

MINUTES OF MAWDESLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 10th November 2004 at Mawdesley Village Hall at 7.30pm.

1 Present

Vice Chairman Graham Green, Councillors James Halsall, Ian Paterson, Frank Culshaw, Pauline Collins, Barbara Nichols Acting Clerk, and 17 members of the public.

2 Apologies

Cllr David Rawcliffe and Cllr Jill Cavan

3 Minutes of the last Meeting

The minutes of the held on 13th October 2004, after 4 amendments – three to planning applications and one change of date of meeting, were proposed and accepted as a true record.

4 Matters arising therefrom

Damson tree – being resolved but further growth is appearing .

Grass cutting - to be on next agenda.

Bus Shelter – awaiting further information relating to Funds for Rural Bus Shelters which will also cover maintenance.

Awaiting quotes for War Memorial.

Worrisome dogs at Monks Farm – Clerk contacted footpaths agency and Monks Farm.

At this point Open Forum was called to allow residents to discuss the flooding situation. CCTV footage and reports have been received and the blockage appears to be under parish land and residents property in The Willows, Brookfield and New Street. The stream beyond the houses was also discussed. – broken pipes and overhanging branches. Grid wanted on front of culvert. The residents feel the responsibility should be Parish Council's . Further investigation wanted by an outside contractor or direct works.

Insurance cover was also raised and this will be looked into by the Parish Council. A residents meeting was requested with a representative of the Parish Council and this will take place within the next week.

Cllr Graham Green reported on the CCTV footage and discussion with Cllr Alan Whittaker. The camera only viewed the first 14 metres due to the blockage. The pipe was originally fitted incorrectly. The original Planning Application has been requested. LCC have already spent £15000 plus trying to resolve problem and no more funding is available.

1 Full examination and survey to be implemented

2 Full consultation, scope of works together with quotes to be obtained.

Agreement was reached to pay out of reserves. It was agreed that Cllr Graham Green contact N Booth Group.

Proposed by Cllr Collins and seconded by Cllr Halsall.

5 Parish Plan – reports from sub-meetings

Road safety and Traffic. Cllr Pauline Collins reported that the LCC Directorate is making a case to go forward for inspection on the 20mph limit for side-roads. A question has been raised in the House by MP Lindsay Hoyle on the 20pmh request for New Street, and this has been passed to other Ministers.

Extension of existing speed limits – Government guideline are due in November.

£800 grant is available if we can pursue schemes for Community safety ie Hiviz jackets.

School Travel Plan – details have been passed to the Schools as they have to advance this with co-operation of children and parents.

Building and planning meeting took place last week. Consultation on the division of the Local Plan Review. Most relevant sections have been discussed so far and comments have been returned to the Borough Council.

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D Rawcliffe Chairman

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Environment meeting took place on the 13th September . Discussions are taking place on the tree survey for Mawdesley. Funding is being looked into for an up to date Footpath Map. Next meeting in the New Year.

Village Services – With the absence of Cllr Jill Cavan this will be discussed at the next meeting.

Policing – Police surgeries with PC Martyn Smith have commenced and are being well received. He has visited local organisations such as the WI and MU.

Business – no meeting arranged as yet.

6 **Traffic Speeding** - already discussed.

7 **Web-site Logo** prepared by Cllr Pauline Collins. Approved by meeting and passed to the Parish Clerk.

8 **Policing Report** – Already covered.

9 **Christmas Tree.** Cllr James Halsall proposed and Cllr Pauline Collins seconded and all agreed Cllr David Rawcliffe will arrange purchase of the Parish Christmas Tree.

10 **Correspondence.**

Was read out and distributed. Letter from LCC agreeing to 3 additional lights on Hall Lane near to the War Memorial. Letter from Lancashire Highways Partnership agreeing to inspect and patch the pothole in Bluestone Lane.

11 **Open Forum.**

Resident of Hurst Green reported uneven pavement opposite School. Cllr Graham Green to inspect site with Engineer.

Gorse Lane resident reported on unsatisfactory dealing with BC over Application to use sheds at rear of houses for Business Purchases. Cllr Frank Culshaw explained this was not a Planning Application but an Application for Cert. Of Lawfulness for Class B1 Business Use. The resident was recommended to contact Wendy Fox and then proceed legally. Parish Clerk to write letter in support of resident.

Cllr Ian Paterson stated that in the intervening years the circumstances of the Village have changed and that the residents of Gorse Lane should be fully supported in their actions.

Bluestone Lane resident has reported the lights in Dark Lane not working on several occasions. He wishes to contact the appropriate department himself and our Parish Clerk will also write stating that the fault has previously been reported.

12 **Planning Applications**

Ref No	Address	Proposal	Comments
04/1133/CLEUD	21 Gorse Lane	Application for Cert of Lawfulness for the use of land and buildings to the rear for the purposes Of Class B1 Business Use Class	Objection. Inappropriate to grant the Cert. of Lawfulness.
04/01136/FUL	3 Coronation Villas Bluestone Lane	2 storey side extension	No objection
04/01161/FUL	Willow View Bradshaw Lane	2 storey side extension and conserv.to rear	No objection
04/01198/FUL	Tootles Farm Bentley Lane	Erection of Agricultural Storage Building	No objection.

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A.O.B.

All items for the next Newsletter to be e-mailed to Cllr Pauline Collins prior to 1/12/04.

Cllr Collins reported an un-covered drain by 4 Coronation Villas.

Cllr Ian Paterson suggested to achieve better communication between residents and the Parish Council it was suggested the Parish Clerk prepares accurate Parish Council Minutes within one week of meetings and e-mails to Councillors – also entering the Minutes on the Village web-site, village notice boards and the Post Office.

Cllr Graham Green requested the Parish Clerk send a letter to relevant authority requesting an electronic Bus Stop in the Village.

Cllr Green also reported on the undergrounding of electric cables in Gorsey Lane. The costing has been completed and the work should be completed this financial year.

Cllr James Halsall reported on the renewing of the water pumping station near to the Robin Hood in Bluestone Lane which will be ongoing for several weeks.

Cllr Green confirmed that at the present time it is the responsibility of the Parish Council to maintain the footpath from the Playarea to Hurst Green. The Adoption Team will take over when in good condition.

One estimate received for £819 to bring up to standard for safety and legal reasons. Tim Carr to be contacted for further quote.

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ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

CH NUMBER	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
645	Bert Hughes	Caretaking	232.09
646	C Brodie	Clerk	130.09
647	B Nichols	Acting Clerk	30.00

The Chairman closed the meeting 9.45pm.

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