

CALNE WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 7th July 2014

1 Present

R Aylen, S Baker; C Bell; N Cole; R French; E Jones(Chairman);
Lord Lansdowne; M Maddicks; K Morley; B Satchell; G Turner(Clerk);
B Vines

Apologies

J Cook; C Crisp

Absent

J Brown, R Hislop

2 Public Speaking

There was no public speaking.

3 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were advised.

4 Chairman Announcements

Councillor Jones advised he had received notice from Wiltshire Council on a forthcoming governance boundary review, requested by Calne Town Council. He explained that he had not received prior notice on this review, but would keep an eye on developments and endeavor to find out more information. Councillor Maddicks asked for councillors could have copy, Chairman agreed. Jones

5 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting 2nd June were proposed and unanimously agreed as a true record and signed by Councillor Jones as Chairman.

6 Accounts

.1 Balance / Expenditure Statement

It was resolved to accept the monthly balance / expenditure statement.

.2 Invoice Payments

All payments were approved unanimously

574 Auditing Solutions - Internal Audit, £180.00

575 Petty Cash - £25.00

576 G Turner - Salary, £1002.17

577 HMRC- Inland Revenue, £250.40

578 Calne Town Council - Neighbourhood Plan, £60.00

.3 Audited Accounts and Actions

Audited accounts were accepted, proposed Councillor Satchell, seconded Councillor Bell, agreed unanimously, signed by the chairman.

All audit actions had been addressed except the request for council to Clerk agree a financial limit for when tenders were required. It was proposed the limit should be £1000, proposed by Councillor Baker, seconded Councillor Bell, agreed unanimously. Add to Council Standing Orders.

7 Planning

.1 No issues were raised with current planning applications.

.2 Lord Lansdowne identified interest in 14/04177/OUT.

.3 Hills proposed new planning application to extend Lower Compton Materials Recovery Facility

Councillor Morley fully explained the current Hills process for a new proposal and summarised the liaison meeting she had attended. The new proposals were discussed at length. Council were fully supportive of Hills' efforts to increase the amount of recycling undertaken from within the county to reduce the quantity of waste ending up in landfill.

They were very concerned about the permanent impact these proposals will have on the existing Air Quality Management Areas in Calne and the effect of the HGV's on the surrounding road network. Council will look forward to seeing the more detailed information on HGV movements in the Transport Assessment and the EIA, in particular the size of the vehicles used. They were aware that Hills are not the only company in the area generating HGV movements but are very mindful of the cumulative impact of all these vehicles.

Lord Lansdowne considered Hills would probably get approval, Clerk however there should be clarity on waste licences and end dates for landfill sites, so they can be enforced and binding and not allowed to creep. Seek information from Wiltshire Council Planning.

Return consultation questionnaire to Hills Clerk

8 Calne Area Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor Ayles updated council on the current position with the committee and chairman and other questionnaires imminent in the future, with details about the current proposed questionnaire and slip. Lord Lansdowne was concerned about the English on one of the questions, completion date and lack of this council agreement.

After much discussion it was agreed that the covering slip would be altered by Councillor Aylen as discussed and distributed to ensure maximum return preferably on line. It was agreed that in future Council should approve such documentation prior to printing. Aylen

The questionnaire was accepted except for question 5 and date change to asap with the slip being either changed by Councillor Aylen for some wards or changed by the individual ward councillors. Aylen

9 Highways

Councillor Jones advised that it was agreed at Focus On Five would collate for each council all long outstanding term highway issues. Please send such issues to the Clerk All

Other issues were raised, Councillors are asked to send all details to the Clerk to send to Highways. All

Additional areas raised were drainage issues at Studley Hill, Black Dog Hill and the continuing saga of the hole in Derry Hill. These areas will be raised with Wiltshire Council. Clerk

10 Calne Renewable Energy Group

Councillor Bell updated council on the meeting he attended, the cost of consultation which exceeded the available budget. Councillor Morley updated council on the meeting she attended with discussion on what comes first, consultation or feasibility.

It was agreed that the members would be consulting with a little bit of knowledge. Concerns raised by Lord Lansdowne on placements in the paper, which had already gone out, were answered by Council Bell who advised that the purpose of the paper was to make people aware of the group and its responsibilities.

11 High Penn Solar Park

Councillor Morley fully updated council on a meeting with and offer from SunEdison for High Penn Solar Park, who wished to give our Council a voluntary community gift/project, offering a one off payment of 40K. Councillor Morley expressed her concern that the amount might be swallowed into current NDO/Calne. After discussion it was agreed that it was a generous offer, but it was considered that Councillor Morley should go back to see if they would be open to an alternative option of a much smaller amount inflation linked over 25 years and should be invited to the October meeting for discussions. Morley

Councillor Morley asked Councillors to consider ideas for the use of £40K as a one off project for the October meeting, should Sun Edison not wish to negotiate a smaller amount over 25years. All

12 Play Ground Request

Councillor French updated council on his findings on other councils costs of implementing and on going costs of insurance. It was agreed that Councillor French would advise the resident of the level of costs, and advise that council could not fund but might be willing to support once a proposal was submitted. French

13 Vice Chairman

After a brief discussion, it was agreed to add this item to the next agenda.

14 Clerk

After Council being misinformed on the rules council had advertised locally for a clerk.

It was agreed to test a Facetime process with the existing Clerk and interview local applicants if they became available. It was also agreed to leave the current advertising but not advertise wider.

Lord Lansdowne considered the idea was worth testing and that it would soon become obvious if the process would not work.

15 Questions and Close

Councillor Morley updated council on the East Ward vacancy, advising that no suitable candidates were forthcoming. It was agreed to continue advertising by adding a slip to the Neighbourhood Planning questionnaire. Councillors were asked to identify any known suitable candidates.

Morley All

Meeting closed 09.50
G Turner Parish Clerk