



Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee held on **4th March 2009** at the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present: Cllr Stabler (Chair), Cllr Allum, Cllr Byfield, Cllr Foskett, Cllr Pickhaver, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Williams, Cllr McMillan, Cllr Markley, Cllr Rose, Cllr Teesdale, Cllr Wallis
Also present were 3 members of the public

1. **Apologies** – received and accepted from Cllr Loftus and Cllr Macauley
2. **Declaration of Members Interests** – none made
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** held on the 4th February 2009 were agreed as a true record.
Proposed by Cllr Allum and seconded by Cllr Markley.
4. **Public Question time** – the meeting was adjourned at 7:32pm for the public to ask questions about agenda items. The meeting recommenced at 7:40pm.
5. **Matters Arising** – Cllr Stabler asked if bus shelters could be recycled prior to formally contacting Milton Keynes Council/Mouchel.
6. **Communications Update** –
7. **Members** –
 - i Cllr McMillan accepted the position as Chair on this Committee
Cllr McMillan updated review of second away day being drafted
Parish Manager asked Councillors to indicate whether evenings, weekends would be acceptable
 - ii Parish Manager raised request for Council to set expectations of role
Issue of NAGs was raised and to be put on May full council.
Cllr Byfield wished to register opposition to Parish Manager/Parish

Council involvement in NAGs

8. Planning

- i. Telephone mast Marsh Drive – April meeting set for a Vodafone inspection.
Agreement from EP and Milton Keynes Council still awaited
- ii 09/00163 Camphill Community No objections
- iii 08/02090 5 Tanners Drive Comments
Great Linford Parish Council supports the principle behind this application for a Pupil Referral Unit. However it wishes Milton Keynes Council to question
- a) The amount of play space at the site
 - b) Is there enough parking around the site and at the site
 - c) Has there been a traffic movement analysis as this is why other previous applicants have failed
- iv 09/00208 62 Butlers Grove No objections
- v Church House Hotel Great Linford Parish Council wishes Milton Keynes Council to indicate that as the CLUE has failed what action they are taking to enforce the 6 bedroom guest house
- direct comments to Enforcement Officer
- vi CLUE for Marjoram Place and Woodruff Avenue, Conniburrow
Cllr Stabler proposed the following questions of Milton Keynes Council planners
- a) Do individual units have individual tax, electricity, letter box and heating
 - b) The acceptance of this type of application could change the make-up of an estate
- Cllr Teesdale proposed support for these questions. Cllr Byfield seconded this.
- vii 08/00862 53 Angel Close Comments
Milton Keynes Council is reviewing HiMO policy. Great Linford Parish Council to provide evidence regarding parking impact on this area.
- viii 09.00015 Tall House Skeats Wharf
Milton Keynes Council decision is out of time. Applicant may appeal direct to Planning Inspector
- ix 09/00011 9 Tower Crescent No Information
- x 08/00522 Pilgrims Bottle Comments

If and when an application for license is applied for Great Linford Parish Council would be able to comment on.

Xi 40 mph speed limit on Wolverton Road, Blakelands

Cllr Stabler made the following observations:

- Agree to the 40 mph limits
- There are no speed signs on entrance to Wolverton Road and Red House Estate
- The Public Notice wrongly identifies the affected section of Wolverton Road as being in Giffard Park. It is in fact in Blakelands ward.
- Currently the speed limit on Wolverton Road is the national speed limit of 60 mph.
- The reason why this is to be changed to 40 mph is because a signalised pedestrian crossing has been introduced east of the Giffard Park Roundabout to link to the Redhouse Park development. Otherwise, the road conditions remain the same and would not normally require a 40 mph speed limit.
- At present the old Wolverton Road loop and Miles Close do not have any speed limit signs at either of the two entrance/exit points onto Wolverton Road. They may have a 30 mph speed limit because they have street lighting but no signs are in place.
- The new roads into the Redhouse Park development off the Giffard Park roundabout do not have any speed limit signs. The suggestions made during the design stage were that these roads should have a 20 mph speed limit.

GLPC response to the proposed 40 mph speed restriction on Wolverton Road.

- The notice should be corrected to identify Blakelands as the area in which the changes are proposed.
- The proposals are piece meal and not take account of other roads associated with this section of Wolverton Road, which will be effected by the 40 mph speed restriction.
- The old Wolverton Road loop and Miles Close may be the subject to a 30 mph speed limit if the street lighting is in accordance with the regulations. This should be investigated and the required signs erected as an inclusive part of the proposed changes.

- The necessary speed limits on the Redhouse park development should be established 20 mph or 30 mph and the required signs off the Giffard Park roundabout erected as an inclusive part of the proposed changes.
- A fully developed signs plan should be prepared for the information of GLPC and others before any changes are implemented.

Cllr Markley proposed acceptance of comments and Cllr Tripp seconded.

9 **PLANNING**

i Government Procurement Card for Parish Manager to purchase office expenses and expenditure. Items **already** agreed by the council. Payments will be made by direct debit, statements will be checked on a monthly basis, by the Chair of Finance and another appointed councillor and signed.

ii Item withdrawn

iii Cllr Markley proposed the resolution to reimburse Councillors who use home computers for printing of Parish Council agendas, minutes and other parish council business.

Cllr Teesdale seconded this and all agreed.

iv Update for information

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Cllr Foskett proposed, Cllr Allum seconded and all agree

10 **SURE START** – Cllr Wallis updated the council on charges at the centre.

11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** will be 1st April 2009

12 Meeting closed at 8.54 pm

