

Milton Lilbourne - Parish Meeting Minutes:

Venue: The Village Hall

Date: Thursday 27th September 2018

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm

Present:

Cllr Paul Oatway QPM (Chairman), Cllr Jerry Kunckler (WC Councillor) Sarah Spanswick (Clerk), Cllr David Fall, Cllr Ann Maconie, Cllr, Ray Edwards, Cllr Jamie Cayzer-Colvin, Cllr Liz Minnear, Luke Roche (TH White representative)

Apologies:

Cllr Anthony Wells

Parishioners in attendance:

Alan Lance

Parishioners Questions:

Mr Lance was concerned by the speed of vehicles driving through Little Salisbury and wondered if we we could replicate the Community Speedwatch in place in Eastern Royal.

The chairman advised that he would propose Wiltshire Council to carry out a metro count at Little Salisbury and if it qualified for a Speedwatch (dependant on the number of vehicles travelling at speed) he would contact the Community Area Transport Group.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would raise an official application with Ros Griffiths, the Engagement Manager – Pewsey Community Area for an Metro Count

It was also suggested that the speed device currently in situ at Milton Lilbourne Crossroads could be moved up to Little Salisbury as a temporary deterrent.

Chairman: - Approval of minutes from last meeting:

The minutes were proposed as a true and accurate record of the last meeting by Cllr. Jamie Cayzer-Colvin. This was seconded by Cllr. Ann Maconie. All councillors then voted in support of the motion.

Matters Arising:

None

Declarations of Interest:

None

Presentation by TH White re Village CCTV

Luke Roche from TH White gave a presentation on the proposed installation of CCTV at the village Crossroads following concerns raised after recent criminal activity in the village.

The equipment would primarily give vehicle recognition day and night with the night time vision going into an infra red mode. Daytime images would be clear and nighttime images would turn number plates into text which would enable the vehicles to be trackable and perhaps linked to other crimes.

Main issue envisaged is getting power to the equipment so we would need to negotiate with whoever supplies the power through the lamp post to see if we could hook onto that.

Best case scenario would allow up to 31 days coverage - there is also the possibility to access the footage via the cloud which would cost a monthly tariff.

The cost would be a maximum of c. £2,000 and an ongoing fee to cover service and maintenance by THW.

Evidence shows that such devices have put criminals off, even if a dummy was installed it would be a deterrent.

It was agreed that there was room for further debate and we asked Luke to make contact with owners of other similar devices for us to take a look at in order that we could explore the surveillance equipment further.

Wiltshire Police Report:

Members were advised that the lack of this months Police Report was largely due to the Police resources continuing to be stretched and the reality is that an officer would not be present for the foreseeable future. Crime continues to remain low however there have been number of non-dwelling burglaries (shed, garages etc) locally and motor vehicle thefts at beauty spots.

Wiltshire Councillors Report:

- The Pewsey Leisure Complex (Health and Well Being Centre) development is hoped to be completed late November
- Local Youth Network - Skate Park is currently with the Planning Dept.
- Two grants have been approved by Wiltshire Council:- a) disabled access to the canal b) tree planting project
- Wiltshire Council is carrying a £5.6m overspend on the current budget, however it on target to be back on budget by the end of the current financial year.
- Pewsey Recycling Centre - There have been c.1200 responses from residents to the recent consultation for the site to remain open, however it is being heavily challenged by Wiltshire Council due to other priorities (ie. 60% of the current total budge is assigned to children's services and adult care.
- Boundary Review - A full review of the whole county is currently being undertaken.

Planning Committee Report

Cllr Ann Maconie presented the recent applications as follows:

| <i>Awaiting Approval:</i> | | <i>Decision:</i> |
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| 18/07518/TCA | Fern Cottage, The Street, Milton Lilbourne, SN9 5LQ - Apple Tree Fell | <i>Approved by WC</i> |
| 18/06846/FUL | 2 Burbage Rd, Milton Lilbourne Single Storey Side Extension | <i>Approved by WC</i> |

Cllr Maconie and Cllr Edwards have visited all subject properties and the PC offered No Objections.

NB. Further details re planning application can be found via the website <http://miltonlilbourne.org.uk/planning>

Finance Committee Report:

In Cllr Wells absence the Chairman advised that 2nd Precept payment had been received in the sum of £6,250.00

The first tranche of Section 106 monies has been drawn (£5,350.69) to cover the deposit of the Playpark Upgrade which will commence on Monday 8th October.

MLPC Bank Accounts confirmed as follows as at 27/09/18

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| Current Account | £ 8,083.55 |
| Reserve Account | £10,000.00 |

Village Hall

- In Cllr Anthony Wells absence the Chairman reported that the minutes had been received and that there was nothing of any note to report.

Community Committee Report:

CCTV

- Cllr David Fall raised the earlier presentation by TH White and wondered if we will get full value for money from the proposed CCTV camera at the crossroads given that we have only suffered isolated cases being thefts from sheds. He suggested that the vote should be put to all parishioners.
It was agreed that the committee would explore the issue further and bring it back to the table at the next meeting and perhaps consult the parishioners at the next AGM **Action - DF (Comm Cttee)**

Playpark

- The ROSPA Report was completed in September and was largely favourable subject to the see-saw receiving the recommended protection at the pivot point
- Playforce would be commencing works at the Playpark on Monday 8th Oct and will be moving equipment around to make space for the new climbing tower.
- The installation of the tower has been delayed due to concerns raised by a parishioner querying whether or not it required Planning Permission.
We were advised by Active Garden that in their experience Planning Permission had never been applied for in the past to install such equipment in a public area. Given that we have now been put on notice by the parishioner the PC have taken the responsibility and approached County Hall for their advice who suggested that a Planning Application should be submitted. Active Garden assured us that because the tower was not a permanent structure and was only anchored to the ground there should be no requirement for PP however WC Planning Dept had a different view and they have considered it to be a permanent fixture as it was not going to be moved once it had been fixed in place.
The PC are aware that this delay will result in some disappointment following the assurances to have the play park installed. It was agreed that the planning procedures would be adhered to.
It was agreed that the upgrade of the existing play park would continue on the 8th October so that the villagers could see some action

Footpaths

- Footpath maintenance volunteers were appointed after the last AGM
- An application to create new footpaths on our western boundary has been submitted and an inquiry date has been set with The Planning Inspectorate for the 26th March 2019
- Support continues for the southern spur of the proposed public footpath MLIL34A
- A long standing application submitted by Mr and Mrs Ensor to divert rights of way at the top of Milton Hill has been supported

Oak Saplings

- The village is to receive 10 oak saplings to commemorate the 10 parishioners who died in WW1.
Cllr Fall suggested that Mr and Mrs Ensor could be approached for permission to plant the saplings at the top of the hill along the footpath where there would be plenty of space for them to grow and spread. A plaque will be installed at the base of each tree marking the names of each of the fallen.
Once a decision has been made on where the trees will be planted the PC will still be responsible for maintaining the trees.
The committee was happy with Cllr Fall proposal and Mr and Mrs Ensor will be approached accordingly.

Action - DF

WW1 Commemorations

- The PCC has raised no objections to conclude the Church Service with a ceremony by the War Memorial.
During the evening a fireworks display, food, beverages and a band/choir are planned to commemorate the end of the Great War
- Whilst this is a day of remembrance, 1 parishioner has taken great umbrage to the wording used in the AGM minutes whereby it was referred to as a celebration to end WW1
It was agreed that the language used was perhaps inappropriate but given that the parishioner felt so strongly about it, the PC has written to him personally to explain and clarify. the Parishioner continues to feel that we are making a big mistake in continuing with the evening events despite our assurances, therefore it will be referred to as a Day of Remembrance and Reflection
The PC was unanimous that the evening events would go ahead acknowledging serving soldiers of the British Army from our village subject to the approval given by the living descendants of the fallen.
Participation in the event is intended to bring the whole village together.

Action - PO

Flagpoles

- The RAF flag was raised this week to commemorate the Battle of Britain Week. The flag was taken down due to the high winds and following concerns from a parishioner. On that same day the Chairman and Vice-Chairman removed the temporary flag pole and muffled the noise on the metal flag pole.
- As a result of comments on the Milton Lilbourne Facebook Page over 25 people commented on the fact that a petition be held to support the return of the flag pole behind the war memorial. In addition to the petition, two letters were delivered to the meeting this evening, all supporting the reinstatement of the flag pole. The Chairman refreshed the committee's memory and reminded them that at the 2016 AGM a vote was taken to fly the flag pole beside the memorial stone, which everyone, bar one, supported. Again, at the AGM in 2017 the PC listened to the residents who wanted to make the flag pole besides the stone permanent.
- The Council then entered into debate regarding the location of a flag pole within the village. The Council revisited and took into consideration the comments made by parishioners in 2016 & 2017 and all the views that were underway presently. After debate, Cllr Fall proposed that the old permanent flag pole should be de commissioned and that a new silent running flag pole should be installed behind the war memorial. This was seconded Cllr Cayzer-Colvin. All Councillors then supported the motion and the motion was carried. Cllr Oatway made comment that although he supported the motion of this evening, he would have felt more comfortable if it was an agenda item for the next meeting whereby it would have given all parishioners the opportunity to air their views.
- Cllr Cayzer-Colvin undertook to commit to putting in place a process to enable the flag to be lowered and raised daily with it not flying at night to mitigate the noise (this action has now been confirmed) **Action - JC-C**
- The Chairman has agreed to speak to parishioners who reside nearby. **Action - PO**

Chairman's Notices

- Nothing to report
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Next Parish Council meeting diaried for Weds 5th December '18

Finally the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance.

The meeting ended at 9.15pm

Minutes submitted by: Clerk, Sarah Spanswick

Minutes approved by: