

# ABBEY HILL PARISH COUNCIL



## MINUTES of the Meeting held on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 7.30pm, at Two Mile Ash School

**Present:** Cllrs D. Simpson (in the Chair), A. Evans, K. Ryan, J. Spragg; Three member of the public: Mrs Windmill, Ms Cristoe, Ms Herkes; D. Millership, Head of Highways Milton Keynes Council after 8pm.  
Clerk: Mr J Vischer

1. **Apologies** – Cllr S. Galbraith. These were accepted.

### 2. **Public Open Forum**

Ms Herkes complained of the aggressive behaviour of some drivers, and driving on the wrong side of the road, as a result of the traffic diversion from the V4 closure which has been causing chaos especially at school drop-off times.

Mrs Cristoe reported that the long-problematic streetlight in Kepwick had been fixed and thanked parish councillors. Thanks to be passed on to R. Woodcock MKC officer in charge. **CLK**

Mrs Windmill complained that two vans had been parking in the small 'unfinished' gap of orca-wands by the carport outside no.40 High St. There had been no update from MKC officers in spite of the snagging request put in by AHPC after the last meeting. **CLK**

3. **Declarations of Interest** in any of the agenda items – None

### 4. **Approval of previous Minutes and any Matters Arising** not covered below

4.1. **Minutes** of the Annual Meeting previously circulated, were unanimously approved.

4.2. **Minutes** of the Ordinary May Meeting, previously circulated, were unanimously approved.

4.3. **Matters Arising** – None.

### 5. **V4 Traffic diversion**

Following the AHPC letter raising the V4 closure traffic issues with Ward Councillors, and invitation for them to attend, the new Head of Highways had contacted the Clerk and offered to come to the meeting in spite of attending another meeting earlier the same evening. Ward Councillors were unable to attend [*post-meeting* note: the Clerk subsequently learnt that Ward Cllr R Bradburn had suggested to the Head of Highways to attend]

Following considerable discussion about the traffic disruption, D Millership the Head of Highways agreed to:

5.1. Arrange for the requested speed-calming options to be finalised and sent over, with a view to minimising costs.

5.2. Repositioning of the electronic variable message signs to encourage road users to divert earlier and further away from TMA.

5.3. Pass on AHPC's request to Thames Valley Police regarding the possibilities of ANPR (number-plate recognition) and speed monitoring.

5.4. Put forward and fast-track the possibility of Speedwatch training for a volunteer group in TMA. Cllr Ryan to liaise. This would also require liaison with the PCSO.

5.5. Introduce more signage to direct the diverted traffic.

5.6. Arrange for monthly briefing in some form or another (requested by AHPC).

5.7. Look into the status of the proposed signalised junction at V4 and The High St.

[*post-meeting* note: The Head of Highways had responded to all of the above within 24 hrs.]

5.8. Councillors did request additional traffic restrictions at TMA access points but Head of Highways pointed out that parents bringing children to the schools from further afield and those with a genuine need to access the estate would be unfairly affected.

6. **Proposed Gardening Group** – It was agreed that the Clerk draw up draft Terms of Reference for the proposed group in order to clarify roles and responsibilities. **CLK**

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## 7. Social Media

**FoTMA** – V4 traffic closure chaos dominated the Page.

**Twitter account** – as above.

## 8. Fault/Project Log

**Christmas tree verge anti-parking project** – Awaiting information from MKC officers.

**Post & Rail** - Awaiting information from MKC officers.

**Scruffy shrub beds in central area** – contractor to rectify this week.

**Five-a-side goalposts** damage – awaiting suitable weather to repair.

**New Dog-waste bin**, by the spinney on the southern side of Cornhill, between Calewen and Ethorpe - dog-waste bin contractor to install imminently.

There are twenty-three ongoing faults/projects out of a historic total of ninety-five.

## 9. Finance –

**8.1. Payments for authorisation & balances** – since May meeting – Clerk’s salary (May) £647.10; Clerk’s admin/expenses £25.87; Grounds maintenance (May) £153.00 (cheque withheld pending work (see item 7 above)); TMA School room hire (May, June, July) £127.50; accounting software (annual sub.) £145.20; Play sessions (May half-term) £340.00.

These payments were approved.

Available funds 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019: £33,353 (plus reserves £38,418).

## 10. Planning Applications *Previous* (for update)

### *Previous* –

19/00333/FUL 35 Shorham Rise Two Mile Ash, Two storey side elevation extension part over existing ground floor retained garage, and internal alterations. *Refused*

19/00499/FUL 23 Clay Hill Two Mile Ash, Single storey side extension. *Permitted*

19/00733/CLUP 24 Fairways Two Mile Ash, Certificate of lawfulness for single storey rear extension and partial garage conversion. *Approved*

19/00908/FUL 22 Ellesborough Grove Two Mile Ash, Two storey side extension to replace car port. *Awaiting Decision*

19/00923/FUL 6 Ethorpe Two Mile Ash, Proposed two storey side extension. *Permitted*

19/01208/FUL 3 Haithwaite Two Mile Ash Single storey, rear extension, first floor, side extension and frontage alterations to the existing, detached house. *Awaiting Decision*

19/01032/FUL D F Crash Repairs Ltd Brunleys Kiln Farm, Replacement cladding to front elevation. *Permitted*

### **New**

19/01453/FUL 35 Shorham Rise Two Mile Ash, First floor and part ground floor side elevation extension (re-submission of 19/00333/FUL) addressing reasons for refusal. No objections.

19/01516/CLUP – *for information only* - 13 Stone Hill Two Mile Ash, Certificate of lawfulness for a proposed single storey rear extension, garage conversion and minor elevational changes.

## 11. Correspondence and Grant requests (other than email) – SLCC Clerks’ Quarterly.

## 12. Other Meetings and New Matters – (WEA; Parishes Forum; Community Annexe) - None.

## 13. Date of Next Meeting - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.30pm at **TWO MILE ASH SCHOOL**.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

*Signed*

*date*