

MEARS ASHBY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2011 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, MEARS ASHBY

**Present: Mrs M Barker, Mr T Bullen, Mr C Stockdale, Mrs A Dunphy, Mr D Payne, Mr C Napier
Mrs L Ross (Clerk)
1 member of the public, Sgt Convery and PCSO Rachel Head**

- 1. Apologies:** Mr A Watts, Cllr Bass
- 2. Approval of absence:** Approved
- 3. Public Time:** No items
- 4. Declarations of Interest:** Mr Payne, Mrs Dunphy and Mrs Napier all declared an interest in the planning item 7 (2) re WP/2011/0472/F and they took no part in the discussion.
- 5. Minutes of previous meetings:** The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 5TH September, and Monday 17th October 2011 were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.
- 6. Matters Arising:**
Proposed parking restrictions – Washbrook Lane – no further information has been received
Bus Shelter – Estimates for repair – awaited.
Reflectors on Hill Farm – now fitted

7. Planning - Current Applications

1. WP/2008/0060/OEIA

(Pulse Park) Land north of Wellingborough Adjacent to and west of the railway, south of Furnace Lane, and north of The Slips east of Great Harrowden Hall
Mr Heneage Stevenson Northants LLP (A Division of Bee Bee Developments Ltd)

Pending

2. WP/2009/0189/OEIA - Revised paperwork

Outline application for 226 dwellings, public open space, children's play areas, an attenuation pond, service roads and associated landscaping. In accordance with the provisions in the Town & Country Planning (Environment Impact Assessment) (England & Wales) Regulations 1999, an environmental impact assessment has been submitted with the application
Land North of Niort Way, Wellingborough
The Trustees of Jane Wright & Others
Further information has been submitted in support of the above planning application
Updated flood risk assessment now available.

Pending

3.WP/2011/0340/F Amended Plans

Conversion and extension of existing outbuilding into annex. Erect pitched roof over existing garage
The Manor House, 25 Manor Road, Mears Ashby
Mr & Mrs B Macey

Approved 19/09/11

4.WP/2011/0341/LB

Conversion and extension of existing outbuilding into annex. Erect pitched roof over existing garage
The Manor House, 25 Manor Road, Mears Ashby
Mr & Mrs B Macey

Approved 29/09/11

5. WP/2011/0434/F

Erection of a 10 no cat pen in rear garden. Pen is not for the purposes incidental to the enjoyment of the existing dwelling. It would be a commercial enterprise.
12A North Street, Mears Ashby
Mr & Mrs A Dunphy

Pending

New Applications

1. TCON/2011/0021

Removal of two Poplar trees
17 North Street, Mears Ashby
Mr D Pierpoint

There were no objections to this application

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2. WP/2011/0472/F

Erection of attached garden room to front of existing dwelling.
12 Manor Cottage, North Street, Mears Ashby
Mr & Mrs A Payne

There were no objections to this application

Ash Tree - Notification has been received from Felicity Webber regarding a diseased Ash Tree on the opposite side of the road adjacent to the boundary wall (22 North Street) which overhangs the highway which is potentially unsafe due to internal decay. This is to be removed. There were no objections to this proposal.

Consultation - Neighbourhood Planning (England) Regulations 2012 - Sue Bateman of WBC is to be contacted for more information on this subject. It was suggested that Carolyn Howe from ACRE should be asked to come and talk to the Parish Council. The Clerk is to follow this up.

Village Plan & Design Statement - Sue Bateman at WBC is to be contacted regarding this **Mears Ashby Community Project List** - this was filled in and it was noted that since the Village Plan was drawn up some of the dynamics had changed.

8. Highway Matters:

NCC Proposed prohibition of heavy goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes - Glebe Road - there were no objections to this proposal.

Drain in Lady's Lane - this is now scheduled for repair

9. Correspondence: Circulated

Clerks & Councils Direct - November Issue - to be circulated

Electoral Reform - The Parish Council supports the proposal that Mears Ashby be moved back to the Wellingborough Constituency.

10. Safety Report:

Northamptonshire Police - Have your say consultation - Circulated

Sgt Convery advised that there were two recorded crimes in August/September both theft, 5 village planters and lead off cuts from a garden. No crimes for October and none to date for November.

Farm details are being added to a database in order to monitor thefts of farming equipment.

The new contact number for the police for non emergencies is 101.

11. Summary of Meetings/Courses attended by Parish Councillors:

WBC - Sywell Aerodrome Working Party meeting - 20th September - this meeting was postponed and to date no new date has been advised.

Parishes Forum - 5th October - Mrs Barker and Mrs Napier attended - Planning notification will continue as now for the immediate future. Next meeting April 11th

PSCT - 13th October - speeding is still an issue in the villages and cameras are carrying out speeding checks. No new meeting date has been arranged as information will be sent electronically in future.

NCALC - Off to a Flying Start Course for new Councillors - the new Councillors who attended found this a worthwhile and interesting course.

12. Financial Matters:

Retrospective payments

S137 Southern Electric re Church Floodlights	£68.40 (vat £3.25)	cheque no 000332
S3 Eon Uk- Street Light Maintenance	£123.19 (vat £20.53)	cheque no 000333
Northants CALC Training Course X 2	£58.00	cheque no 000334
S3 Eon Uk - Street Lighting	£250.36 (vat 11.92)	cheque no 000335

New Payments

S137 Royal British Legion re Remembrance Wreath	£20.00	cheque no 000336
S3 Church Arch And Church Walk Lights	£100.00	cheque no 000337
S137 Village Hall re Chiropody	£96.00)	
S19 Village Hall Hire	£220.00)	cheque no 000338
S3 Village Hall Light	£65.00)	
Northants CALC Training Course x 1	£29.00	cheque no 000339

Receipts

Wellingborough Council Balance of Precept	£2000.00
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Balance at the bank after the above payments and receipts have been deducted/included: £6680.03

13. Matters of Concern:

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Jubilee Celebrations – The Clerk is receiving the minutes from the Jubilee Committee who are now a sub committee of the Parish Council.

Sheepwash – Registering with the Land Registry – As trustees of the Sheep Wash Charity it is not necessary for the Parish Council to register the land with the Land Registry. The responsibility for the Sheep Wash has passed to Northamptonshire County Council. The Clerk is to contact NCC regarding this.

Village Planters – Replacements for stolen ones - a letter has been sent to Highways querying the use of ground based planters either concrete or wood. A suggestion by a Councillor was that plants be planted in the ground under the signs, this will be passed onto the Mears Ashby Society for consideration. Update, no further permission is needed but concrete planters cannot be used only wood.

Mobile Library – the instructions were incorrect and the next visit on November 17th the library vehicle should be parked in the right place.

Cherry Tree – on the green Vicarage Lane/ Wilby Road needs pruning as low branches overhang the pavement. The Clerk is to contact Felicity Webber for advice on this matter.

14. Date of next meeting and future meeting dates:

Monday 9th January Budget Meeting 7.00pm

Monday 8th January Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed

Signature.....

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