

Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council, held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 21st December 2004 at the Parish Office.

PRESENT: Cllr Morsley (Chair), Cllr Stabler, Cllr Allum, Cllr Hobson, Cllr Figg, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Byfield, Cllr S Williams, Cllr Lovesy.

1. APOLOGIES: Cllr Williamson.

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS: There were no declarations.

3. CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Chair wished all Councillors a very Happy Christmas.

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: It was proposed by Cllr Allum and seconded by Cllr Hobson that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th November 2004 be accepted as a true record.

5. THAMES VALLEY POLICE: There was no police officer present.

6. VACANCIES: We have received an interest from a Mrs Russell in Conniburrow. She has been asked to write in and will be invited to the January meeting of the Council.

7. FINANCE:

a) **Balances:** Councillors were given details of bank balances as of today.

b) **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Stabler and Seconded by Cllr Hobson that the cheques as listed be signed.

8. LEASE FOR TOWER CRESCENT: The documents were now ready for signing. It was agreed that these should be signed by Chair and Parish Manager.

9. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS/REPRESENTATIVES:

Memorial Hall: Cllr Hobson advised that the Memorial Hall Committee were desperate for a Chairman for the forthcoming year. There were no offers from Councillors.

Parishes Assembly: Cllr Allum had attended and reported that there was a presentation by Insp Robing Vitello on the new Police Community Support Officers. There still appears to be confusion about the funding of these officers, but it is understood that they will be totally funded by the Home Office for the first year and partially funded in the second year. After that funding will need to come from either Milton Keynes Council or the Parish Councils. There were also details from the Play Association of activities costing £270 for a 2.5 hour session. Roger Cooper advised that there are thought to be 620-700 Houses in Multiple Occupation in Milton Keynes, and that 20 planning applications had been received.

Brickhill Street Alterations: Cllr Tripp had met with residents who had complained about the alterations. They were however very pleased with the finished work and thanked the Parish Council. Article on this subject will be put in the next Newsletter.

Rocla Development: Cllr Stabler was concerned that recent media reports suggested that the Parish Council had not acted on the concern of Broadway Avenue residents, about increased traffic from the new development. This is incorrect as written representations have been made since July and a meeting has taken place with the developers and English Partnerships. As a result of the meeting the footpath plans are to be changed and the roundabout on Wolverton Road is to be altered to increase capacity. A full report of the involvement of the Parish Council will be put in the next Newsletter.

Stars Forum: There was discussion regarding the reduction of speed limits on the grid roads. We have now been asked to comment of these proposals. After discussion it was unanimously agreed that the proposed limits be objected too. The reasons being that this is a knee jerk reaction to a sad accident and that attention should be giving to deterring people from crossing the grid roads. There is also concern that the reduced limit will discourage investment and will have an economic impact on Milton Keynes.

Bulky Rubbish-Conniburrow: Cllr Byfield was concerned about the amount of rubbish. Cllr Morsley advised that he would look into this, if full details were supplied.

Newsletter: Cllr Figg disappointed that the current Newsletter is in Black and White. He asked that the next one be returned to the original Green and White.

Redways: Cllr Figg asked whether the Parish Council should be looking at the cost of cleaning the redways in the Parish themselves.

Waterside Festival Fun Run: Cllr Lovesy asked whether the Parish Council were planning to be involved in the 2005 run. It was agreed that this item be put on the next Recreation Agenda.

10. RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE: The minutes of the Meeting have been circulated.

High Street Trees: It was unanimously agreed that the proposal to fell the infected trees be adopted at a cost of £1,265.

11. FGP COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting have been circulated.

04/02073	37 Colesbourne Drive, Downhead Park	No objections
04/02104	69 Downs Barn Boulevard, Downs Barn	No objections
04/02190	32 Woodruff Avenue, Conniburrow	This proposal is opposed and a site visit will be requested.
04/02121	1 Thorneycroft, Lane, Downhead Park	No objections
04/02159	Daimler Chrysler, Tongwell	No objections
04/02081	9 Tower Crescent, Neath Hill	This application is to be opposed 1) further take away outlets not required 2) enclosing of yard would create rubbish problems.

12. CORRESPONDENCE:

There were no items for discussion from the correspondence file.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 18th January 2005.

The Meeting closed at 9.10pm

