

May

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15th MAY 2013

PRESENT: Guy Allen, Sid Bishop, David Lomax, Gordon Wilson (Chairman), Liz Carmichael (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

1. APOLOGIES

Vince Jones, Andrew Bennett (Ward Councillor)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

David Lomax declared an interest in agenda item 11.2 as he's the Parish Council's representative on the Village Hall committee

It was agreed to move agenda item 5 to earlier in the meeting.

5. GUEST SPEAKER

5.1 The Parish Council welcomed guest speaker, Nerissa Vaughan, Chief Executive, Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. It was noted that several planning applications have been submitted for car parking. Nerissa Vaughan advised the meeting that there had been a noticeable increase in emergency work. Savernake Hospital, which is now owned by the Trust, is being used more. This and other locations are increasingly being used for out patients rather than the main hospital. Nerissa Vaughan advised the meeting that there is spare ward capacity and consequently there are no plans to expand the hospital. It was noted that lots of patients are coming from Calne and Chippenham. The good road links may explain this influx of patients. Case studies are in progress for the radiotherapy unit and something will happen within the next 2 years. The shortage of qualified nurses was discussed. Nerissa Vaughan advised the meeting that she is hoping to be able to stop using agency nurses as this is not only better for the hospital's finances but is beneficial to patient care. Nerissa Vaughan advised the meeting that Hilary Walker,

the Nurse Director at the Great Western Hospital, would be happy to come to a Parish Council meeting to discuss the training of nurses.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Paragraph 6.2 was amended to include the word 'granted'. Subject to this David Lomax and Sid Bishop proposed that the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10th April 2013 be approved. The minutes were signed as a true record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Actions completed

Send letter to Wanborough Football Club advising them of parking restrictions and requesting that they put temporary signs in place on match days
Action: clerk

Find out from Claire Cornelius if the closure of Dayhouse lane is a condition of the Secretary of State's decision and whether or not it can be removed or amended.

Action: GW

Put together a proposal for Dayhouse lane
Action: GW

Write to Suzanne Coles (Highways) about getting the speed limit sign replaced
Action: clerk

Copy emails about the speed limit sign that needs replacing to Andrew Bennett
Action: GW

Actions ongoing

Consider locations for trees
Action: All

Arrange Neighbourhood Watch handover from Jonathan Miller
Action: VJ

Arrange for speakers to attend a future meeting
Action: clerk

Gordon Wilson advised the meeting that there had been a meeting with UK Broadband where data speeds in Liddington were measured. UK Broadband has also made visits to other villages.

It was noted that Gordon Wilson has reviewed the Inspector's report and he can see no reason why it can't be amended. It also looks like Dayhouse lane doesn't have to be closed; it simply shouldn't be connected to the spine road. It was suggested that the Parish Council get feedback from the residents of Dayhouse lane, Badbury and Medbourne on what they would prefer to happen to the road.

It was proposed that the clerk obtains a price list for trees and also finds out the deadline for orders for the disease resistant elms.

Get price list for trees and find out deadline for ordering disease resistant elms

Action: clerk

6. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

6.1 Insurance -

The Parish Council resolved to sign a new three-year agreement with Aviva which will end on the 31st May 2016. This will replace the existing agreement. The Parish Council approved the payment of the renewal premium of £572.13.

6.2 Landscaping -

The Parish

Council discussed the proposal from the Wiltshire Probation Trust for the project to clear land beside the B4192 using Community Payback Scheme workers and agreed to accept it. It was noted that the charge would be £25 per session. It was agreed that the Parish Council will ensure that they are on hand for the first couple of days of working in case there are any issues or queries.

Confirm that Swindon Borough Council is going to pick up any waste

Action: GW

Mark out the area to be cleared by the Community Payback Scheme workers

Action: All

6.3 Jeffries Land Trust -

The Parish Council discussed the motion to dissolve the Jeffries Land Trust and agreed to support it.

6.4 Neighbourhood Plan -

The Parish Council discussed the proposal to join forces with other local Parish Councils to create a Neighbourhood Plan for the area. It was noted that creating a Neighbourhood Plan can be a very costly exercise. The Parish Council decided not to

make a commitment to the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan at this stage. Guy Allen, Gordon Wilson and Sid Bishop agreed to attend the initial meeting and obtain more information about what is being proposed and the benefits of having a plan.

6.5 Projects -

Due to time constraints the discussion on current projects and new ones for this year was deferred to another meeting.

6.6 Highways Matters -

It was noted that, following a road accident, one of the black bollards with reflectors and the Badbury sign need to be replaced. Speeding in Purley is a concern.

Arrange for someone from Swindon Borough Council to attend a meeting to discuss any additional traffic calming

measures

Action: clerk

SUSPENSION OF THE MEETING FOR PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The meeting was not suspended as no members of the public were present.

7. PLANNING

7.1 Planning Applications - There were no planning applications to consider.

7.2 Decisions - There were no planning decisions since the last meeting.

7.3 Parsonage Close -

The Parish Council discussed the proposal to develop land to the rear of Parsonage Close. It was agreed that the Parish

Council may benefit from having a discussion with Planning Officers and Highways before responding to the proposal.

8. FINANCE

8.1 Account Summary -

The Parish Council reviewed the account summary and queried the standing order to Wiltshire Building Records. It was agreed to defer the discussion on current account reserves to another meeting.

The Parish Council noted that a payment to Mark Reynolds had been made between meetings.

Check what the payment to Wiltshire Building Records is for

Action: clerk

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 *The following correspondence was discussed.*

Consultation on the impact of the Order to revoke the Regional Strategy for the South West on Swindon Borough Core Strategy 2026. To be consider at June meeting.

Consultation on the impact of the government's Household Interim Projections 2011 -2021 on Swindon Borough Core Strategy 2026. To be considered at June meeting.

Online survey for the consultation on the North Wessex Downs AONB draft Management Plan 2014 - 2019. It was agreed that Councillors would make their own comments.

9.2 *The Parish Council noted the following correspondence for information:*

Agenda for CPRE AGM, Marlborough Town Hall, 12.30pm on 25 June

Notification of CPRE Kennet District Group AGM, Marlborough Town Hall, 6.00pm on 25 June

Notification of CPRE Open Day, Marlborough Town Hall, 25 June

It was noted that the Parochial Church Council is considering whether there should be a celebration next year for the

100th anniversary of the start of World War 1. The Parish Council decided that a celebration to mark the end of the war was

more usual but it would go along with anything that is happening nationally.

10. *WARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT*

10.1 *Andrew Bennett was unable to attend the meeting.*

11. *COUNCILLORS' REPORTS*

11.1 *Playing Field - Sid Bishop advised the meeting that he had carried out safety inspections on the play equipment on 8th and 22nd April and that there were no issues to report.*

11.2 *Village Hall Committee - David Lomax advised the meeting that a quiz was being held on Saturday.*

11.3 *Neighbourhood Watch - Nothing to report.*

11.4 *Community Speedwatch - It was noted that only 3 volunteers have given information for the vetting forms. These need to be completed prior to next week's training course.*

11.5 *Jeffries Land Trust - Nothing to report.*

12 PARISH MAGAZINE

There was no report for the Lyden magazine as the deadline for copy was the 14th May.

13 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

To review Parish Plan actions

The meeting concluded at 9.35pm