

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 29th March 2017 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office, Great Linford House, and 1 St Leger Court, MK14 5HA.

Present: Councillors; Bedford, Burgess, Butler, Crooks, El-Zamek, Foskett, Hyacinthe, Lawar, Macaulay, Maclean, Neate, Omole, Panes (Chair), Stabler, & Widdowson

Also, Present: Parish Manager and 3 members of public

1. **Apologies** were received and accepted from Cllr Calverley (holiday) and Cllr Martignetti (personal)
2. **Declaration of members' interests** – none
3. **Minutes of the previous meetings** – It was proposed by Cllr Bedford and seconded by Cllr Lawar that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th March were a true reflection. This was agreed by all.
4. **Matters arising** – none raised
5. **Public Questions time** – presentations were given from representatives from two of the organisations who had applied for a grant.

6. Finance

- 6.1. Monthly Payments and Finance report – Cllr Bedford noted a small discrepancy in an invoice and cheque amount – this would be confirmed on the 30th March with the office team. With this action, it was agreed by Cllr Widdowson that the payments for the month of March and the financial report, which had updated information relating to the investment information should be agreed. Cllr Bedford seconded this proposal and it was agreed by all.
- 6.2. Grant applications were provided from three community groups. After a presentation from members of the Lionhearts club and the Excalibur Explorer scouts, the chair asked council for a show of hands to determine the support of all the applications. The majority were in favour of awarding monies to all groups.

Due to the budgetary constraints Cllr Stabler had proposed that grants were awarded as follows; Feedmk £383, Lionhearts £250 and Scouts £400.

An amendment was proposed by Cllr Foskett; this stated that provided the financial accounts were sent from the Scouts and provide they were satisfactory then grants should be awarded as follows, Feedmk application for £400 and the Lionhearts for £250 should be agreed and paid immediately. The Scouts should be awarded £383 and the difference £617 awarded in the next financial year. This amendment was seconded by Cllr Widdowson and agreed by all.

In summary

- 6.2.1. Feedmk – no representation grant awarded for £400, towards the provision of a community event at Easter.
 - 6.2.2. Lionhearts Cruising Club – representation made grant awarded for £250 towards a free matinee performance of the 'Idle Women of the Wartime Waterways' and free afternoon tea.
 - 6.2.3. Excalibur Explorer Scout Unit – representation made award made for £383, with an additional grant awarded in 17/18 for £617, to assist with the purchase of equipment to help with the completion of Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Silver and Gold Expeditions
- 6.3. Telecoms Mast – a proposal from a telecoms company has been put forward for the erection of a mast within the Marsh Drive Car Park.

The Chair asked Cllr Stabler to outline the history of this proposal and then for Cllrs to identify any questions or concerns that they had with this application. The PM was asked to note these questions and concerns.

The Chair asked council to consider Cllr Stabler's proposal to confirm the previous, in-principle decision, with the caveat that the request for more information and detail about the mast and Heads of Terms should be pursued. When negotiations have concluded, the findings should be brought back to council for consideration. This was seconded by Cllr Widdowson and voted as: 13 for, 1 against and 1 abstention.

7. Governance

- 7.1. Editor/journalist – it was proposed by Cllr Stabler and seconded by Cllr Macaulay that Ms A. Pemberton be engaged for the next edition of the North by North East magazine. The contract specifications and costs are as previously agreed and previously budgeted. This was agreed by all.
- 7.2. Resignation – Cllrs accepted the resignation of Michael Dean from the Downhead Park and Willen North ward.
- 7.3. Cllr Vacancies – Cllr Panes proposed that once the notice of vacancy had been published and provided there are no election requests then the interviews for co-option should be instigated. This was seconded by Cllr Neate. Volunteers to assist with the co-option interviews were agreed as Cllrs; Foskett, Burgess Widdowson and Bedford.

8. Planning

8.1. Report of Planning progress

- 8.1.1. Report to DCC on Linford Lakes Development 16/02270/outies It was suggested by Cllr Widdowson that the application contravened all the elements listed in plan:mk. The report, as provided by Cllr Stabler, was accepted by Council and it was proposed by Cllr Widdowson that Cllr Stabler should attend the DCC meeting to put forward the concerns of GLPC, this was seconded by Cllr Bedford and all agreed (with the exclusion of Cllr Crooks).

Cllr Crooks as previously noted had declared an interest relating to this topic and therefore took no part in the discussions or vote.

8.2. Memorandum to councillors

8.2.1. 17/00650/FUL 44 Summerhayes Great Linford **No Comment**
was proposed by Cllr Stabler, but an advisory note that the neighbouring property owner should be notified and a party wall legal agreement should be required. This was seconded by Cllr Burgess and agreed by all.

8.2.2. 17/00667/FUL 7 Telford Way Blakelands **No Comment**
was proposed by Cllr Stabler and seconded by Cllr Widdowson this was voted as 14 for, 1 against and 0 abstentions.

9. Correspondence and communication (for information and interest)

9.1. Plan:mk – notification that the information relating to this topic has already been circulated and all are encouraged to read before the session and raise any questions directly to Cllr Crooks.

9.2. The little bookshop – an email from the Peartree Pond Association was circulated. The information outlined the steps that the Association is pursuing to secure tenancy of the shop, it outlined the groups it would be working with and the current assistance of the local centre landlord.

10. Projects

10.1. Marsh Drive – a verbal update on the progress being made and next steps

10.2. Ranger update – the PM update Cllrs on the advert for the position of ranger and the response to date. The interview is on the 21st April. The equipment and contracting out of this service is being documented and reviewed with Cllrs Neate and Widdowson.

11. The dates and the topics for the next three months' meetings in 2017 were reviewed and confirmed except for the last April meeting

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| 11.1. | Monday 10 th April | Full Council Meeting – plan:mk | Confirmed |
| 11.2. | Wednesday 26 th April | Full Council meeting | Not confirmed |
| 11.3. | Monday 8 th May | Annual Parish Meeting | Confirmed |
| 11.4. | Wednesday 31 st | Annual Meeting of the parish council | Confirmed |
| 11.5. | Monday 12 th June | Full Council Meeting Devolved Services | Confirmed |
| 11.6. | Wednesday 28 th June | Full Council Meeting | Confirmed |

12. Confidential item - there were no confidential items that required discussing.

The meeting was closed 20:59

Chair KBaines Date 10th April 2017

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