

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 22nd November 2010.**

C/01/10 Present: Cllr. D. Livingstone – Chairman
Cllr. D. Edmonds
Cllr. M. Walton
Cllr. T Wylie

W Dawson – Clerk to Council

Also present: Mr N Vidamour
Mrs Burke representing MKC Ward Member Cllr Stuart Burke

C/01/10. Apologies

Cllr. I. Stewart – work commitment
Cllr C Osler – work commitment
Cllr J Nicholas - diary clash
Cllr C Williams - diary clash
Cllr. N. Warden - illness
Cllr K Thomas - holiday

C/03.10. Declarations of interest

Cllr Geaney declared an interest in item 8 allowances for Councillors

C/04/10 Co-option of Councillor.

Council met again Mr Nicholas Vidamour who had indicated that he wished to serve as a Councillor .

After discussion **it was resolved to** co-opt Mr Vidamour as Councillor for Emerson Valley.

C/05/10. Public involvement

There were no members of the public, nor deputations, petitions or questions from the public.

C/6/10. Minutes of the meeting on Monday 25th October 2010

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25th October, having already been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Cllr L Wylie asked for a report on the position with regard to revised terms and conditions for allotment rental and expressed concern over the passage of time since this matter was started. The Clerk to Council advised that he been in touch with the Cllr working on the latest draft to offer his services and news was expected during November.

Matters arising:

Cllr Geaney advised that Brookfield Rangers had received the kit and would be having photographs taken copies of which would be sent to the Council.

C/07/10. Reports .

There was no report from the Clerk to Council.

The Police attended later in the meeting.

On behalf of MKC Cllr Burke, his wife advised that there was a local petition calling for a post office on Westcroft. Details would be forwarded to the Clerk to Council. Cllr Wylie asked if Cllr Burke was able to reassure SBE&T PC that the library relocation would go ahead given MKC's current financial situation.

Planning & Environment Committee

Cllr Thomas being on holiday and the draft minutes not having been circulated **it was resolved to** defer consideration of the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee on 1 November until the next meeting of Council.

Community Committee

The November meeting of the Community Committee had been cancelled.

Policy and Finance Committee

Cllr Livingstone commended Cllr Nicholas for her very timely initiative in moving the Council's funds from the Bank of Ireland. He also advised Council that the half year report predicted an end-of-year outturn of expenditure being equal to approximately 85% to 90% of budget. In discussion Members acknowledged that a part of the reason for an otherwise significant underspend was the staffing situation over the last 12 months.

Cllr Livingstone spoke also about the precept for next year but discussion of this matter was left until item 14 on the agenda.

C/08/10. Allowances for Councillors – Report No C/01/10

Council received the report from the Clerk. It was noted that payments of allowances to co-opted Councillors was not permitted and had ceased. **It was resolved that** no repayment of allowances paid would be sought because they had been made in good faith.

C/09/10. Committee Membership – Report No C/02/10

Council confirmed that the membership of committees is:-

Policy and Finance - Cllrs Livingstone, Nicholas, Edmonds, Thomas, De Myers-Robinson, Williams and Warden.

Community - Cllrs De Myers-Robinson, Williams, Livingstone, Nicholas, Stewart and Warden.

Planning and Environment - Cllrs Thomas, Livingstone, Nicholas, Warden, Wylie and Geaney.

C/10/10. Local Council Support Associates Seminars – Report No C/03/10

Council received the report of the Clerk to Council on seminars being run by the above.

It was resolved that any Member who wished to attend any of the seminars should advise the Clerk who would make the bookings.

C/11/10. Grant Application – Christmas Bingo

Council received an application from Shenley Brook End Village Hall and **resolved to retrospectively** approve a grant of £100.

C/13/10 Planning Applications

Application No 10/02124/FUL – single storey extension

It was resolved that Council had no objection to this application.

Application No 10/02208/FUL – two storey side extension

It was resolved that Council had no objection to this application.

Application No 10/02227/NMA – non material amendments

It was resolved that Council had no objection to this application.

Application No 10/02231/FUL – single storey rear extension

It was resolved that Council had no objection to this application.

Application No 10/02267/NMA – non material amendments

It was resolved that Council had no objection to this application.

C/12.10. Correspondence

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

C/13/10 2011/12 Precept

The Chair of Policy and Finance Committee reported that the committee had considered the question of next year's precept. Whilst it was clear that the Government's freeze on council tax did not extend to precepts, it was recognised that the public did not appreciate the difference and, in the current financial climate, unless there was an overwhelming need to increase funds for a particular project, an increase in precept would not be welcomed.

Accordingly **it was resolved that** the precept for 2011/12 should be retained at the current level.

C/14/10 Finance

Council received the interim report of finances noting that, because of the earlier date of the meeting, the report did not include all that was normally reported. Council accepted the report and **resolved to** approve the list of retrospective and future payments.

C/15/10. Future events and meeting dates:

It was noted that Planning and Environment Committee will meet on Monday 29th November.

It was resolved that the next meeting of Council will be held on **Monday 20th December.**

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 21.46 hours

SIGNED.....Chair