

ABBEY HILL PARISH COUNCIL

2014/05/149

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MINUTES of the Meeting held on Thursday, 15th MAY 2014
at Two Mile Ash School

Present: Cllrs E. Matthews (Chairman), K. Wilson (Vice-Chair), David Lewis, Simon Galbraith +
3 residents: Linda McComie, Mark Tucker, Martin Pearce

1. **Apologies** Dr. A Evans
2. **Approval of April Minutes** Approved. Proposer Chair, Seconder D. Lewis
3. **Matters Arising** Cllr Wilson had been unable to attend the SID's training and had contacted Adrian Carden to arrange a future date.
4. **Bollards (Post & Rail) – update** The works had come to a halt around 29 April for a fortnight's gap but there had been no sign of the team re-starting. **Action Clerk** To contact T Higgins
 - b. **New Bollards/Raised kerb** – No update from Adrian Carden about inspecting the proposed site even though he had been reminded of the details. **Action Clerk** to contact Adrian Carden
 - c. **Letters** to residents had not been written. **Action Clerk** to compose **Cllr Galbraith** to print out and deliver.
5. **Landscaping Contract** It was agreed to add the grass cutting element of the quotation to the Purchase Order for Marcus Young Landscapes. Proposer E Matthews, Seconder K Wilson. Unanimous.
6. **Finance**
 - a. **The following cheques were authorised -**

BALANCE at phonecall 15 May £14,576.30 Business Access £20,000.79 Deposit £35,000

Chq No.	To Whom	Spending Category	gross	VAT	Net	inv date	Income	Comments
812	Julian Vischer	clerk's salary	330.07		330.07			3wks
813	A H Contracts	dog/rubbish bins	184.00	30.67	153.33	30/04/14		
814	TMA School	admin - hall hire	17.00	0.00	17.00			
815	Childs Play UK	Party in the Park	900.00	0.00	900.00			stalls, marquee
816	S Hollywood	Party in the Park	49.99	0.00	49.99			raffle
817	I-Print MK	Party in the Park	85.00	0.00	85.00			printing
818	KH Sound & L	Party in the Park	450.00	0.00	450.00			sound system
819	Julian Vischer	dogbin stickers	20.65	3.44	17.21	11/May		expenses
820	E Matthews	Party in the Park	7.90	.00	7.90			tombola
821	S Hollywood	Party in the Park	19.95	.00	19.95			event notice
822	K Galbraith	Party in the Park	158.44	.00	158.44			prizes
	David Side	Party in the Park					50.00	booking fee
<i>month totals</i>			£2,223.00	£34.11			£50.00	
		<i>of which Party in the Park</i>	£1,671.28				£50.00	

- b. **Internal Audit** – Arrangements were to be the same as last year – a rotation of neighbouring clerks would audit each other's accounts

7. Planning Applications

- a. **Previous - 1 Thorncliffe, 14/00818/CLUE** – still pending.

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- 19 Chardacre, 14/00668/FUL - permitted.

- b. **New – 9 Harborne Court, 14/01004/FUL** - Enclosure of amenity land with erection of 1.8m high fencing (retrospective). Objection on the grounds of sight-lines around corner and out of character. **Action Clerk**

8. Correspondence and Grant requests

Grant requests – Open Door had sent round a generic appeal even though addressed to Abbey Hill PC. Councillors felt it did not specifically target residents in our Parish. Refused. Unanimous

MKCMS – had applied again for support this year but as they had made a mistake with previous years contributions councillors decided not to support it this year. Refused. Unanimous

9. Councillors Items

- a. **Party in the Park** – Name tags were still being researched. Posters advertising the event had been printed. The clerk was asked to put one up in the noticeboard. Tony Higgins to be contacted to ensure grass had been cut a few days before the event. **Action Clerk**
- b. **Bus route** – still no reply from Arriva. Chair offered to get in touch. **Action Chair**
- c. **New Grit bin application**– Results not released yet.
- d. **NAG feedback**– Cllr Lewis had been intending to go right up to the last minute but had not managed to in the end.
- e. **Map** – Cllr Galbraith presented two different highly readable A3 laminated maps of TMA. A vote of thanks was passed.
- f. **Overgrowing Bushes by Mercure Hotel** – no further update.
- g. **Brioche plant screening Wymbush** – Cllr Evans had asked that councillors ask Brioche to provide plant screening in the gap between the Wymbush factory and TMA residents. All agreed. It was also agreed to invite them to the next PC meeting and to suggest taking a stall at Party in the Park. **Action Clerk**
- h. NEW – **Calewen** and Corn Hill footpath – tree root lifting tarmac pavement
- b. **Clay Hill** - Council mowers accessing the park from the High St instead of from Clay Hill had worn a large bare patch in grass verge by using it as a shortcut.
- c. **Cuttings** hidden in the bushes in the Park possibly from the Brook clearance, need removing
- d. **Bridge to Leaffield Rise** from the Park handrails in serious need of repair
- e. **Road Closure** - Notification had been received of proposed closure of the westbound lane of Danstead Way (H4) from July until December with additional redway closures. **Action Chair to be posted on Friends Page.**

10. Residents Items

- a. **Kiln Farm Pub** – Cllr Lewis had been told that MKC would not talk to the Parish Council until after the appeal hearing on the Noise Abatement Order had been held on May 9th. However they had not been in touch since then. **Action Cllr Lewis to contact MKC**
- b. **Walkway by Dentist's** – still not done. **Action Clerk to pursue.**
- c. **NEW – Cherry Tree backing on to Allotment entrance** – Mrs McComie was convinced that the tree was diseased and needed proper radical pruning to prevent the spread of the disease but in the past a Tree Preservation Order had seemed to prevent any work being done on it. **Action Clerk to report and investigate**
- d. **Kepwick Parking** – Mr Tucker and Mr Pearce reported that at school drop-off and pick-up times congestion had worsened here and in adjoining streets – Capian Walk, Tavelhurst, Calewen – to the point where residents could not access their own parking bays, children no longer played in the streets and almost certainly the Fire Brigade could no longer gain access. **Proposal 'To look into the feasibility of residents-only parking and consult residents'** Proposer Chair, Seconder Vice Chair. Unanimous. **Action Clerk to instigate**

11. **Date and Time of Next Meeting – Thursday 19th June** at 7.30pm at TMA School

12. **Confidential/Administrative Items – None**

The Meeting closed at 9.05pm

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