

MEDBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3 February 2020 in Medbourne Village Hall, Main Street, Medbourne

Present : Cllrs Gidley-Wright, Pilkington, Easton, Shaen-Carter and

Also present : Parish Clerk (MF) plus 8 members of the public

ITEM. NO.	<u>AGENDA</u>	
557.0	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Cllr. Caffrey</p>	
558.0	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>Cllr Gidley-Wright declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 19/00832/FUL.</p>	
559.0	<p>REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION</p> <p>Cllr Gidley-Wright requested a dispensation to remain in the meeting whilst discussion was had on planning application 19/00832/FUL, but to abstain from taking part in that discussion.</p> <p>Cllrs agreed to this request - Cllr Pilkington took the Chair for the portion of the meeting that concerned discussion on this application.</p>	
560.0	<p>MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on 6 January 2020</p> <p>Previously circulated, and agreed with one amendment:</p> <p>Minute 545.2 was considered an incorrect record of the discussion at the meeting and should not refer to tree work meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed the minute should be replaced with :</p> <p>“...Use of the £500 donation will be decided in time....”</p>	MF
561.0	<p>PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS (This was Chaired by Cllr Pilkington)</p>	
561.1	<p>Residents at the meeting (and in correspondence) raised a series of objections to planning application 19/00832/FUL on the proposed Doogie Day Care facility.</p>	

562.0	CLERK & COUNCILLORS REPORTS	
562.1	Details for the 2020-21 Parish Precept had been submitted to HDC.	
562.2	Comments had been returned to HDC in relation to considerations requested under the Community Governance Review.	
562.3	It was agreed to accept the quotation received for £385) on proposed tree-work in the tow path area.	CllrP
562.4	The Chair signed the letter to be sent to NS&I to request their record of the PC's contact details to the current Parish Clerk. MF to send.	MF
563.0	TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:	
563.1	Village Hall One of the trees has now been removed. The new chairs and trollies arrived and are in use. Some remaining funds will be spent on new tables. The recent ceilidh was a good success, and a Wine Tasting event is to come. No specific grant application to the PC had yet been submitted.	
563.2	MEFT It was noted that a fundraising programme is being instigated to raise funds for the suggested swing-seat. A fund-raising function is likely to come in due course.	
563.3	Sports Club Comment was received from Mr Burrow on the recent extensive pooling of water from the car park area draining onto the pitch, which had remained unusable for 3 months. The club is proposing to create a new drainage channel from the rear hedge to the stream : this might have a cost of @£1600. Councillors suggested the club submit an application for some grant support from the PC through the established application format, and present this for consideration at the next PC meeting.	
563.4	Village broadband and website There were no details to report at the meeting.	
564.0	TO CONSIDER AND COMMENT ON PLANNING MATTERS	
564.1	<u>Applications submitted to HDC:</u>	
564.1.1	Revised scheme of 19/00832/FUL - Field Off Drayton Road, Medbourne (Change of use of land from agriculture to dog day care)	

	<p><u>Chair for this item: Cllr Pilkington</u> : draft comments had been circulated between Councillors in line with the PC's previous submitted objections to the original application. Opposition to the new application remained in terms of it being still too close to residential settings; it being outside of the Neighbourhood Plan boundary for new built developments; and Councillors having no confidence that the business proposal will be economically viable.</p> <p>It was agreed to submit strong objections to this application.</p>	MF
564.1.2	<p>Revised scheme of 19/00236/FUL - 7 Old Holt Road Medbourne (Erection of two storey front /single storey side and rear extensions)</p> <p>It was noted that there had been some revisions to the length of the proposed side elevation noted. It was agreed there are no objections to the application, but Councillors requested that the position of the proposed Utility Room door was confusing and should be clarified.</p>	MF
564.1.3	<p>Tree planting proposal at Dale Farm</p> <p>Councillors noted some uncertainty on this request for comment from the PC, as no formal application is known to date. MF was asked to request some clarification on the background to the request made to the PC.</p>	
564.2	<p><u>Other planning matters:</u></p>	
564.2.1	<p>Application 17/01894/FUL / Planning Appeal APP/F2415/W/32/10833 -Nevill Holt</p> <p>It was noted that the Planning Inspectorate has confirmed the appeal against refusal of timber posts on the verge-side has been allowed.</p>	
	<p>Cllr SC left the meeting at this point in the evening.</p>	
565.0	<p>TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:</p>	
565.1	<p>A request from R W Sochacki on the proposed tree planting at Dale Farm, Medbourne is noted above.</p>	
565.2	<p>It was noted that information had been issued on behalf of the District Authorities in the county signifying initial support to create a single combined authority.</p>	

566.0	2019-20 BUDGET AND APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS	
566.1	<p>The following payments were approved from the 2019-20 budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - M Field (salary, February): £153.78 - HDC (bins): £130.37 - HMRC (income tax / NI): £695.78 	MF
566.2	Bank reconciliation to January 2020 - details had been circulated and were noted.	
566.3	<p>Outturn figures to end-December 2019 - details had been circulated and were noted.</p> <p>@£8000 has been spent to date, including agreed expenditure at the January and February meetings. @£3000 remains to be committed from 2019-20 funds.</p> <p>It was agreed that further estimations for expenditure on benches and traffic reduction 'gateways' should be brought to the March meeting.</p>	All
567.0	AUDIT OF PC ACCOUNTS	
567.1	<p>Review of PC Assets.</p> <p>It was agreed to defer this item to the March meeting.</p>	
568.0	PC POLICY REVIEW	
568.1	<p>Information had already been circulated on the proposed reviews.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Financial Regulations : the revised policy was agreed. - Safeguarding Policy : the revised policy was agreed. 	

569.0	GRANT APPLICATIONS	
569.1	<p>A request had been submitted for £360.00 from Medbourne Educational Foundation towards annual insurance and safety inspections. This was agreed but evidence of payment and receipts will be requested.</p>	

569.2	A request had been submitted for £180.00 received from Medbourne Pre-school towards costs of the proposed Medbourne Play May Fare – This was agreed but evidence of payment and receipts will be requested.	
570.0	QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIR None had been submitted.	
571.0	ITEMS OF REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE None were raised.	
572.0	COUNCIL TRAINING AND RESOURCES No further training arranged at present.	
573.0	ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review of PC Assets - PC Policy Review (if required) - Contact with Anglia Water regarding the problematic sewer lid - Proposed path for dog walkers to Leviathan Wood 	
	DATE OF NEXT MEETING <i>2 March 2020</i>	