MICHELMERSH & TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th April 2011 at 7.30 p.m. at the Jubilee Hall, Timsbury.

Present: Parish Councillors, Mr. R. Davis (Chairman), Mr. J. Rhodes, Mr. R. Goodland, Mr. R. Fitzgerald, TVBC Cllr. Tony Ward, Mr. P. Clark, Mr. R. Vie, Parish Clerk Mrs. K. Hardy, and 1 member of the public.

Action

Open Period

TVBC Councillor, Mr. Tony Ward outlined several pilot schemes to be launched in the Test Valley area to assist elderly parishioners. These included a 'Village Agent' – a volunteer to liase with the elderly to ensure they have the support they require with regards to transportation, security, local involvement etc. and a scheme to assist those who suffer from falls called 'Wobblies'. This scheme is designed to help elderly members of the community to recover from falls quicker and instruct them on how best to avoid falls in the future.
Mr. Tony Ward also mentioned that during his election canvassing, he met several parishioners who had concerns about installing a pedestrian crossing on the A3057. ***It was agreed*** that this issue be raised at this year's Annual Parish Meeting to gauge community opinion on this subject.

Open Period Closed

1. Apologies
Cllr. Alan Jones

2. Declarations of interest.
Cllr. R. Goodland declared a prejudicial interest in any issues regarding the Sports Club
Cllr. R. Fitzgerald declared a personal interest in any issues regarding the recreation ground
Cllr. J. Rhodes declared a personal interest in any issues regarding the Sports Club

3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 23rd April 2011
The minutes were approved.

4. Clerk's Report

- It was agreed that up to £400 be spent by the Parish Council on resolving the flooding risk at the bottom of New Road in the event that the Lengthsman project funding falls short in paying for this task. KH

- It was agreed that the Parish Clerk find out the details of the Lengthsman lead village and identify how the M&T Parish Council reclaim any costs it encures as a result of Lengthsman projects. KH

- Cllr. Mr. Tony Ward said that he would enquire with regards to the details and frequency of the playground inspections carried out by TVBC. TW

5. Annual Parish Meeting KH
Date to be decided by Clerk and emailed within the next week to all Councillors
Agenda to include – Possible pedestrian crossing on A3057

6. Planning
6.1 Applications
a. 11/00726/FULLS KH
Proposal:Proposed two storey side and single storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation.
Site: Mulberry House, Stockbridge Road, Timsbury, Romsey
No objections were raised

b. 11/00813/FULLS
Proposal: Replacement garage
Site: Manor Farm Cottage, Manor Farm Lane, Michelmersh, Romsey KH
No objections were raised, however the Council would like qualification that the garage is not to be used as a 'dwelling' – as labelled on the drawing supplied.

c. 11/00821/FULLS
Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension and car port KH
Site: Rowan Cottage, St. Andrew's Close, Timsbury, Romsey.
No objections were raised

6.2 Determinations
(See Clerk's Report.)

7. Financial Matters.

7.1 Current Financial Situation.
See Clerk's report
7.2 Invoices for Payment.
See Clerk's report

- It was agreed that the Clerk identify any monies already committed to projects as part of the Financial Summary on the Clerks Report. KH

Cllr. Goodland left the meeting

8. Sports Club and Recreation Ground.

8.1 Proposal to amend the current licence arrangements with the Sports Club for the use of the recreation ground – Progress Update

It was agreed that Chairman, Bob Davis contact Bells Solicitors to expedite the final version of the Sports Club lease. RD

It was agreed that the final draft be circulated to all new councillors prior to the next meeting for final approval. RD

If no further issues/comments are raised, ***it was agreed*** that the final amended lease be formally offered to the Sports Club once the new Parish Council is in place following the next Parish Council Meeting.

8.2 Grass Cutting and Recreation Grounds Maintenance

It was agreed that the Clerk is to review the TVBC grass cutting quotation and provide the information to the Sports Club. If the Sports Club quotation is competitive, **it was agreed** that the Sports Club be employed to maintain the recreation ground, notionally to the standard to which it would be maintained if the Sports Club were not using the ground. . KH

It was agreed that members of the Parish Council would survey the recreation ground perimeter to report to the Council on whether regular) additional work (such as strimming, tidying trees etc) was required. RD

It was agreed that the Clerk identify which areas are currently cut by Mr. Steve Medley.

It was agreed that the Clerk obtain a quotation from TVBC for the supply of 6 new litter bins and regular emptying of these and the dog bins.

Cllr. Goodland returned to the meeting

Review of Robin Austin Surveyors drawing.

It was agreed that the boundary lines for the Community Garden are correct.

It was agreed that the Pavilion boundary line should be drawn at the end of the footpath between the Pavilion and the Jubilee Hall north facing edge.

It was agreed that Mr. Bob Davis inform Robin Austin of any amendments prior to a final draft being drawn up. RD

Councillor, Robin Goodland was invited to join the recreation ground survey walk as discussed whilst he was out of the room. Mr. Goodland stated that he would be available for this. Mr. Bob Davis stated that he would co-ordinate this survey and would schedule a date in the next week. RD

9. Correspondence

- The Council was informed of the appointment of the new Auditor, Mrs. Jackie Bellard
- The Council was informed of the extension of the National Cycle Network to now include Route 246 which runs through Timsbury.

- The Council was informed that a cricket ball had left the cricket nets and struck a parked car. Mr. Robin Goodland stated that in his opinion, the nets were too taut and did not extend to the ground.

It was agreed that the Clerk email the Sports Club Secretary to outline the Parish Council's concern over this issue and to urge the Sports Club to ensure the nets are fit for purpose and that their insurance would cover any claims of damage caused to property as a result of members of the public making use of the cricket nets. KH

Mr. Goodland said that he thought a cricket cage would prevent this type of accident in the future.
It was agreed that he provide the Clerk with costing information for a cricket net for future consideration by the Parish Council. ***It was agreed*** that this be placed on the agenda for next month's meeting. RG/KH

- Resignation letter from Parish Councillor, Mr. Alan Jones
Mr. Jones wrote a letter of resignation from his position as Councillor on the Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Council.

10. Village and Village Hall Noticeboard
Cllr. Davis informed the meeting that Mr. Matthew Chalk had made a new noticeboard on the side of the Jubilee Hall and that it had been erected, as the old noticeboard had broken and was unsafe to remain on the wall.
It was agreed that Cllr. Davis request Mr. Chalk supply the Clerk with an invoice for £550 to be paid forthwith.

11. BT Kiosk – restoration plans
As a result of Cllr. Jones' resignation, the Parish Council will need to review the restoration plans. KH
It was agreed that this item be carried forward to next months' meeting.

12. Parish Council insurance – review of renewal quotations
It was agreed that the Clerk renew the Parish Council insurance with AVIVA, (Came & Company Insurance). KH

13. Meetings attended and to be attended
None.

14. Jubilee Hall - Lease;a progress update
Chairman, Cllr. Davis informed the Council that the draft lease was with Bell's Solicitors and that he would contact them for an update. RD

15. Timsbury Lake – lighting concerns
It was agreed that Cllr. Tony Ward identify if the original planning permission included lighting the site either during and/or after construction. TW

16. Parish Council – adoption of PAYE
It was agreed that the Clerk would submit a letter of exemption to the HMRC. KH

17. Recreation Ground – parking concerns
Deferred until next month

18. Chairman's Mandate
Agreed.
The Chairman thanked all Councillors for their work on behalf of the village during the Council's four-year term, and particularly thanked retiring Councillors Alan Jones, Robin Goodland and Richard Vie.

19. Additional agenda Items to be included in next month's Parish Council Meeting
None.

20. Dates of future meetings
Parish Council Meeting – 16t May (Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council)
The meeting closed at 9.35pm
Katie Hardy