WALTHAM ST LAWRENCE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Waltham St Lawrence Parish Council on Tuesday 5 February 2013 in the Neville Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Clive Scott-Hopkins - (Chairman) Martin Hayes Jenny Baish Sandy Quinn Katie Sarsfield Stuart Craig Sally Burtenshaw - (Parish Clerk)

In attendance: 12 members of the public

Public Question Time: There were no questions

1. Apologies: Received from the Vice Chairman & Borough Councillor Carwyn Cox

The Chairman on behalf of the Parish Councillors expressed their sincere condolences to the Vice Chairman at this very sad time

2. Minutes:

The minutes of a meeting held on 8 January were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman

- 3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:
 - Dog fouling it was agreed that a padlock should be placed on the kissing gate between the top of the Burial Ground and the football pitch to stop dog walkers using the area. The Clerk will make contact with the Shottesbrook Estate Manager to seek permission as it is thought the gate belongs to the estate. It was agreed that the dog poo bins need to be erected as soon as possible.
 - Martin Hayes will speak to Alistair Brooker about the damaged triangle at the top of Halls Lane.
- 4 Travellers update:

The Chairman advised that he had attended a Liaison meeting today. The travellers are due to leave the site on Monday 11 February. The travellers have submitted two retrospective planning applications in order to delay their departure. No-one knows what the RBWM will decide but it is possible that they could reject them.

The Chairman also advised that he had recently attended a Cabinet meeting where an alternative site in Datchet was discussed and it is very likely that a planning application will be submitted to increase the size of the existing site. As it stands there is no alternative site for the travellers to move to.

Katie Sarsfield asked what happens if the travellers do not leave the site on the 11th February – until the day is reached it is unknown.

The RBWM will visit on 12 February to see if the travellers remain. There are several courses of action that can be taken if they are still on site but until that happens nothing can be done CLERK

ACTION

- 5a Planning applications: 13/00163: Zacara Polo Ground, Great Martins, Shurlock Row The Parish Council support this amended plan
- 5b Trees in a Conservation Area: 13/00187: Brooklands House, Shurlock Row The Parish Council had no objection subject to the approval of the Arboricultural Officer
- 5c Plans that have arrived in the last couple of days: 13/00176: Birchfield, Shurlock Row
 13/00269: Oakhurst, School Road, Waltham St Lawrence
 13/00263: Annexe at Oak Cottage, West End

All of the above arrived too late to be included and will therefore be discussed at the March meeting at the agreement of the RBWM Case Officers

- 5d. District Planning Agenda/Other Planning Matters: Nothing to report
- 5e Enforcement Notices & Appeals: Nothing to report
- 6 Neighbourhood Plan update: The Chairman read out the results of the Housing Panel survey which had recently been published with a follow up survey to all residents
- 7. Reports from Representatives:
 - Sandy Quinn advised that Milley Bridge is going to be raised and that the road will be closed for 20 weeks from June. She will speak to the agents and request that they arrange a Saturday morning clinic at the Hall to advise Parishoners of this and the possible knock on affects
 - Katie Sarsfield advised that the saga of the Christmas lights is still ongoing
- 8. Date of Next Site Visits: Saturday 9th March at 9.30am
- 9. Finance:
 - The cheques issued in January were agreed and signed by the Chairman
 - The new RFO Hilda Holder addressed the meeting to introduce herself and to ask if anyone had an queries with the accounts.
 - It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Barrie Dancer to advise that he had been appointed to carry out the internal audit of the Parish Council. The Clerk will write to him
- 10. Correspondence: None received

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11. A.O.B.

John Burton advised that the rubbish still remains in the Callins Lane ditch. The Clerk has contacted Streetcare twice about this but will do so again

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12. Next meeting: 12 March 2013 at 7.00pm in the Neville Hall

The meeting closed at 20.26 & the Confidential meeting commenced

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