

Minutes of the Maintenance Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 29 June 2009 at 7.30pm in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: RH Chapman (chairman) JE Coston R Day M Ellwood SC Humphreys
 B Jefferson IF May RLE Waters
 WD Booth Asst clerk

1 Election of Chairman – RHC elected chairman unanimously.

It was **AGREED**

to elect a Vice Chairman at the next meeting.

Action: Clerk (to put on next Agenda)

2 Public Participation

Request for raised table at junction of The Oaks and The Rowans – no representation.

Traffic issues: 1. Proposal to remove Give Way sign from Landbeach Road/Humphries Way junction.

General agreement that Give Way sign makes motorists stop and think before proceeding which is a benefit and should not be removed.

2. Proposal to reduce speed limit on Ely Road to A10 bypass from 60mph to 30mph.

General agreement that reduction in speed limit is warranted, however concern that reduction to 30mph may cause dangerous driving and suggest reducing speed limit from 60mph to 40mph.

Noted that both issues are action points from the Parish Plan and are due to be reviewed by the Transport Group. It was **AGREED**

to contact the Highways Authority and ascertain the accident rate at the Landbeach Road/Humphries Way junction as well as on Ely Road to A10 bypass; to pass on the information to the Transport Group and await their recommendations.

Action: Clerk

[Asst Clerk's note: The accident rate information has since been received and sent out to councillors as well as to the Parish Plan Transport Group leader.]

to contact D Booth when Keith Faunch of the County Council Highways Department was meeting with the Transport Group to discuss these issues.

Action: Asst clerk

Request to keep bees on allotment – no representation.

3 Apologies for absence – E Spong.

4 Declarations of Interest – personal and/or prejudicial – RHC, RD and SCH cemetery - personal (relatives buried in the cemetery). RHC – lock for cemetery gate – personal (M Overall, contractor, does work for RHC).

5 Minutes – the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 March 2009 were approved and signed as a true record.

6 Cemetery - update

General agreement that non-residents who wish to be interred in Milton cemetery must demonstrate a Milton connection to be determined at the discretion of the Chairman and Clerk. It was **AGREED**

to amend the village website to reflect this policy and to monitor the interment of non-residents.

Action: Clerk

Path – no response yet from church council.

Command Pest Control report – no sign of mole activity; all rabbit workings treated.

7 Allotments – update

Waiting list of four at present.

Car accident: Noted that an e-mail had been received in which a woman claimed responsibility for the accident which resulted in damage to the allotment fence. It was **AGREED**

to reply and inform her that the parish council shall be making a claim from her insurance provider for the cost of the damage to the fence.

Action: Clerk

8 Play – update

There was some question as to whether or not Buchans had rotovated the bark and replaced top soil in goalmouth at Froment Way. It was **AGREED**

to confirm whether or not this work had been done at the next parish council meeting

Action: Clerk

9 Tree works and general maintenance

Noted that the hedges had been cut by the Cambridge Road industrial estates and members thought it looked good. Two wasp nests had been found and temporarily prevented Buchans from finishing clearing up.

It was **AGREED**

to discuss trees at The Sycamores and at the War Memorial at the next maintenance meeting.

Action: Clerk (to put on next Agenda)

Noted that Tesco had attempted to cut grass on the rise but had not cut back hedges (by path to The Sycamores) one metre from the road as had been previously agreed. It was **AGREED**

to write and remind Tesco of their agreement to cut back these hedges one metre from the road.

Action: Clerk

10 Meeting room electrical works – update

Has not gone further. It was **AGREED**

to discuss this item at the next meeting.

Action: Clerk (to put on next Agenda)

11 Date of Next Meeting - 28 September 2009

The meeting ended at 8.30pm.

Signed.....

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