



LAVENDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Monthly meeting of Lavendon Parish Council held on Monday 9th September 2019

Present: Cllrs Steve Axtell (Chairman), Ann Kelcey, Louise O'Boyle, Michelle Ramsden
Jane Brushwood, Clerk
Ward Councillors: Cllr McLean

3 members of public were present

1. **Welcome and apologies for Absence** – The Chair welcomed those present, apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Ginepro, Rutherford, Hosking and Geary.
2. **The minutes of the meeting** of 8th July 2019 were confirmed and signed.
3. **Declaration of Interests on Agenda Items** – none
4. **Public Question Time** – Mr & Mrs Todd asked if the council would get involved in their private land dispute at the Glebe, they were informed that it was not something the council could get involved with.
Tamlin Barton, the newly appointed Planning Officer for MKC, attended to introduce himself as the contact for Lavendon Parish Council, he is available to answer general questions and to see how this level of government operates.
5. **Ward Councillors Report** – Cllr McLean reported that this is a very quiet time of year, the government announced that 5 key towns and cities had been selected to receive the HIF, Housing Infrastructure Fund, from which MKC applied for £94m, they have not disclosed if MK is included or not.
We are doubtless aware that although the second 95 house application was refused by MKC, it will most likely go to appeal; if the Neighbourhood Plan is in place it will fully endorse the decision.

After the first couple of days of the A422 road closure, all seemed to go well, from that a couple of Olney residents asked if the X5 bus could come through Olney in future, LPC are not aware of any Lavendon residents requesting this.

Ward Councillors had a drive around much of the ward, including Lavendon, with Heads of Highways, Environment & Transport, Regulatory & Environmental Health and the Director of Property and Environment.

The Olney Ward Community Forum discussed ANPR cameras going ahead, the cost being shared between Police and North Crawley, Moulsoe and Lavendon Parish Councils, although it was suggested that they may be used in other areas.

6. Finance Report –

- a. Payments and receipts during July and August 2019 were presented and approved.
- b. The annual accounts were presented and approved for submission to the external auditor.
- c. No purchases for approval were requested.

7. Other Ongoing Issues:

- a. **Landscaping** – the MKC Landscape Agreement was noted and agreed
- b. **Planning** – the Neighbourhood Plan is with the examiner who has requested some amendments. The 14house site application for access has not been approved. A meeting about the first 95 house application is being arranged with the developer.
- c. **Cemetery** – the new bench has been installed.
- d. **Pavilion** – nothing to report.
- e. **Allotments** – still too many plots available, it was agreed to cover the vacant ones to make cultivating them more inviting.
- f. **The Old School** – the insurers for MKC are meeting the clerk to report
- g. **NAG/Parish Forum** – nothing to report
- h. **Members Matters** – AK reported that the Best Kept Village awarded more points than last year and while we did very well, we still need to look at how we can improve for next year. A resident suggested a village get together although there is already one being discussed.

8. For Information – the next Monthly Meeting is 14th October 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed: Chairman

Dated: