Hanslope Parish Council

Minutes of an Open Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall on 20th April 2009

The meeting opened at 8.00 pm with 29 people attending

Mr Geary opened the meeting by welcoming those present to the April 2009 open meeting of the Parish Council. He introduced P.C. Andy Perry from Thames Valley Police and Zoë Firth the Community Food Worker

Item 1 Minutes of the October 2008 meeting *Resolved*;-

"To accept the minutes of the October 2008 meeting, subject to the inclusion of a note regarding £140,000 planning gain money, and rewording of item 3k to read interpreted instead of slant"

Item 2 Matters arising from the minutes and Chairman's Report

- a) Reported that the 'Dispensing Pharmacy' has now been safeguarded for the immediate future
- b) Streetcare; the condition of local roads and pavements will be raised at the next Ward Forum on Thursday 23rd April
- c) Traffic Issues; after a recent site meeting between the Parish Council and Milton Keynes Council's Highways Department it was agreed that a full survey of traffic and parking issues in the Gold Street, High Street and Market Square area would be undertaken
- d) Parish Plan; members of the Parish Plan Committee gave an update of the situation
- e) Hanslope Village Hall; the Parish Council is making a £4,000 contribution to the halls running costs in the financial year 2009/10
- f) Proposed Wind Farm; following the public meeting in February the only development is that a planning application has been submitted for a anemometer to be installed in Stoke Goldington
- g) Cuckoo Hill Development; noted that 5 social rented properties have been allocated, 2 shared ownership properties have been let, Consideration is being given to changing the tenure of the remaining properties from shared ownership to social rent. It was reported by a local resident that the communication regarding shared ownership housing in Hanslope is not satisfactory (this will be investigated by the Ward Councillor and the Parish Council) Reported that a number of people have gone to Hartwell due to lack of information or action in Hanslope

- h) Out of Hours Medical Care; Reported that cover by MKDOC will be discussed at the next Ward Forum on Thursday 23rd April
- i) Bus Service; Reported that the 33 bus service is to be discussed at the next Ward Forum on Thursday 23rd April
- j) Mr. Castle-Smith reported that he had been in contact with a number of M.K. Council officers regarding the road re-surfacing situation
- k) Mr. Castle-Smith asked about progress regarding the kerbstones requested near Saxon Close

Item 3 Thames Valley Police presentation

P.C. Andy Perry presented the latest crime figures and spoke about the issues raised at the NAG (Neighbourhood Action Group) meetings. Namely Parking, Speeding, Dog Fouling and Anti Social Behaviour

Item 4 Open Forum on police matters

- a) Mrs Hetherington asked for clarification on the meaning of ABH, this means Actual Bodily Harm
- b) Mr Keep reported that aggressive salespeople are causing a problem, suggested that 'No Cold Calling' signs could be made available. Trading Standards Unit at M.K. Council could be involved
- c) Mr Lancaster noted that the public phone box in Tathall End had been vandalised. This was not reported to the Police
- d) Mr Lancaster reported that a new 'End of life vehicle scheme' is operating in Northampton. M.K. Council is responsible for untaxed/abandoned vehicles in this area; any queries should be addressed to the Local Environment Quality Officer on 01908 252209

Item 5 Community Food presentation

Zoë Firth the Community Food Worker explained her role and groups within the local community where she is involved

Item 6 Open Forum on general matters

- a) Mr Coles suggested that the Parish should enter the tidy village competition
- b) Mr Castle-Smith suggested that details of Parish council expenditure be included in the newsletter
- c) Mr Coles raised the topic of 'Planning Gain Money'; this will be considered further when the Parish Plan has been published
- d) Mr Coles queried the ownership of the Village Hall; it is owned by the Oxford Diocese

- e) Mr Stacey requested information regarding planning permission for expansion at Hanslope Park and the overflow car parks. Reported that Mark Lancaster MP has been approached to support planning gain money request.
- f) Mr Lancaster reported that some time ago Hanslope Park had submitted plans to rationalise internal car parking. Noted that overflow parking is used by HMGC

The meeting ended at 9.45 pm