

# **CURBRIDGE AND LEW PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall, Curbridge, Monday 13 July 2015, 6.00pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Glenn Gannon (Chair), John Courtney, Patrick Foley, Sue Richman, Mark Wilson, Tony Wilson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** D. Cllr. Ben Woodruff, Nigel Parker - Clerk & RFO.

### **39. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

C. Cllr. James Mills

### **40. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

None.

### **41. MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2015, which had previously been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **42. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Glebe Cottage planning approval - the Clerk had been in touch with WODC about any monies being available to the Parish from this Development. They had replied, "Given the recent changes in Government policy in respect of financial contributions from developers to affordable housing and other infrastructure, the Council were unable to secure any funding for such matters from the application in respect of Land North of Glebe Cottage, Lew Road. I will however pass your E-Mail on to OCC Highways to make them aware of your concerns about road safety."

RAF Brize Norton Liaison - Cllr. M Wilson had been unable to attend the meeting on 15 June.

### **43. LAND ALONGSIDE A4095**

RESOLVED: to close the meeting for this item. Mr Steve Ford then addressed the Council and told them about his plans for building houses on the first field along the A4095, direction Lew from Main Road.

RESOLVED: to re-open the meeting.

### **44. NORTH CURBRIDGE/DOWNS ROAD DEVELOPMENT**

The Clerk had been in contact with WODC Planning and OCC Legal, the upshot of which was that no money was available for traffic calming in Curbridge.

Cllr. Gannon had been in contact with Barton Willmore, the Developers, about flood alleviation, traffic flows and developer funding. Again, the results were unsatisfactory.

D. Cllr. Woodruff said that he would speak to Mr Phil Shaw at WODC Planning about these matters.

The Council felt that, even though the Development was not strictly within the Parish, it would have considerable impact on Curbridge, and that the Council had not been sufficiently consulted. It was agreed that, in future, the Council should try to act faster and with more intent.

#### **45. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

D. Cllr. Woodruff spoke about "20/20 Vision", a scheme for District Councils working closer together in order to save money.

#### **46. FINANCE**

The Clerk reported the bank balance at 1 July to be £8,035.03.

RESOLVED: that the following accounts should be paid: Clerk (July) £175.63; Cleaning (July) £63.58; WODC various services £381.82; CPRE annual sub £36.00; HMRC PAYE Q1 £69.27; T Richman playground repair and repaint £450.00; Thames Water Village Hall £19.59.

#### **47. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

15/01956/HHD & 15/01957/LBC Thatched Cottage, Lew - removal of thatch and replacement with tiles plus erection of new porch.

RESOLVED: no objections.

15/01968/OUT land adjacent Burford Road and Downs Road - 51 new dwellings.

RESOLVED: no objections but that the Clerk should contact Planning about possible developer funding.

#### **48. VILLAGE HALL**

Cllr. Gannon reported that the Electrical Inspection had taken just been undertaken.

Agreed to hold the initial meeting about future plans for the Village Hall after the Council meeting on 10 August.

#### **49. THAMES VALLEY POLICE REPORT**

Not received this month.

#### **50. WELL LANE PLAY AREA AND PLAYING FIELD**

The Council's Inspection for June was signed off by the Chair. He thanked those who had turned out to spread the cushionfall.

**51. SUNDRY NOTICES**

Hailey Parish Council - the Clerk reported that he had received a letter from this Council informing him that they were going to create a Neighbourhood Plan and asking if Curbridge PC would like to include any part of 'its' land in the Plan.  
RESOLVED: the Clerk should reply that we would not like to be included.

**Cllr. Glenn Gannon, Chair of the Council**  
Signed 10 August 2015