Cllr P Lee stated his disappointment in Solihull for allowing this to happen and the promise they made to the Parish Council that this land would be transferred as part of the sports park freehold transfer. Cllr Allsopp confirmed his frustration as he too was at a public meeting with Mike Swallow when this was agreed. He urged the Clerk to get a meeting arranged for herself, Cllr Allsopp, Cllr Bell and Cllr Weaver with Mike Swallow and other officers of SMBC to resolve this situation and conclude the matter.

Action: The Clerk to request a meeting with Mike Swallow and Cllrs Allsopp, Bell and Weaver.

Cllr P Lee raised the question of other land grabbing and wished a property in Letitia Avenue to be looked at as they appear to have extended their frontage to include public open space.

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Action: The Clerk to look at site plans and seek advice from Solihull planning officers.

13. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda

Any agenda items please email the Clerk for inclusion.

14. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 19th October 2015 at 19.30 at The Pavilion, Meriden Sports Park.

The meeting closed at 21.40.

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