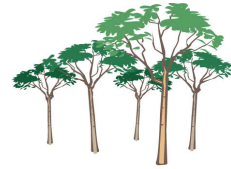


SHENLEY BROOK END & TATTENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

6 Wimborne Crescent
Westcroft District Centre
Milton Keynes
MK4 4DE



Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held at the Parish Office, 6 Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft, on Monday 28th July 2014.

1. Present:

Cllr. J Nicholas – Chairman
Cllr. M Cato – Vice Chairman
Cllr. M Chapman
Cllr. D. Edmonds
Cllr. C Williams
Cllr. D Sanders
Cllr. K Thomas
Cllr. N Vidamour
Cllr. K Geaney
Cllr. M Geaney
Cllr. S Moore
Cllr. M Mitchell-Doyle

Ward Cllr. P Cannon

S Kerr – Minute Taker

2. Apologies:

Cllr. R Verman
Cllr. D. Livingstone
Cllr. C Osler
Ward Cllr. Burke

3. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Public Time

There were no members of the public present.

5. Minutes of the meeting on Monday 19th May 2014

The minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 30th June having already been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising:

There were no matters arising.

6. Reports

Police:

PC Steve Jones and Sergeant Nigel Jordan attended the meeting, a report to the council showing July crime figures and 2 further reports from the PCSO's, had been circulated. PC Jones reported that it had been a quiet month and crime was down in the area. Sergeant Jordan introduced himself to the council and explained that he is now permanently based at Westcroft.

Cllr. Williams asked them to thank the 2 PCSO's for the detailed reports they were now submitting each month.

Clerk:

There was no Clerks' report due to the Clerk being on long term sick leave.

Chairman:

The Chairman had distributed the report to all members prior to the meeting and each item was dealt with under the appropriate agenda item.

Ward Councillors:

Ward Cllr. Cannon reported that the up-coming event due to be held at the Bowl, was now relocated to Willen Lake.

Ward Cllr. Williams reported that himself and Cllr. Nicholas had met with TVP and MKC to discuss the parking and litter issues that had arisen at recent events held at the Bowl. They reported that the stewards that had been placed on the entrances to Furzton and Shenley Lodge were not very effective and a further meeting was to take place to try and resolve the issues for the next event. This event has now been moved to Willen Lake as reported by Cllr. Cannon. It has been agreed that Ward and Parish Councillors will be included in all future events that are organised. Ward Cllr. Williams also reported that MKC were in the process of preparing drawings for the proposed works to be carried out on the V3 at Dulverton Drive and also Livesey Hill and would present the plans to the parish Council when they became available.

Planning & Environment Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th July had been circulated to all members. As Cllr Verman was on holiday Cllr K Geaney as vice-chair reported on the poor consultation held by Taylor Wimpey regarding Kingsmead South development. Cllr Nicholas reported that she is in touch with Taylor Wimpey and would report back with their comments when further information is received.

Community Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 14th July having been circulated to all members there were no questions regarding them.

Policy and Finance Committee:

Minutes of the meeting held on 21st July having been circulated to all members there were no questions regarding them.

7. Meeting Updates

The Parks Trust:

Cllr J Nicholas informed Members she had previously circulated a report.

Shenley Lodge & Furzton Neighbourhood Action Group

Cllr. M Geaney reported that a meeting was held on 9th July with 6 residents attending.

- Ward Cllr. P Cannon spoke about the parking and litter issues rising from events held at the Bowl.
- Cllr. Geaney is in contact with Anglia Water concerning the placing of newly installed drains and the flooding problems at Furzton Lake.

Howe Park Neighbourhood Action Group

Cllr. Edmonds reported that as he was away Cllr. Burke had chaired the meeting held on 10th July. The main issue discussed was the hedges at Russland Circus and if funding was available for them to be cut back by MKC.

The Valley Steering Group:

There had been no further meetings.

STARS:

Cllr Chapman confirmed there had been no further meetings.

Parishes Forum:

There had been no further meetings.

West Flank Interagency Group:

Cllr. K Geaney reported there had been a meeting, and once Andy Ridgway had prepared the minutes he would circulate to the council.

8. Finance

Payments to be authorised including retrospectives were approved.

9. Charity of the Year

Cllr. Nicholas informed the council that the Community Committee had agreed to name Willen Hospice as the charity of the year. Cllr Sanders asked the council for suggestions for a charity local to the parish to be put forward for next year.

10. Policies

The following Policies presented to the council for ratification.

- All Youth policies
Cllr. Edmonds suggested a small change in the wording which was agreed by the council, and the council agreed unanimously to adopt the policy.
- Staff handbook addendum re flexible working time from 1st July 2014
The council agreed unanimously to adopt the policy.

- Standing Orders
The Council agreed unanimously to adopt the policy.

- Financial regulations
The council agreed unanimously to adopt the policy.

The Council were also informed of the program of review for 2014/2015, Cllr Nichols also asked that if any member were willing to assist in reviewing the policies in the future to advise her nearer the time.

11. SBE Ponds

Cllr. Nicholas reported that following an application for match funding, it had come to light that there was some discrepancies over ownership of the ponds and the surrounding land. Cllr. Nicholas has now met with MKC and agreement has been reached over who owns which piece of land and Barnett landscape have also submitted a quotation for the extra grass cutting in the area as they already have the contract for the pond works. The match funding application for pond plants has now been accepted and has been passed to ward councillors for approval.

12. Emerson Valley Community Centre.

Cllr. Cato reported a meeting of the management committee was held on 22nd July. It was agreed that an open day for all user groups would be held on 16th September between 7pm and 9pm and Cllr. Cato invited all members to attend if they could. Cllr. Cato also reported that the roofing works contract had been awarded and were awaiting confirmation of a start date, and Rebecca was in the process of getting quotations for the decorating and floor cleaning. Cllr. Cato and Cllr. Nicholas are to carry out a full building inspection on 31st July and will report back at the next council meeting.

13. New Parish Office.

Cllr. Nicholas reported that as the community Foundation had now released the land at Wimborne crescent, she had prepared a report on both pieces of land available that had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. Each member gave their own view on which piece of land they thought most suitable and a vote was held with 8 in favour of Westcroft and 1 in favour of Emerson Valley and 3 abstentions.

14. Confidential Item

The following motions was proposed

The Committee is invited to resolve that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press, public and staff be excluded temporarily and they be instructed to withdraw.

The motion was carried

S Kerr and Cllr P Cannon left the meeting at 20.35

Confidential Item (see separate minutes)

15. Planning & Environment Committee – Monday 4th August 2014

Community Committee – Monday 11th August 2014

Policy and Finance Committee – Monday 20th October 2014

Parish Council – Monday 1st September 2014

16. Date of next meeting – Monday 1st September 2014

Meeting closed: 20.48 hours

Signed.....Chairman