

Granborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Granborough Parish Council

Held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 8th September 2015

Attendees: Cllr Wright (Chair), Cllr Greenfield, Cllr Smedley, Cllr Wattam (item 84 onwards)

Clerk Tors Firth, District Cllr Hewson and 0 members of the public.

80. Apologies; Council accepted apologies from Cllr Bunyan due to a family commitment and Cllr Goulding due to a work commitment. Absent: County Councillor John Chilver.

81. Open Forum for Parishioners; No items were raised by members of the public.

82. Interests: No declarations of interest were made.

83. Councillor Co-option;

- a. **Resolved:** To exclude public and press for item 83b only, due to the confidential nature of the discussions regarding the suitability of the candidate.
- b. The Councillors discussed co-opting the candidate.
- c. **Resolved:** To co-opt Chris Wattam to the Council.
- d. **Confirmed:** Cllr Wattam signed the declaration of office and joined the meeting.

84. Minutes; Resolved: to accept the Minutes of the meeting held on 21st July as a true record.

85. Finance

- a. **Resolved:** To accept the accounts for July and August 2015
- b. The following cheques were raised;
 - 674 £54.00 to Stretton Services for web hosting, VAT included at £9.00
 - 675 £70.00 to Lynch Garden Services for grass cutting, no VAT included
 - 676 £25.00 to P.R.A. Randles for general maintenance, no VAT included
 - 677 £***.00 to Mrs Victoria Firth for Clerking expenses July, no VAT included
 - 678 £***.00 to Mrs Victoria Firth for Clerking expenses August, no VAT included**Ratified:** Standing order £****.00 Clerk Pay for July & August 2015
- c. **Resolved:** All Councillors signed the application for Unity Bank.

86. Planning

- a. **Resolved;** To record a response of "Neutral" to application 15/02814/COUAR at Lathwells Farm for determining a need for permission to convert three agricultural buildings to dwellings. The Council felt that the need for permission was determined by law, not opinion. Help was sought from the planning department but no response was received. Concern was expressed about suitability of access to the dwellings which would appear to

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be on a track off Green End. The Council felt unable to comment further without detail of the scope and size of the proposed dwellings.

- b. **Resolved;** To record a response of No Objections to application 15/02931/APP, the revised application for a new dwelling at 4a Marston Road.

- c. **Confirmed;** The following update was obtained from AVDC:

Application 15/00566/APP Day Room at Mayfields – Approved

Application 15/01149/APP 1st floor extension at 19 Green End – Householder Approved

Application 15/01464/APP balcony at 21 Winslow Rd – Householder Approved

Application 15/01296/ALB windows at 9 Church Lane – Refused

Application 15/00978/ALB tiles at 19 Winslow Road – Listed Building Consent

Application 15/01686/AGN Barn at Ley Farm – Planning Permission Required

Application 15/01723/APP Fence & Biomass at Mayfields – Approved

Application 15/02051/APP extensions at 12 Park Road – Pending Consideration

87. Highways, Footpaths & Footways, Street Lighting & Street Furniture

- a. Issue 130: Large crack in the pavement on Winslow Road, outside houses 52-54. To be reported to TfB.

- b. The following update was delivered;

Issue 110: Salt Bin for Hogshaw Road; still awaiting delivery (ordered December '14)

Issue 112: HGV signs for Green End; redelivered but awaiting scheduling

Issue 115: Repair verge on Hogshaw Road; on hold long term as not a priority

Issue 121: Kerb Repairs on Winslow Road; awaiting scheduling

Issue 124: Rats due to abandoned cars on Park Rd; both cars moved *incident closed*

Issue 126: Streetlights Green End; light 9 requires a service; awaiting engineer.

Issue 128: Waterlogged Verge; reported to Anglian Water; *incident closed*

Issue 129: Bus Shelter Guttering; Repaired by Roy Randles; *incident closed*

88. Recreation Ground;

- a. **Confirmed:** The parts required to fix the toddler swing have been ordered, awaiting delivery. Cllr Bunyan will re-fit the swing.

- b. **Resolved:** Inspection Reports indicate that maintenance is required as follows;
Lynch Garden Services to be asked to cut back the brambles on the lower fence

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Roy Randles will be asked to look at the hand rail on the Burma Bridge

Wicksteed to be contacted regarding the rubber seat on the see-saw

The Council have agreed a budget of £100 for the Clerk in consultation with the Chairman, to address the issue of the rotting posts on the swing before the next meeting.

- c. **Resolved:** The new rota has been circulated and agreed, nm8 reminder messages sent.

89. **Website;** No further discussion required at this time.

90. **Defibrillator;**

- a. **Confirmed:** Cllr Greenfield has investigated installation and updated the meeting.

Welmedical will fit the Defibrillator for £150 + VAT.

Resolved: To accept the quote from Welmedical for installation, place the order and arrange training.

91. **Neighbourhood Plans**

- a. The Council discussed the need for a neighbourhood plan to protect the village from development in light of the lack of an Aylesbury Vale Plan and the confirmed number of new houses the area must take. This was weighed against the high costs, large amount of work required and the current effectiveness of Neighbourhood Plans in the area.
- b. **Resolved:** The Council are conscious that AVDC will publish a Consultation Options plan in October. A decision regarding a working party to make a recommendation on a village Neighbourhood Plan, is therefore deferred to the meeting on 20th October.

92. **Ultra Fast Broadband;**

- a. **Confirmed:** The Council received a response from AVDC regarding their concerns.
- b. **Resolved:** To continue to track progress.

93. **Business Carried Forward from Annual Meeting;**

- a. **Resolved:** To accept the amendments to the Policies Document.
- b. **Resolved:** To appoint the following representative to outside bodies and working parties;
- Local Area Forum: Cllr Wright, other Cllrs invited to attend also
- NBPPC: To be confirmed
- Local Council's Planning Liaison Group: To be confirmed
- Village Hall: Cllr Bunyan
- To appoint the following members to working parties;

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Devolution: Cllr Smedley will attend the initial meeting, further members to be confirmed

Village Plan Update: Cllr Goulding and Cllr Greenfield.

Neighbourhood Plan: To be decided at the October meeting.

94. Post and Consultations;

Resolved: Cllr Smedley will attend the Devolution meeting on 18th September.

Confirmed: Economic Development Strategy Priorities Consultation – no response at this time.

Confirmed: Aylesbury Magistrates Court Closure Consultation – no response at this time.

Resolved: Agreed to donate £20 to AVALC for 2015/16

95. District and County Council Updates;

District Cllr Kevin Hewson provided an update regarding the Unitary Council submission; AVDC did not send in a proposal due to the lack of interest from other parties. Feedback was also requested on the new AVDC website.

96. To confirm the date of the next meeting; 20th October 2015

The meeting closed at 21:30

Signed:_____

Date:_____