

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council, held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th March 2005 at the Parish Office.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Morsley (Chair), Cllr Stabler, Cllr Allum, Cllr Hobson, Cllr Figg, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Byfield, Cllr Perrott, Cllr Russell, Cllr Lovesy. Mr S Teesdale (Downhead Park resident).

**1. APOLOGIES:** Cllr Wright, Cllr Pugh, Cllr Williamson, Cllr S Williams.

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

**3. CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Cllr Morsley advised that he had today attended a memorial service at St Albans Cathedral, for the two Stevenage fireman who had been tragically killed.

**4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** It was proposed by Cllr Stabler and seconded by Cllr Allum that the minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2005 be accepted as a true record.

**5. THAMES VALLEY POLICE:** Cllr Byfield unhappy about the fact that the police seemed to think that one arrest on Giffard Park was an achievement. The police crime figures show that Conniburrow and Great Linford have the two highest crime figures in the Northern Sector. Parish Manager asked to write to the Chief Constable and Area Commander and enquire what they are planning to do to reduce these figures. Inspector Mullholland has advised that he is moving to the South Sector and that Inspector Tim Davies will be replacing him in the North.

**6. VACANCIES:** There are currently vacancies for Pennyland & Bolbeck Park and Great Linford.

**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 Allum that the cheques as listed be signed.

**8. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION POLICY:** Cllr Stabler had been in contact with Martin Small (Milton Keynes Council), and has suggested to him that it would be more sensible for all Parish Councils to have the same policy. We are still awaiting further comments from Milton Keynes Council regarding this.

**9. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS/REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Giffard Park Local Centre:** Cllr Tripp advised that PC Archbold was making regular visits and that there had been no reported incidents in the last 14 days. Area badly effected by graffiti – this has been reported and MKC have advised that the clearance is imminent.

**Planning Application-32 Woodruff Avenue, Conniburrow:** Cllr Russell advised that she had been contacted by many residents adjacent to this site, who were unhappy about the proposals and the fact that they were not supported in their objections. The matter has been deferred until the next Development Control Meeting Cllr Russell and possibly Cllr Stabler will ask to speak on the matter at the next meeting. In the meantime Parish Manager will check the exact current status of the application.

**Parishes Assembly:** Cllr Stabler had attended and reported that there was a presentation on the One Stop Shop, also on Debt Recovery by HBS. Houses in Multiple Occupation were discussed and the assembly was advised that due to the criteria set, decisions are rarely made by officers. Those wishing to report suspected HIMO's should phone 253909. There is currently 191 registered properties with 224 still being investigated. Many properties thought to being used for this purpose were investigated and most were found to have single family occupation.

**Sustainable Road Transport Forum:** Presentation on Speed Indicators Devices, it appears that Government funding for these is to be withdrawn. Parish Manager will clarify the current situation.

**Stantonbury Park Farm Development:** Cllr Stabler had attended a meeting and advised that meetings are to be arranged with all adjacent Councils, to listen to concerns they may have on the impact of the development on their parishes. Two thirds of the proposed development area is scheduled to be parkland

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

**Landscape Depot-Sandy Close:** No reply has yet been received. Parish Manager will chase again.

**Pond junction of Marsh Drive and Woad Lane:** Following tree felling, the chippings have been put in the pond. Parish Manager will ask that Landscape Dept have these removed.

**11. FGP COMMITTEE:**

The minutes of the meeting have been circulated.

**Planning Applications:**

05/00264	4 Rothesthorpe, Giffard Park	No objections
05/00270	30 Oakley Gardens, Downhead Park	No objections
05/00286	Land at rear of 220 Wolverton Road, Blakelands – To object on the grounds that Miles Close is an unsuitable position for a medical surgery (the need for a doctors/dentist is accepted, but not on this site).	

05/00217 Land off Windrush Close, Downhead Park This application is opposed on the following grounds:

- 1) That the proposal to build 34 dwellings on this small piece of land, is a massive over development of the site.
- 2) That the proposed three storey buildings are totally out of keeping with the Downhead Park estate.
- 3) That Windrush Close is at the moment not adopted and we have been unable to ascertain what improvements are proposed with regard to footpaths etc.

**12. CORRESPONDENCE:** There were no items for discussion.

**13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th April 2005.

**The Meeting closed at 9.26pm**