

# ABBNEY HILL PARISH COUNCIL

2014/02/142

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MINUTES of the Meeting held on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2014  
at Two Mile Ash School

**Present:** Cllrs, E. Matthews (Chairman), K. Wilson (Vice-Chair), Dr A. Evans, David Lewis + 3 residents: Mr. Laxton, Ian Lambert, Karen Galbraith

1. **Apologies** None
2. **Approval of January Minutes** Approved. Proposer K Wilson, Seconder Dr. Evans
3. **Matters Arising** None
4. **Election** - Mr. David Lewis, newly elected councillor, was welcomed to the Parish Council and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.  
Since the last meeting Councillor Ann Gaunt had also resigned. Ten electors had called for an election for the second vacancy. The deadline for nominations was 14 March.
5. **Bollards (Post & Rail) – update** Chris Carvell had notified the clerk that he had liaised with the Community Payback officer and that Tony Higgins would manage and operate the scheme for MK Council **Action - Clerk** to liaise with TH - currently on leave until March 10th - and make arrangements to begin the scheme.
  - a. **New Bollards** – Adrian Carden, would be inspecting the proposed site very soon and had apologised for not doing so sooner. He would assess whether there was enough room for the bollards which must be at least 450mm from the kerb. **Action - Clerk** to liaise.
6. **Parking** – Print-out's of the drawings of the proposed new parking restrictions at both ends of the High Street were examined. It was noted that the suggestions made by the Parish Council had not been accepted at the Ashbrook end and that the railing opposite Ashbrook school no longer featured on the drawing. At the Two Mile Ash school end changes on Kepwick had been taken up but the ambulance bay was not included. An email about this had been sent **Action Clerk** to contact Philip Sears about the railing at the Ashbrook end and about the ambulance bay.
7. **Finance**
  - a. **New signatories** – The changes to the account had gone through. The current signatories are Eve Matthews, Andy Evans, Ken Wilson and the clerk.
  - b. **The following cheques were authorised -**

chq 796	TMA School - hall hire	£17.00
chq 797	A.H.Contracts - bin emptying	£129.12
chq 798	Clerk's salary – 6 wks.	£656.94
chq 799	MK Service Partnership	£111.94
chq 800	Clerk reimbursement – purchase of gritting salt	£114.92
  - c. **New savings accounts** – Following information received from the bank it was agreed to open both a high interest account where funds were not immediately available and an instant access savings account for approximately 75% of the current balance (£71,972) split 50/50. Clerk to determine final amounts. Proposer E. Matthews, seconder Dave Lewis. Unanimous.

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## 4. **Planning Applications**

- a. **TMA - update** – TMA School Expansion – none  
**New – 14/00010/FUL 47 Hepleswell** resubmission of 13/02305/FUL. The proposed single storey side garage extension has been considerably reduced. No objections.
- b. **Wymbush – update – 13/01724/REM Garamonde Drive, former Alps Electric site** – The drawings indicate that the verge planting/trees may be at risk.  
**Action Clerk to raise this point**

5. **Correspondence and Grant requests** - Email post had been circulated to all councillors and responded to as appropriate over the month – copies on file.  
**Party in the Park** – Karen Galbraith gave a summary of the planning to date for this year's event and requested the same level of Parish Council grant support and financial service as in previous years. *Agreed – 'To maintain the previous years' support of £3,000 via the services of the Parish Council's cheque/bank account'*. Unanimous. Proposer E. Matthews, seconder K. Wilson.

## 6. **Councillors Items – updates**

- a. **One Stop Shop** – Repair still not carried out - in conversation the District Manager apologised and said that there were plans to dismantle the old logo, re-surface and re-paint the facade. **Action - Clerk to monitor**
- b. **20mph proposal** – Adrian Carden has accepted our request for the 20mph advisory signs as part of the Safer Journeys to School programme and would purchase and install signs to coincide with the new parking restrictions. **SID's** - He went on to discuss training requirements for volunteers to handle the new MK Council SID's as the installation team had been disbanded. These would run on a 'loan and operate' rota amongst those parishes (NAG's or PC's) that had expressed an interest. **Action - Clerk to liaise**
- c. **NEW - Ashbrook School expansion proposal** – Discussion ensued about the proposal to create a new classroom for Nursery age children, with separate morning and afternoon intakes.
- d. **N.A.G.** - It was agreed that the Parish Council would endeavour to send a representative to NAG meetings whenever possible. **Action Cltr.?**
- e. **Map** - The clerk was asked to obtain an A3 map of Two Mile Ash from MK Council for use at meetings. **Action - Clerk**

## 7. **Residents Items – updates**

- a. **Walkway by Dentist's** – still not done. **Action – Clerk to pursue**
- b. **Shorham Rise Shrub Bed** – No meeting had yet taken place between TMAEG and the Clerk. A meeting had been arranged for next Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March **Action - Clerk**
- c. **Allotments** – T. Higgins had not arranged a visit prior to his leave **Action - Clerk to liaise**
- d. **Norbrek (and Norrington)** – Just after the last meeting T Higgins had passed on a drawing and a note on the varied ownership. Following his inspections it was decided by MKC that 4 of the areas were bad enough to take action using planning legislation (Section 215, Town & Country Planning Act 1990) to make the owners tidy them up. This information had been passed on to the concerned resident who had brought the matter to our attention.
- e. **NEW** – The newly renovated redway on the High St outside TMA School had been flooding again in the wet weather. **Action - Clerk to notify MKC**

12. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** – **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30pm at TMA School

13. **Confidential/Administrative Items** - None

**The Meeting closed at 8.50pm**

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