Hanslope Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 12th April 2011 at 7.30 pm

Councillors attending; Mr Geary (Chairman) Mr Cook, Mrs Courtman, Mr Reynolds,

Mr Dodworth, Mrs Hayward, Mrs Hetherington, Mr Lancaster,

Mrs Mobley

Also in attendance; Mr A. Geary (Ward Councillor)

Clerk; Mr McDonald

Item 1 Apologies;

None

Item 2 Declarations of interest's statement;

Mr Geary (Chairman) and Mr A. Geary declared an interest in Planning Application 11/00474/ful

Item 3 Acceptance of the Minutes of the March 2011 meeting

The Council resolved; "To accept the minutes as a true record of the March 2011 meeting"

Item 4 Matters arising not covered by agenda items

Reported that the improved children's play area in the recreation ground has met general approval

Item 5 Community Parking/Parish Partnership Funding

- 1. The Council resolved; "To make an application for Community Parking funding for a parking scheme in Castlethorpe Road"
- 2. The Council resolved; "To make an application for Parish Partnership funding for a parking lay bye scheme in Castlethorpe Road near the recreation ground"

Item 6 Finance

- a. The Council resolved; "To make an award of gardening vouchers and an inscribed trophy to the Retiring Chairman who has completed 30 years service to the Parish Council. Value not to exceed £250". (Mr Reynolds chaired this item)
- b. The account for the month was examined and the Council resolved; "To approve and sign cheques to the value of £8,430.68 to cover outstanding bills and commitments"

- c. The Council resolved; "To approve a quote of £666.00 from Woods Electrical Service to effect repairs to the electrical switchboard in the pavilion".
- d. The Council resolved; "Provided the majority of the attendees at the public meeting on Tuesday 19th April are opposed to the wind farm proposal at Stoke Heights, the Parish Council will conduct a 'Parish Poll' to see if residents would be willing to fund up to £10 per household to cover the costs incurred in opposing this application"

Item 7 Correspondence

- a. Letter to be sent to Thames Valley Police supporting rural policing
- M.K.Council to be contacted regarding request bus stops outside and opposite the Doctors Surgery
- c. Chairman to contact a local resident regarding the proposed new building in the recreation ground
- d. The Council resolved; "That due to the forthcoming Parish Council elections on May 5th, the May Parish Council meeting would be rearranged for Monday 16th May"

Item 8 Planning

11/00668/tpo Permission to crop one tree

Vicarage Court; no objection

11/00474/ful Stower Pig Building

Spinney Lodge Farm, Forest Road;

The Parish Council is concerned about this application because;

- a. Local residents living close to the site are very unhappy about this application
- b. The map supplied with the application does not show where local properties are located
- c. The scale of the suggested development is very large, perhaps a phased introduction would be better
- d. It would be better to find a more suitable location further away from local residents properties

(Mr Geary, (Chairman), and Mr A. Geary declared an interest in this item therefore Mr Reynolds chaired discussion about this application)

Item 9 Councillors Reports

Mrs Hayward reported from a Parish Plan meeting
Mr Lancaster and Mr Reynolds reported from a Ward Forum meeting
Mrs Courtman reported from a NAG meeting
Mrs Courtman reported from a Sure Start meeting

Item 10 Ongoing Business

Newsletter

Details of Parish Council and Ward Councillor election results to be included in the June newsletter

Streetcare

Several items were reported for passing to MKC for action

Allotments

Work on the numbered plot marking has been completed

News Items and Information

Old Bus Garage to be included on the agenda for the May meeting

Item 11 Chairman's Closing Comments

The retiring chairman summarised his 30 years on the Parish Council, thanked the existing councillors for their hard work and stressed that he is looking forward to attending the Open Meeting as a member of the public

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting
At 10.30 pm