

MAWDESLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on 11th July 2007
at Mawdesley Village Hall

	Present Chairwoman Pauline Collins, Vice Chairman Martyn Dale, Cllrs Ian Paterson, Maggie Bell, James Halsall, Grahame Green, Clerk – Gurby Woods, Press – Gemma Jaleel, Planning Dept – Mark Moore, 100 members of the public
1.	Apologies were received from Cllr Keith Iddon
2.	No declaration of interest were made
3.	Minutes of Meeting held on 9 th May 2007 were accepted as a true record
4.	<p><u>Open Forum (Adjournment to allow public participation).</u></p> <p>There was strong opposition against the proposal to site three wind turbines at Mawdesley Moss. Mr Jennison, Campaign for the Protection of Rural England and Mawdesley against Wind Farms, put forwards arguments against the proposal. Alan Porter spoke about the affect the wind turbines would have on wildfowl.</p> <p>Mark Moore, Chorley Borough Council Planning Officer explained the planning process in a great detail and answered questions raised by the public. He also explained the earliest date the wind turbine application would go before committee would be 14 August.</p> <p>Rod Collins – The skateboard park is now open. The official opening will take place on Saturday 21 July between 2pm and 4pm. All welcome.</p> <p>Alan Porter – There is a hole in the road on Hall Lane going towards Dark Lane in the dip. (Clerk to write to the Highways Dept.</p> <p>Ruth Armitage, Hurst Green – Would like fencing put in some parts of Hurst Green as agreed several years ago.</p> <p>Cllr Ian Paterson – Suggested that the residents discuss the matter with Steve Lomas from Chorley Community Housing when he visited Hurst Green next week.</p>
5.	<p><u>Clerk's Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oak Tree, The Willows –Tree preservation cannot be placed on it as it is not in any danger. Owners have been established as Lancashire County Council. Tree has been pruned. • Dark Lane, Hall Lane – Agreed work will be carried out in the autumn. • David Rawcliffe tree has been planted on Meadow Lane/ Daub Lane junction. • Frank Culshaw seat – the Council have agreed a site but it is in the wrong location. We are trying to rectify the problem. • Jill Cavan happy with siting of her tree • Hurst Green Sheltered Housing – Dealing with problems raised by residents, letter sent to housing association. • SPID – Waiting for response from Highways Dept regarding the siting of the plates and from the police regarding the moving of the plates. • Parish Newsletter- Articles are required by of 24 August for September newsletter.
6.	<p><u>Parish Plan working party reports</u></p> <p>Road & Traffic Nothing to report. Have written to the Highways Dept and the Police regarding the location of the SPID plates, etc but to date have had no reply. Will need to take it higher.</p> <p>Building & Planning Ian Clayton, Building and Planning Party – The tram have worked very hard. The first draft is almost complete. Document will be ready for discussion at the end of the month Cllr Ian Paterson – Parish Council will try to agree the proposal by the end of July.</p> <p>Environment Tree warden training. Two courses have been arranged for 6 September and 18 September at Myerscough College. For further details contact Carol Dale on 01704 822052.</p> <p>Village Services Welcome pack almost ready for printing.</p> <p>Policing Mawdesley still has the lowest crime rate in Lancashire.</p> <p>Business Nothing to report</p> <p>Youth Skateboard park now open. Children very well behaved.</p>

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7.	<u>Culvert</u> Cllr Grahame Green to liaise with the Mawdesley Flood Action Group. Will obtain two quotes for the clear up of the Culvert.			
8.	<u>Caretaker Mileage Expenses</u> It was resolved the caretaker would receive 40pence per mile for the use of her car whilst carrying out Parish duties.			
9.	<u>Tennis Club</u> It was decided no funding could be allocated to the tennis club this financial year, as it was not accounted for in the precept. May be reconsidered if re-submitted in November for the 2008/09 precept. Clerk to write to the tennis club.			
10.	<u>Hurst Green Play Area</u> It was resolved to accept the quote from Sycamore Landscapes for the planting of the Laurels at a cost of £455.31			
11.	<u>Brookfield Grassed Area</u> It was resolved to have the Brookfield Grassed Area have a one off clean up at a cost of £65.00. Clerk to obtain a quote from G.Hickman and Sycamore Landscapes for netting and gravelling of area for a permanent tidy up off the area.			
12.	<u>Best Kept Village Update</u> The Parish Council did the annual Parish Inspection in June. There were several areas which required attention. The Parish Council has written to the relevant bodies to get the work carried out. The Parish Council would like to thank Neil Thompson for all the work he has carried out, He has been exception in his pursuit of tidying the village. Clerk to send a letter of thanks.			
13a	<u>Planning applications</u> -			
	07/0369/FUL	54a Gorsey Lane	Erection of replacement garage with pitched roof over	No objection
	07/00512/FUL	Debryn, Ridley Lane	Raising roof to accommodate three front dormers and one rear dormer. Two storey rear extension and front porch	No comment
	07/00537/FUL	Harrock View, Bentley Lane	Proposed front porch	Planning Permission already granted
	07/00644/FUL	Land to the east of Blacksmith Barn, Hall Lane	Erection of one pair of semi detached affordable houses	No objection as CBC low cost agreement adhered to. The properties are kept low cost and available to people from Mawdesley or with ties to the village.
	07/00213/FUL	28 Brookfield	Conversion of garage to living accommodation and first floor side extension	No comment
	07/00568/FULMAJ	Cliffs Farm, Wood Lane	Erection of 3 No. wind turbines	Objection, separate letter to be sent
	07/00681/FUL	8 Brookfield	Erection of single storey rear extension and formation of pitched roof over existing flat roof dormer to front	No comment
	07/00681/FUL	Woodlands, Bentley Lane	Raising roof height to create first floor accommodation, demolition of existing single storey rear extension and erection of two storey side extension	No comment
	07/00683/FUL	Tootles Farm, Bentley Lane	Proposed erection of two storey agricultural buildings	No comment

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b.	<u>Notification of Planning decisions</u> The clerk read out details of planning decisions both granted and refused.			
22.	<u>Items for future consideration (for information only)</u> Nothing to report			
23.	Accounts for payment			
	000054	G.Hickman	Grasscutting	£255.00
	000055	John Bigland	Internal Audit	£95.00
	000056	LAPTC	Purchase of a Practitioners Guide	£11.99
	000057	J Eaves	Flowers for baskets	£38.50
	000058	John Bean, Building & Planting Committee	Computer Programmes	£237.89
	000059	G. Woods	Stationery & Sundries	£16.28
	000060	G.Woods	Clerk July Salary	£220.73
	000066	Inland Revenue	PAYE July	£62.25
	000067	J. Woodhouse	Caretaker June Salary	£214.60

Meeting closed 10.30pm

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