

Hanslope Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on Monday 14th May 2012 at 7.30 pm

Councillors attending; Mr Reynolds (Chairman), Mr Cook, Mr Geary, Mrs Green,
Mrs Hayward, Mr Lancaster, Mrs Mobley, Mr Palmer

Clerk; Mr McDonald

Item 1 Apologies;

Mrs Hetherington

Item 2 Declarations of interest's statement;

- a. Noted that Mr Cook, Mr Geary, Mrs Green, Mrs Hayward and Mr McDonald are all members of the Sub Committee with regard to the possible new community and sports building
- b. Mrs green declared an interest in planning application 12/00848/ful

Item 3 Election of Chairman

The Council unanimously resolved; "To elect Mr Reynolds as Chairman"

Item 4 Election of Vice Chairman

The Council unanimously resolved; "To elect Mr Lancaster as Vice Chairman"

Item 5 Appointment to Sub Committees

The Council resolved; "That Sub-Committee appointments will be as per the list attached to these minutes"

Item 6 Acceptance of the Minutes of the April 2012 meeting

The Council resolved; "To accept the minutes as a true record of the April 2012 meeting"

Item 7 Matters arising not covered by agenda items

None

Item 8 New Building; Jacalyn Evans/Parkwood Holdings

Discussion took place regarding possible funding for the proposed new building. Jacalyn Evans explained that the Current Scheme is unrealistic at the moment

Item 9 Finance

- a. The account for the month was examined and the Council resolved; "To approve and sign cheques to the value of £5,384.85 to cover outstanding bills and commitments"
- b. The Council resolved; "To appoint the Clerk as the Responsible Financial Officer for 2012-2013"
- c. The Council resolved; To accept the Financial controls and regulations for 2012-2013 subject to an amendment in financial regulations with regard to PAYE and NI contributions"
- d. The Council resolved; "To set the Clerk's salary at £7,155 for 2012-2013 based on 55 hours a month on the NALC/SLCC pay band SCP24"
- e. The Council resolved; "To accept a quote of £75.00 plus VAT from M.K. Council Neighbourhood Services to roll the cricket outfield"

Item 10 Correspondence

- a. Electoral Review of Milton Keynes; response to be sent to M.K. Council
- b. Draft agreement to be prepared regarding Sports Clubs terms and conditions re recreation ground usage
- c. Addition information to be sought regarding CCTV cameras

Item 11 Planning

12/00749/ful Change of use; agricultural to B1 business
Cuckoo Hill Farm; The Parish Council strongly objects to this application.
Upon investigation it is apparent that the building in question has already been demolished and the new one is virtually completely built. The Parish Council's opinion is that this is unacceptable

12/00766/ful Renewal of Extant planning permission
Old Bus Garage Site; No objection in principle but noted that the
'existing building' mentioned has already been demolished and the site cleared ready for development

12/00671/ful Porch and WC
2 Nevill Close; No objection provide all building materials and skips are kept within the property boundaries

!2/00848/ful Conversion of bungalow into 2 dwellings
1 St James Close

Whilst Hanslope Parish Council is in favour of the development of affordable housing, this application raises a number of concerns. The Parish Council feels that this is not the right development for this specific property and has no option but to object to this application.

- The current site is being over developed, especially by adding a 3 metre extension across the rear of the property.
- There are currently parking issues in St James Close. Any increase in dwellings will make the parking even worse than it currently is (i.e. addition of the dropped kerb will lose up to 2 spaces; the proposed new dwellings x 2 will need space for min of 4 cars plus visitors). Furthermore the house numbers 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, and 24 in St James Close do not have parking facilities on their property and park their vehicles either in the limited car parking space next to the garages (max 5) or alternatively on the road at the top end of St James Close.
- Car parking is currently an issue for No. 1b St James Close having difficulty parking on their driveway due to roadside parking on both sides of the road near their property
- The proposed new pitch of new roof and additional length will block out direct light to the lounge of No. 1a from the patio doors into the garden
- The proposed new pitch of new roof and additional length will block out light to the patio area of No 1a in the garden
- The current main entrance to the bungalow at No. 1 St James Close is via driveway opposite No 1b. The proposed new development No. 1c will create an entrance and driveway 1 metre from the lounge window on the side and end elevations of 1a St James Close. The entrance will be past the lounge window facing St James Close (privacy)
- The driveway for No. 1d will be 1metre from lounge window of No. 1a. When it is dark, car headlights will shine directly into the lounge of No. 1a.
- The fence currently opposite lounge window is of low level allowing ample light for entering the lounge window of No. 1a. Any increase in such fence height would block the light into the lounge of No. 1a.
- The proposed development extension of No. 1c is very close to the boundary fence of 9 St James Close. The side elevation and end elevation are glazed and their proximity to the boundary will intrude upon privacy to the full length lounge window
- The proposed development extension of No. 1c is very close to the boundary fence of 9 St James Close. The side elevation and end elevation are glazed and their proximity to the boundary will intrude upon privacy to the patio area outside the lounge window
- The proposed development extension of No. 1d is very close to the boundary fence of 11 St James Close. The end elevation being glazed. Currently a mature hedge and trees boundary at the rear of No. 11 screen the current development of No. 1 St James Close. The proposed new development will encroach closer toward that boundary and will become more visible for No 11 as the trees will need to be thinned to allow for adequate light into the proposed development.

Item 12 Councillors Reports

Mr Lancaster reported from the Ward forum meeting

Mrs Hayward reported from a New Building Sub Committee meeting

Mr Lancaster reported from a Recreation Ground Sports Club meeting

Item 13 Ongoing Business and News Items

Newsletter, suggested items for inclusion; dog waste bins, wind farm update, Thames Valley Police, allotments

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting

At 10.45 pm

