

Maxey Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting held in the Village Hall
at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 28th March 2000

Present: Cllr Hutchison (Chairman),
Cllr Duffelen,
Cllr R Homewood,
Cllr Lloyd,
Cllr Newbold,
Cllr Purllant,
The Clerk

but no Members of the Public.

The Chairman declared the Ordinary Meeting open at 7.33 pm.

1. Apologies for absence:

Apologies for absence were given for Cllr Johns.

2. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 22nd February 2000:

Having been circulated prior to this Meeting, the Record Copy of the Minutes was signed by the Chairman as being a true Record of the Proceedings.

3. Matters arising from the previous Ordinary Meeting:

3.01 Archives (02/563): following discussion about the 1820's map, it was agreed that the Clerk should investigate the practicability of uniting the Maxey and Deepingate (sic) maps. It was further agreed that the Clerk should bring the maps to the next Ordinary Meeting.

3.02 Tarmac (02/563): Cllr Purllant reported on his having witnessed the reading of a dip-well. The Clerk reported that Tarmac wished to address this Council regarding the extension to Maxey Quarry.

3.03 Power-lines (02/563): the Clerk reported that nothing further had been heard from the City Council. It was agreed that this item would be dropped.

3.04 Newsletter - Millennium special edition (02/563): the Clerk tabled a letter of Appeal; following discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman and Cllr Newbold would have discussions with the Newsletter people to determine a best-value approach. It was further agreed that up to £150 is available.

3.05 Stamford Homes' development (02/563): the Clerk reported that the City Council had advised that there would be no change of name for Perkins Lane.

3.06 Bulky Waste Collection (02/563): the Clerk stated that he now had copies of the Form and of the Directory for distribution to all Parish Councillors.

3.07 Church Notice Board (02/563): the Clerk stated that there was nothing new to report on this item.

3.08 Minutes on the Maxey Website (02/563): following discussion, it was agreed that future Minutes on the Website would not be a Draft version, but the version as approved by this Council. It was further agreed that the Notice-board copy would be, as now, the Draft version as circulated to Parish Councillors.

3.09 Footway at West End Road (02/563): the Meeting noted that the Work was still outstanding.

3.10 Police Authority Budget (02/563): the Clerk reported that he had received an acknowledgment of the comments made.

3.11 Grasscutting (02/562): the Clerk reported that he had advised MG Landscapes of this Council's acceptance of the three-year Contract.

3.12 Peterborough Local Transport Plan (02/562): it was agreed that individual Councillors should make a response.

3.13 Fenweb questionnaire (02/562): the Clerk reported that he had not yet forwarded this to the Maxey Webmaster.

3.14 Peterborough Local Plan - First Replacement (02/562): it was noted that the document was still on circulation.

3.15 Anglia in bloom (02/562): following discussion, it was agreed that two trees and two hundred bulbs would be planted, but that planting would take place in the Autumn. The Clerk was instructed to check the validity of this arrangement with the City Council. It was further agreed that Cllr Newbold would handle Liaison, assisted by Cllr Homewood.

3.16 Planning Forum (02/562): the Clerk passed the Agenda to the Chairman.

3.17 Hedge on the High Street (02/560): the Clerk reported that he had been unable to find the Occupier at home. Cllr Purllant agreed to take up this issue.

3.18 Seat at High Street/Perkins Lane junction (02/560): the Clerk reported that the City Council had agreed to investigate the standing-water/splashing problem when the adjacent building work had been completed.

3.19 Pavement at Tucker's Nook (02/560): the Clerk reported that the City Council has agreed that the pavement is in a poor state and has promised short-term action to the severely-subsided area, and a longer-term review for the rest of the pavement.

4. Correspondence:

4.01 Review of Common Land Registration: the City Council had advised the availability of this consultancy document, both as

hard-copy on request, and on the Internet. The Clerk stated that he had read the Review and had found it arcane. It was agreed that this item would not be pursued.

4.02 Cambs Local Agenda 21 Round Table: following study of the aims of this Conference, it was agreed that no delegate would attend.

4.03 National Spring Clean: following discussion, it was agreed that this City Council initiative would not be supported, and the Clerk was instructed to advise the City Council accordingly.

4.04 Cambridgeshire Association of Local Council Information leaflets: the Clerk advised that these had been put on circulation.

5. Planning:

5.01 Quarry Planning Application (02/561): the Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Minerals Officer, who stated that the City Council still awaits action from Tarmac on Section 106. (See also 3.02 above).

5.02 14 Castle End Road - windows (02/561): the Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Planning Officer, who had advised that this Application has yet to be determined.

5.03 Poultry houses, King Street - change of use (02/561): the Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Planning Officer, who advised that the City Council broadly agrees with this Council's views regarding traffic and almost inevitable reconstruction to permit a change of use, and that the Application is in abeyance pending a possible new use without major alteration.

5.04 29 West End Road - rear extension (02/561): the Clerk reported that this Application has been granted, with Conditions, one being that the dormer be provided with obscure glass in perpetuity.

5.05 Planning Consultancy (02/561): the Clerk reported that there has been no response to this Council's request to the City Council for increased proscripton for Plans.

5.06 Beside lake - extension to cabin/boatstore (02/561):

Cllr Newbold declared an interest in this matter and took no part in the discussion.

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Senior Planning Officer, who had advised that any substitution for the current wooden structure would not be permissible under a Condition under which the original Application was granted.

5.07 First Steps Nursery - removal of Condition (559):

Cllr Newbold declared an interest in this matter and took no part in the discussion.

The Clerk tabled a letter from the City Council, which stated that an Application was determined not solely on information given on the application form, but could be legitimately influenced by other knowledge and advice such as controlling the use of buildings to prevent an intensification in the use of a Site. Following discussion, it was agreed that the City Council's stance is supported, and the Clerk was instructed to so advise the City Council.

5.08 2b High Street - erection of two dwellings (564): the Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Planning Officer, who stated that she agreed with this Council's views regarding the overwhelming size of the proposed dwellings relative to the size of the Site, and had requested that a more modest proposal be submitted.

5.09 Plot 2 Arthur's Court - alterations and extensions: following study of the documents, it was agreed that no objection to the Application would be made. The Clerk was instructed to so advise the City Council, with a request that this Council expects the opinions of neighbours to be taken into account.

6. Financial:

6.01 Current account (02/561): the (still) current Statement 164 dated 30 dec 99 shows a Credit Balance of £59.93.

6.02 Reserve account (02/561): the current Statement 031 dated 28 jan 00 shows a Credit Balance of £5366.59 (inclusive of Gross Interest of £23.96).

6.03 Statement of Inc and Exp 99/00 (02/561): the current Report dated 28 mar 00 shows an Excess of Income over Expenditure of £51.80; the Report is on circulation.

6.04 Budget Control 99/00 (02/561): the current Report dated 28 mar 00 shows a Budget Surplus of £19.27; the Report is on circulation.

6.05 Village Hall extension:

6.05.01 No 2 Account (02/561): the current Statement 16 dated 29 feb 00 shows a Credit Balance of £8411.66.

6.05.02 Statement of Inc and Exp (02/560): the (still) current Report dated 21 feb 00 shows an Excess of Expenditure over Income of £2045.36;

6.05.03 Debit (02/560): the Clerk reported that a Receipt had been received from Roof-rite in respect of Invoice 815.

6.06 Clerk's expenses (11/548): cheque 000.235 for £54.97 in favour of the Clerk for Expenses for the period 01 oct 99 to 31 mar 00 was drawn and signed.

6.07 Clerk's salary (11/548): cheque 000.234 for £125.00 in favour of the Clerk for Salary for the period 01 dec 99 to 29 feb 00 was drawn and signed.

6.08 Grasscutting (11/548): cheque 000.237 for £73.90 in favour of MG Landscapes against Invoice number 5 for the feb 00 cut was drawn and signed.

7. Other matters at the Chairman's discretion:

7.01 Cllr Lloyd stated that there were several patches of surface deterioration on the High Street between Woodgate Lane and The Retreat. The Clerk was instructed to request remedial action by the City Council.

7.02 Cllr Purllant expressed concern that there has been no new date proposed for the cancelled January Village Inspection. The Clerk was instructed to write to Cllr Franklin to enquire whether or not the concept of the Inspection was still being maintained.

8. Public Comment:

No member of the public was present.

9. Date, time and venue for the next Ordinary meeting:

It was agreed that the next Ordinary Meeting would be held as scheduled at 7.30 pm in the Back Room of the Village Hall on Tuesday, 25th April, 2000.

There being no further Business,
the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance,
and declared the Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

The above Minutes were approved by the Parish Council
at its Ordinary Meeting of the 25th April 2000
as being a true Record of the Proceedings
and the original was duly signed by the Chairman of the Parish Council
Cllr D Hutchison.