

Maxey Parish Council

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Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting
held in the Back Room of the Village Hall
at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 27th February 2007

Present:

Cllr Perkins
Cllr Poole
Cllr Purllant
Cllr Boughton
Cllr Langley
The Clerk

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr Bagworth
Cllr Hardy

2. Minutes of the previous Ordinary Meeting.

A draft had been copied to all Councillors and displayed prior to the meeting. The meeting was agreed that the Minutes be adopted and the Chairman signed the Record Copy.

3. Declarations of Interest - None
4. Matters Arising.

4.1. Dog Fouling Bins

The Council noted the arrival of the bins in Blind Lane and the fact that they were the responsibility of MPC. The Clerk advised the meeting that arrangements had been made for the emptying of the bins.

4.2. Play Area.

Prior to the meeting Mr David Malia had made a presentation to the Council on the updating of the play area. An agreement was reached and Mr Malia agreed to provide a final sketch before work commenced. The plan involves work in both sides of the Play Area. The larger area will be fenced when the work is complete.

4.3. Footpaths

The Clerk reported that the renovation of the path surface on the High St/West End Rd would be complete by the end of March.

4.4. Helpston Rd

The Clerk advised the meeting that the lining had been carried out by Anglian Water. An inspection has shown the road narrows at this point and therefore the southbound is not as wide. It was decided that no action would be taken as the only solution is to remove the markings complete. The Clerk to advise Mr. Hickling who raised the matter.

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4.5. Seats

The Clerk reported that there were two seats earmarked for Maxey. In the discussion on the Play Area it was determined that the seat in the Toddler Area of the Plat Area would be refurbished. It was therefore agreed the one seat should go in the other area and one on the corner of West End Rd and castle End Rd. The Clerk to deal.

5. Planning

5.1. Outstanding Applications update

5.1.1. 45 High Street. – Approved

The Council noted that this application had been approved. The Clerk was instructed to convey the disappointment of the Council to the Planning Dept. The Clerk to stress the notes re demolition in the Conservation Area Appraisal.

5.1.2. 65/67/67A High St –Wtg Section 106 -Noted

5.1.3. Blind Lane. Wtg section 106 -Noted

5.2. New/Revised Applications.

5.2.1. 11A West End Rd. There were no objections to this proposal

6. Matters for Discussion

6.1. Traffic Calming

Results expected in March

6.2. Village Hall.

Cllr Bagworth provided a brief report.

- Successful Barn dance had been held
- Some loose stonework on the NW corner. Urgent repairs needed.
- Roof/Gutter repairs needed. These may prove to be costly.

6.3. Neighbourhood Watch.

6.3.1. Update

The Clerk reported that the number of people being contacted by e mail was increasing.

6.3.2. Notice boards.

It was agreed that MPC will pay for a suitable notice board for the outside of the Village Hall, the Clerk to obtain prices and to update the 2007/8 budget.

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7. Correspondence.

7.1. Election

The Clerk reported that there will be an Election on the 3rd May 2007 if there are more than seven nominations. Nomination papers to be dealt with by the Clerk.

7.2. Revision to Code of Conduct

A Consultation Paper had been received giving details of the revisions to the Code of Conduct. The Clerk advised the meeting that the revisions are designed to reduce the need for councillors to declare an interest..

8. Financial

8.1. Budget.2007/8

It was noted that there was no provision for a contested election. If a contested election is required the costs will be paid either from reserves or from the 2008/9 budget (this is allowed by PCC)

8.2. Donations. Payments were approved and cheques signed.

- Arthur Mellows Village College
- Northborough Primary School
- Helpston Scouts
- Sunflower Seeds Preschool Playgroup

8.3. Payment re Clerk Salary. Approved and cheque signed.

9. Other matters

9.1. The appointment of a new head at Northborough Primary School was noted.

9.2. Cllr Purlant reported on a number of instances of criminal damage to cars within the village

The next meeting to be held on the 27th March 2007 at 7.30 pm

