

**CALNE WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 12th May 2014**

**Present:Councillors**

E Jones (Chairman) R Ayles, L Lansdowne, R French, K Morley, B Satchell, B Vines, V Hughes (Clerk) , C Cook,M Maddicks, J Brown B Miller (resigned and left before the meeting). C Bell

**1 Apologies:** R Hislop, B Vines, C Crisp

**2 Public Speaking**

**None.**

**3 Annual Meeting .**

Councillor Jones advised the meeting before nominations were called, that the Vice Chairman Councillor Miller had advised Councillor Jones of his resignation from Parish Council a few minutes earlier  
Nominations were then called for the position of Chairman for year 2014/2015. .

Councillor Jones was nominated by Councillor Cook and seconded by Lord Lansdowne and unanimously agreed. Councillor Jones accepted the nomination and position thanking councillors.

Councillor Jones advised that the nomination of the vice Chairman needed to be delayed due the late resignation of Councillor Miller. This was unanimously agreed Councillor Jones advised that the position of Vice Chair was purely cover. After some discussion it was agreed that the election of Vice Chairman be considered at the next meeting.

Councillor Morley asked about the process for the election of a new councillor following some discussion the Chairman agreed that it would be preferable to have a Lower Compton resident. The position will be advertised by Wiltshire Council. Once nominations were received council would know whether an election by voting was required or not. Council may also find in the event of no nominations the need to co-opt a new councillor on to council.

**4 Declarations of Interest**

Planning Application 1403053 Sand Pit Rd, personal interest declared by Councillor Bell dispensation granted.

**5 Chairman Announcements**

The chairman advised he had no announcements.

**6 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting on 7th April 2014 required some corrections. Proposed and unanimously agreed as a true record to be signed by Councillor Jones the chairman.

**7 Wiltshire Council Letters**

The Clerk advised there were no letters from Council.

Chippenham site allocations Councillor Ayles advised he and Councillor Jones attended the meeting and that no decision had been made and that they were starting again and that it was likely that more houses would be allocated to the north.

Councillor Jones explained that Mr Way had explained it at a meeting.. He understood site allocations by council would only take place following the SHLAA consultation review should Wiltshire Council find that there were insufficient sites to meet the new suggested housing requirements. Then Wiltshire Council would have to find and suggest sites later in the year. It is however hoped that sites and allocations would be done via the Neighbourhood Plan.

## 8 Highways

The chairman brought forward the Mile Elm item. The Chairman advised that CATG are looking at the speed of traffic on the A3102 stretch of road in Mile Elm.

The police have also indicated they are willing to be involved but they are awaiting the results of the inquest.

Councillor Baker mention that she had read in the Gazette that the deputy chairman of Wiltshire Council had been reported to have turned down the suggestion of reducing the speed.

The chairman and Lord Lansdowne were both of the opinion that one needed to establish the source of the report in the paper and ask and establish whether it had come before CATG and ask the chairman to advise CATG's intentions. Councillor Jones said he would try to get hold of somebody to establish what had occurred and where the paper had sourced the comments reported in the article. Councillor Jones said he would speak to Jane Vaughan and had felt quite positive that action was to be taken.

Jones

The Area Board and Councillor Jones had agreed at the last meeting that they would keep the residents informed by letter.

Councillor S Baker and Councillor Cole left the meeting having apologised to the Chair.

Stockley Notice board leak - The Clerk advised that Sue most certainly would have hoped to tell the council herself that the leak has now been fixed.

The clerk advised that the bus easement issue had been raised following discussions with Jane Vaughan. Councillor Aylen advised that there had been a 14 day monitoring of traffic by static camera.

Blacklands tractor warning sign Councillor Morley advised that she had seen that Mark Stansbury is the person handling it and Councillor Jones advised that somehow the Tractor warning sign issue had been removed from the list of issues. Councillor Morley said she was happy that it was back on and to monitor its progress. Councillor Jones said he would also monitor .

Morley  
Jones.

## 9 Calne Area Neighbourhood Plan and Renewable Energy NDO

Councillor Jones invited Councillor Aylen to report back on the steering group. Councillor advised that at the last meeting it became clear that Calne Without needed to consult with residents of the parish. A questionnaire had been started and that it was hoped that councillors would help with the distribution and collection of the Questionnaire. Councillor Aylen also advised that it was planned to have face to face discussion to talk and consult with residents of the parish.

At the second meeting the apportionment of cost had been discussed and he had that morning obtained the figures. The ratios of household and the residential population are very similar in the NP area that is Calne Town and Calne Without being 84% and 16% based on 2011 statistics.

Lord Lansdowne expressed an interest in seeing the figures.

Councillor Aylen advised the population figures he had obtained are 16540 Calne Town and 3090 Calne Without.

The Chairman felt that the figures are a fair and equitable what to apportion the costs of the Neighbourhood Plan. Council agreed with this assessment.

Councillor Aylen confirmed that a dedicated web site was being set up and Chairmen to head up the sub committees were being set up.

Councillor Aylen advised that it is expected that a professional consultation would be needed to do the environmental assessment. The Chairman advised that this was expected to cost about £10,000. It is also possible that funding might be obtained Calne Town are looking into applying

The Chairman advised that if anyone knew people who may be able to help with specialist knowledge be asked if they are willing to assist with the NP..

The Chairman emphasised that the parish council were now under a lot of pressure to get the CW consultation done as Calne Town had completed theirs.

### **Renewable energy NDO**

Councillor Bell

advised that though he had not been able to get to the meeting held during working hours he had been monitoring the minutes and agenda's. The NDO committee had now called for tenders for the renewable energy consultation. Councillor Jones felt that with the tender process that it was very important that the council have a representative at the meetings. Councillor Jones did say that it is difficult to coordinate meetings that all representative could attend he did understand having meetings at 2pm make it very difficult for some to attend. Councillor Morley offered to deputise. Councillor Jones reiterated that it was important that the neighbourhood plan needed to be done right and include full consultation. Councillor Jones felt that if between Councillor Morley and Councillor Bell one or the other could attend meetings it would be good. Councillor Jones did however comment that if a lot of day time meetings are being held then the point needed to be raised with the committee.

## 10 Streetwise

Clerk

The clerk advised that all requests from councillors will be passed on for action. They are working on an 8 week cycle and again councillors are requested to send requests in.

Grass is being cut on a rotation .

Councillor Morley said there were still pot holes at Blacklands . The clerk again asked that everyone please advise possible the position of the holes and were there are signs that need fixing and cleaning . Dirty signs had been reported and chevrons that had fallen of signs. Councillor Jones said he believed that they were currently working on junctions and signs .

## 11 Finance

Councillor Jones asked if there were any queries with the accounts as tabled.

There being none it was unanimously agreed the cheques and accounts be accepted and paid.

Councillor Morley asked if funds in the current account were attracting interest . The Chairman advised that the additional funds had always has sat in the current account to be available to use.

Lord Lansdown thought the balance being kept in the current account is higher than it had been in the past he seemed to recall that £6000 was the figure retained in the current account. Lord Lansdowne said he felt that one should possibly put aside excess funds for 6 months. The clerk confirmed that the books were with the auditors. The clerk advised that the balance was high due to yearly payment to be made in June. Councillor Jones felt that maybe putting some aside to earn interest may be looked at at another meeting.

Councillors felt that council should look at requests for money as they come in. The chairman felt that council needed to be mindful of the expenses that may be incurred in the process of doing the NP.

All .

## 12 Planning

The Chairman advised that he had looked at the Blounts Court application and felt that it should be addressed at the next meeting on the 2nd June.

The meeting should be held in the larger hall and be treated as a planning meeting after main business has been discussed.

Both sides would be given an opportunity to speak and be limited to 3 people from each side. The council would then decide on council's response to be submitted by the 5th June.

There being no new issues at present the Chair invited questions from the councillors and a report back from Councillor Morley

The chairman advised that it had been agreed that the West Ward councillor would meet with the Studley Action Group informally to discuss planning issues and the way forward, not just to discuss the above plan but NP boundaries and other issues that may be of concern.

The Chairman asked if there were any more issues. Councillor Morley commented that it was extremely frustrating that the Marden Farm development may now be changed as one of the developers had pulled out.

Councillor Morley advised that she had visited the aggregate site in Calne and been in contact with Clair Harris at Calne Town council. The site appears to be a mess and it is their intention to add more storage. The current variation application is to extend the time limit on the site. It is felt that more information should be sought from the applicant. Councillor Morley advised that the deadline on responding to the application has now been extended till after the next meeting (now believed to be the 9th June). The biggest issue seems to be that there is a build up of waste that is not being recycled. The waste is considered to be inert .

The chairman added that if waste was not being removed then we should look at it and asked if councillors were able to have a look before the next meeting it would be a good idea.

Lord Lansdowne commented that he believes Hills will get their planning consent and this will make life in Calne very tough and it is very important to look at all industrial expansion. It is important that it does not all end up in Calne but hopefully by taking action can be relocated to a fit for purpose site nearer the major roads. Opposition to the Aggregates variation of the planning permission is equally important in this case.

Councillor Morley proposed that a letter be sent to Mr Day to ask why the council have not heard the three outstanding Hills planning permissions. Councillor Jones felt that it may be a good idea. Councillor Morley said that she was happy to prepare a letter to send and to prepare an updated list of all Hills outstanding permissions to bring to the next meeting .

Councillor Jones asked if there was anything further, the clerk advised that she had passed the Blacklands Mill listed building application just received to Councillor Morley. Councillor Morley advised that she was in contact with Councillor Hislop and they planned to visit the site but at the moment all existing work appeared to be good and would preserve the listed heritage building and restore it to a high standard.

### 13 **New Matters**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 2115

Next meeting 2/6/2014

Parish Clerk.  
Vanda Hughes.









