



LAVENDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Monthly meeting of Lavendon Parish Council held on Monday 13th June 2022

Present: Cllrs Steve Axtell (Chairman), Louise O'Boyle, Karyn Martinski, Michelle Ramsden, Alex Mountcastle, PCSO Arlene Ormston, Karen Goss, (EPC Clerk), Pam Ayers (new clerk)

Ward Councillors: Cllr McLean

3 members of public present

- 1. Welcome and apologies for Absence** – The Chair welcomed those present, apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Kelcey, Ginepro, and Rutherford and Ward Cllrs Geary and Hosking.
- 2. To Co-opt a Councillor** – It was proposed by Cllr Ramsden, seconded by Cllr O'Boyle and unanimously agreed that Alex Mountcastle be co-opted onto the parish council. Cllr Mountcastle duly signed the Acceptance of Officer and Register of Member's Interest.
- 3. The minutes of the meeting** of 9th May 2022 were confirmed and signed.
- 4. Declaration of Interests on Agenda Items** – none
- 5. Public Question Time** – Report presented by PCSO Ormston as follows: 1 x ASB (with neighbours), 1 x public order connected with same ASB group, 1 x RTC with same ASB group, 1 x RTC bus stop, 1 x criminal damage to residential property and 1 x residential burglary. No further issues of vehicles in layby on the Northampton Road participating in drug taking. Two MKC owned properties on Olney Road that don't have a lawnmower and were looking for volunteer help. A resident present at the meeting offered the use of a spare mower and PCSO Ormston to make contact. **Action: AO.** Community forum will take place on Wednesday 22nd June at Weston Underwood. Reminder for residents to report crimes or suspected crimes on 101 or the website rather than through PCSO.

57 New Row planning application – A discussion took place between the 3 residents in attendance and members of the parish council regarding the retrospective planning application for 57 New Road. It was noted that there appeared to be anomalies in the boundary and land owned on the plans submitted by the applicant to Milton Keynes Council and the question was raised whether building regulations had been breached. Cllr Axtell advised the residents that the planning officer would rely on members of the public to flag up any breaches and urged the residents to contact the officer concerned with their comments. It was noted that the parish council had already objected to the application and it was understood that Cllr Hosking had called in the application to be heard at DCC. However, it was agreed to contact Cllr Hosking to ensure that this was the case and to pass the meeting information to residents so that they could register to speak. **Action: JB.**

6. Ward Councillors Report – Ward Councillor McLean reported that MK East was going to become an issue with the A509 being closed between the Land Rover garage and junction 14 of the M1. Cllr McLean stated that notification of the closure would be advertised in The Phonebox. There were travellers around North Crawley and Little Crawley and there would be a court hearing in the next couple of days and they would be moved on again. The layby in Emberton was closed for this reason which took 5 years and Ossier Way took 2 years. Cllr McLean had spoken to the officer responsible for the administration of S106 to ascertain how much was outstanding in the parishes. Cllr Ramsden responded that the school were still trying to access S106 funding and had not received a response from the officer concerned. Action: Cllr Ramsden to forward the details to Cllr McLean. **Action: MR.** Cllr Axtell made reference to the Olney Ward Forum and when it would re-start. Cllr McLean responded that it was hoped that it would start in September but there needed to be items brought forward for the agenda. One of the possible agenda items was the new wheelie bin scheme.

7. Clerk vacancy – Cllr Axtell reported that interviews had taken place following Jane's resignation and that Pam Ayers had been appointed as the new clerk. Pam was welcomed by the parish council and it was hoped that she would take up the position next month.

8. Finance Report –

- a. Payments and receipts during May 2022 were presented and approved.
- b. Purchases for approval – guttering and water butt for shed. Agreed to obtain quotes.
- c. Scrutinising volunteer – Cllr Axtell
- d. AGAR approval agreed to submit return.

9. Other Ongoing Issues:

a. Landscaping including Flooding – nothing to report

b. Planning – It was noted that a bailey bridge had now been erected for the new development and that building works were permitted between 8am and 5pm but deliveries were not permitted before 9am.

c. Cemetery – It was noted that the clerk had organised for the cemetery to be maintained but she was looking for someone on a more permanent basis.

d. Pavilion – quote required for guttering and water butt.

e. Allotments – nothing to report

f. The Old School – It was noted that the candidate for the Green Party had produced a leaflet on their manifesto which featured an article on The Old School.

g. Parish Forum – AK to attend the next meeting. **Action: AK**

h. North East Community Forum – next meeting 22nd June at Weston Underwood. **Action: SA**

i. S106 – previously discussed.

j. Members Matters – Cllr O'Boyle stated that it had been agreed to alternate attendance at the village hall meetings, one of which was scheduled for next week. Cllr O'Boyle would attend the meeting and be the main contact but would advise the committee of the parish council's attendance. Cllr O'Boyle to request a list of dates. **Action: LoB.** Cllr O'Boyle made reference to Speedwatch and the need for further volunteers. It was agreed to undertake a Speedwatch deployment and advertise for volunteers who would need to register online. Cllr Ramsden stated that there had been a fire at the play equipment on the 4th June. It was agreed to report this to TVP.

10. For Information – the next Monthly Meeting is 11th July 2022.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed: Chairman

Dated: