

Minutes of Tempsford Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17th November 2009 at 7:30pm in the Stuart Memorial Hall

Present:	Mr A Besant	Chairman
	Mr J Donnelly	Vice Chairman
	Mr S Cooney	Councillor
	Mr C Bettles	Councillor
	Miss L Infield	Councillor
	Mr D Clark	Councillor
	Mr I Gosling	Councillor
	Miss A Baldwin	Clerk
	Mrs P Turner	Central Beds Councillor
	1 Member of the Public	

ACTION

- 1 The Chairman opened the meeting at 19:30.
- 1 **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies received from Cllr C Maudlin
- 2 **Declarations of Interest**
None
- 3 **Approval of Minutes**
The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the 15th September 2009 was approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
- 4 **Public Session**
None
- 5 **Matters Arising**
AB and Clerk attended the Town & Parish Conference held on 4th November at Central Beds Offices and reported that it was very informative. Clerk to circulate the Ward Profile and Key Facts and Figure to Cllrs.
AB reported that 48 replies from parishioners and 2 from Kiers have been received regarding the Housing Needs Survey which equated to 18%. Clerk is to seek further information on the analysis of these forms.
The Clerk reported that items of mail are currently being sent to the previous clerk at her new address who is forwarding this onto the current clerk and therefore there is a delay in items being received.
- 6 **Police Reports**
PC Ross Paterson handed round crime sheets and reported that he was unable to provide crime figures in the old format. He stated that there had been two house burglaries in October/November, 1 car had been stolen from outside the Anchor Pub and a car had been broken into and a handbag stolen, again from outside the Anchor.

It was agreed that the Ringmaster form, which can be completed by parishioners and gives a breakdown of crime in a specific area will be put onto the website.
- 7 **Central Beds Reports**
Cllr Tricia Turner reported on the following topics: Town & Parish Conference, Central Beds budget, BeAR Project.
Replies on the Community Engagement Strategy are due by 18th January.
A paper is to be produced on the status of Parish Plans.
- 8 **Planning**

Current Planning Applications:

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Plan Number	Location	Proposal	Outcome
CB/09/06312/LDCE	The Nursery, Great North Road, Sandy	Change use of land for parking and servicing ancillary	No Objections
CB/09/06319/LDCE	The Nursery, Great North Road, Sandy	Access road and parking area associated with main factory building	No Objections

9 Highways

The willow trees in the link road have now be cut back by highways Parish Partnership Fund: It was reported Council needs to use the funds available under this scheme by March. It was agreed AB would contact Keith Stallan again about the adoption of the street light in Bakers, Lane and to arrange a site visit with AB.

The Clerk has received a letter from La Farge who are looking to hold an informal quarry liaison meeting in order to provide an update on the development proposals and timescales on workings at the Black Cat site and it was agreed that IG would attend. Clerk to contact La Farge with IG's contact details.

AB reported that he had received a letter regarding the article place in the Tempsford Times requesting that grass cuttings are disposed of using the recycling facilities and it was agreed that a reply be sent thanking the resident for looking after the land.

10 Parish Action Plan

DC's report

A steering group meeting was held on 2nd November and the all encompassing questionnaire is nearing completion. It is envisaged that it will be circulated to residents for completion in the New Year.

11 Children's Play Area

Section 106 Spend: Clerk reported that £2,988 has now been received.

It was agreed that a further grant of £500 be paid to the Ivel Sprinter.

Deep Water Signs: Clerk is to chase Martin Oake.

RoSPA Report: AB and Clerk to discuss progress on this issue and compose a letter to RoSPA.

12 Cemetery/Churchyard Matters

The clerk is to chase up Tom Bowen from Shuttleworth regarding the continuation of the work in the churchyard.

13 Finance

The clerk has been asked to contact the Public Work Loan Board to obtain a redemption figure for the current loan.

It was decided not to increase the local precept for the forthcoming year and will remain at £12,000.

Expenses			
Ref.	Payee/From	Detail	Total
47	Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreath	£25.00
50	Eon	Street Lights July to Sept 09	£69.66
52	Public Works Loan	Loan No 485518	£553.75
Grand Total			£648.41

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