

SHENLEY BROOK END & TATTENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

6 Wimborne Crescent
Westcroft District Centre
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**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held at the Parish Office,
6 Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft, on Monday 27th September 2010.**

Present: Cllr. D. Livingstone – Chairman
Cllr. C. DeMyers-Robinson
Cllr. D. Edmonds
Cllr. J. Nicholas
Cllr. C. Osler
Cllr. K. Thomas
Cllr. M. Walton
Cllr. C. Williams
Cllr. T Wylie

Also present:

Councillor Stuart Burke
Councillor Gerald Small
Mr D Ridley, Bucks Fire & Rescue
Andy Ridgway – Youth Worker
Mark Webber – Parish Warden
members of public
Minutes taken by: Carole McMillan – Deputy Parish Clerk

The Chair requested that Council approve a change in the order of proceedings to take Item 7 – Finance prior to Item 5 – Reports.

1. Apologies

RESOLVED to receive apologies from Cllrs. I. Stewart, C. Williams, Cllr. N. Warden & L. Wylie.

2. Declarations of interest

RESOLVED to note that there were no declarations of any personal or prejudicial interest declared.

3. Presentation by Bucks Fire & Rescue

David Ridley, Partnership Manager from Bucks Fire & Rescue did a brief presentation to members regarding home safety checks. He informed members they offer free smoke detectors to residents in all areas and left leaflets regarding home safety.

It was suggested that the free smoke detector offer be featured in the next edition of the Community News.

The Chair thanked Mr Ridley for a worthwhile presentation.

4 Public time

Council received a letter from an allotment holder regarding allegations that legal action was being taken against him.

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The Chairman stated that rumours suggesting that legal action was being taken by this Parish Council against Mr Partner for breach of the allotments terms and conditions were totally unfounded.

Mr Partner also asked for clarification on the number of chickens he may keep on his plots.

AGREED: To discuss in private session and write to the tenant with members' decision.

Mr A Palmer asked why he had not been invoiced for his plots when he was aware that other residents had received theirs. The Deputy Clerk stated this was due to the fact that it was still in dispute as to which two plots Mr Palmer would be keeping, she is awaiting confirmation from members prior to invoicing.

Mr Palmer also asked for clarification as to the plots he could keep. He stated that he had contacted the parish office since receiving the compromise and was still awaiting answers.

AGREED: To discuss in private session and write to the tenant with members' decision.

5. Minutes

Members were asked to agree the Minutes of the meeting of 23rd August 2010 and to receive reports on any matters arising.

Matters arising: Members discussed the quotations that Brookfield Rangers had received and the issues regarding the kit colours.

AGREED: To allow Brookfield Rangers to order the kit, up to the value of £750, as this was the amount granted in January 2010.

6. Reports

RESOLVED that Members received reports from:

- *The Deputy Clerk*

Members agreed this was an excellent report and confirmed that some of the content would be discussed during the in camera session.

Police

There were no Police present at the meeting. Cllr Livingstone agreed to write to the Inspector regarding lack of presence.

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- *Ward Councillors*

Councillor Gerald Small

Cllr Small informed members there have been a number of break ins around Tattenhoe and Westcroft. Although Cllr Small had resigned from his Parish Council duties he updated members that he is still heavily involved around the community. He is looking at various issues including housing, domestic violence, rubbish, grants, bus services and many more. Members thanked and said well done to Cllr Small for all his hard work.

Councillor Stuart Burke

Cllr Burke informed members that he is working on ongoing projects including Emerson Valley Pavilion, Westcroft Pavilion, Westcroft Meeting Place. He is also in the process of looking at budgets.

- Planning & Environment Committee

Cllr Thomas said he had nothing too much to report as the Planning and Environment Committee meeting had been a short one.

Cllr Thomas informed members that we are still in the process of looking at the mound of earth/rubbish at Wimborne Crescent allotment. Members discussed this and agreed that Cllr J Nicholas would look at the mound to determine if it could be used to plant fruit trees or something similar.

Cllr Thomas informed members that the deadline for copy for the Winter Newsletter needs to be completed by 25th October 2010.

- Community Committee

Cllr De Myers Robinson updated members regarding the following grant applications:

Kingsmead Pre-School	– Awarded £350
MK Korfbal	– Awarded £1,000
Warwickshire Air Ambulance	– Awarded £500
MK Mind	– Awarded £2,000

Cllr De Myers Robinson confirmed and all members agreed that they are impressed by all the good work carried out by the Wardens & Youth Team.

Cllr De Myers Robinson informed members that they had discussed and reviewed the quotations for the Notice Boards and confirmed that the Deputy Clerk could place the order for five Notice Boards.

Additional Youth Worker – It was agreed that an additional youth worker be employed to replace Tim Simmonds. It was agreed to offer the position to Matthew Jarvis who has been volunteering.

The Youth Leader requested that Karen Wheelers' hours be increased by an additional 4 hours per week. Members agreed that this was within the budget and agreed the additional hours.

Members viewed the new Parish Council DVD and agreed that it was good and would be put on the ASKMK website. Members asked how much it would cost for some additional copies to be made. The Deputy Clerk agreed to confirm costs.

7. Landscaping at Emerson Valley Community Centre

Mr Paul Oliver, Treasurer confirmed this is the 5th year of this successful operation and thanked members and officers of the parish council for dealing with the issues at the centre relating to lighting, underfloor heating and replacement blinds.

He discussed the quotations regarding the landscaping at the back of the community centre.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Deputy Clerk checks the required specification and obtains quotations for robust metal fencing.

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It was **RECOMMENDED** that if the fencing costs less than £3,000 (maximum) then members authorised Cllr Livingstone and Cllr Edmonds to proceed.

Cllr Edmonds confirmed he would telephone Barnett Landscapes to discuss the fencing requirements.

8. Allotments

The Deputy Clerk informed members that the Landscape Maintenance Contractor has requested that the parish council increase the number of grass cuts at Garthwaite Crescent be increased from 10 to 14 at a cost of £120 per cut from next April.

AGREED: To defer until a later date.

9. Finance

Members received a monthly report and list of payments for approval. Cllr Livingstone expressed a thank you for all the hard work Cllr Nicholas and the Deputy Clerk are putting into the finances of the Parish Council.

10. Correspondence

RESOLVED that members noted that the correspondence list had been previously circulated including:

Bucks Playing Fields Association – AGM Invitation
Cllr D Brook - Mayors’ Winter Ball charity event
Offer from local Nursery School that they have won 30 trees and bushes and have kindly offered them to the parish council for planting in the parish. Agreed that the Deputy Clerk would contact MK Council.

The Chair announced that after many years of serving tea, coffee and scones to the members at meetings, Mrs Kath Yates has resigned from her long standing position. Members all agreed that she has done an excellent job and wish her the very best for the future and agreed she deserves a long awaited rest.

It was AGREED that the Deputy Clerk arrange for a gift to be purchased on behalf of the Parish Council and that a presentation to Mrs Yates be made shortly.

11. To agree and note events/meeting dates:

RESOLVED to note that the next meetings would be held on:

Planning & Environment Committee	4 th October 2010
Community Committee	11 th October 2010
Parish Council	25 th October 2010

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 21.55 hours

SIGNED.....Chair

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