

OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, 24TH. JANUARY 2017 AT OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT: Councillors J.M.Lander (Chairman), J.Emmerson, Mrs.A.Kelsey and W.M.O.Tansey; County Councillor W.Redford; District Councillors G.H.Cain and Mrs. A.M.Stevens; and Police Community Support Officer King.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor Mrs. L.Keeling; and District Councillors W.L.Gifford and Miss H.Grainger.

1788. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th. November 2016 were approved, and were signed by the Chairman.

1789. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

(a). The District Council had provided breakdowns of its 2015 election charges which had been circulated to Members, but no further communication had been received

(b). Information from web sites had indicated that the posting of notices outside planning application sites was still the normal statutory practice, but since doubts were expressed, the Clerk was asked to check the very latest regulations with the District Council.

(c). The Clerk had contacted Western Power Distribution concerning apparent electric power voltage drops at Old Milverton, but they had no record of such problems and local residents were therefore asked to telephone 0800 096 3080 immediately in the case of any future voltage drops so that the matter could be investigated.

(d). The Highways Engineer had reported that drains had been rodded to alleviate highways flooding, but a recent rainstorm had resulted in continued flooding outside the Nuffield Hospital, and flooding had also occurred in Old Milverton Road at the Village Green: the Clerk was asked to report the matter.

(e). The Highways Engineer had arranged for the foot ways in Stoneleigh Road to be cleared of creeping ground vegetation but Cllr. Mrs Keeling had indicated she did not feel that they had been cleared to their full width, which she would reinvestigate further and apprise the Clerk.

1790. OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE HALL

Old Milverton Village Hall Committee had applied to Warwick District Council for a grant towards the renewal of the valleys and flat roof at the rear of the building where leakages had occurred. The Parish Council's contribution would strengthen the application and the Clerk had given the necessary confirmation that this grant would be forthcoming, which the Committee had requested in the sum of £1,000.

1791. OLD MILVERTON STREET FURNITURE

(a). An order had been placed with Mr. David Moorcroft of Cubbington to carry out the work approved at the November 2016 Parish Council Meeting.

(b). Cllr. Mrs. Kelsey agreed to provide a draft list of Old Milverton Village sites where explanatory plaques might be sited, together with suggested wording, for the consideration of the Parish Council, together with an explanatory map for inclusion on the Village notice board.

1792. WARWICK DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

The outcome of the official Examination into the Local Plan was expected shortly, perhaps by the beginning of February.

1793. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

Warwick District Council was consulting on a revised draft charging schedule for the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from 16th. January to 20th. February 2017 and had used as one of its five strategic sites land at Blackdown alongside Leicester Lane which was no longer in the Local Plan. The Clerk was asked to enquire why this example had been used and Cllr. Emmerson volunteered to make other enquires.

1794. OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

There had been no developments concerning the Neighbourhood Plan, but the Clerk had ascertained that no further grants would be available from Warwick District Council and that, when the time came, it would be necessary to apply to other sources, about which the District Council would be able to advise.

1795. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a). Parish Councils had been asked to consider marking the centenary of the Armistice in 1918 on Sunday 11th. November 2018 and it was agreed to give this consideration.

(b). Warwickshire Association of Local Councils had invited Parish Councils to nominate representatives to attend a Buckingham Palace Garden Party on 16th. May 2017 and it was agreed to nominate Cllr. and Mrs. Tansey to be entered in the "ballot".

(c). The Chairman tabled a letter he had received from St. James's Parochial Church Council, requesting the Parish Council to consider the installation of a defibrillator outside Old Milverton Village Hall. This possibility had been considered previously but had not taken the matter forward for reasons including maintenance arrangements and possible vandalism, but it was agreed to consider the matter again with reference to latest details.

1796. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a). Notification had been received that Planning Officers were in discussion with the interested parties on issues relating to Quarry Park, Old Milverton Lane.

(b).The following were noted in accordance with details previously circulated:

W16/2102 Manor Farm, Old Milverton Road, Old Milverton

Adaptations for barn conversion

OBSERVATIONS: No objection with request that every support and assistance be given to those charged with overseeing the adaptations and encouragement of the present owners to make inroads into the viability of this heritage-preserving initiative.

[Cllr. Tansey had declared an interest in this application and had not participated in its consideration].

W16/2046 Llandrecies, Church Lane, Old Milverton

Erection of replacement dwelling

OBSERVATIONS: The Parish Council supported the demolition of the existing building but opposed the application on grounds including that the design of the replacement could have better blended with the surrounding buildings, that its new siting (to accommodate a rear extension) would be too near the highway boundary and detract from the openness of the area and that further details of vehicle accommodation should be provided, since the proposals did not include garage provision. The Clerk had subsequently received an e-mail from the applicants indicating that they wished to work with the Parish Council to build an acceptable

home and that accommodation would be made for vehicles which would not be parked on the highway, and that the bringing forward of the new building had been done for various considered reasons. The Parish Council noted these observations and asked the Clerk to advise the applicants to forward them to the District Council.

W16/1039 Cranford House and Manor House
Erection of 1.8m close boarded fence (retrospective)
GRANTED

1797. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: MONDAY 24TH. APRIL 2017

It was agreed to investigate the possibility of arranging for a speaker to make a presentation on behalf of the CPRE at the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 24th. April 2017.

1798. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts specified in the schedule provided to Members were approved for payment.

1799. ITEMS FOR FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

None.

1800 . PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

CHAIRMAN.