

MILTON MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 13th December 2011
at 7.30 pm, Raynsford House

PRESENT: Mrs. Brenda Jenks, Chairman Mr. Brian Sumpton, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Janet Winchester Mr. Shaun Hope
Mr. Neil Jagger Mr. Roger Pinnock
Mr. David Green

ATTENDING: No members of the public

IN THE CHAIR: The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone

1. **QUESTION TIME for the public:** No attendees
2. **APOLOGIES:** NCC Cllr. B. Ingram (hospital), P. East, SNC Cllr. J. Eliot
3. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:**

S. Hope – Any matter relating to Grand Union Housing Association

4. **REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:**

No reports

5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

These had been previously circulated and were duly proposed, seconded and signed by the Chairman as a true record with the following amendment:

P.506 Should read Perry

6. **MATTERS FOR REPORT – arising from the Minutes:**

- **Water Leak – Green Street:** ‘phone call received from Anglian Water on 25/11/11 stating there had been 2 leaks outside 62 & 64 Green Street both of which had been repaired.
- **Dog Bins Management Contract 2012**
 - a) A.H. Contracts @ £3.97 per bin per week
 - b) Marcus Young @ £1.50 per bin per week for a 3 year contract
The Clerk has made extensive enquiries about the Marcus Young Company & has received a satisfactory response.
 - c) It was agreed by all to accept the Marcus Young contract for a three year period, starting in April 2012. Clerk to write to Marcus Young.
 - d) Clerk to inform A.H. Contracts that the PC would not be renewing its contract with them.
- **Grit Bins**
 - a) Bin in the High Street has had its lid repaired, but is still not right. Clerk to contact NCC
 - b) All bins have been filled for the winter weather.
- **Jitty by The Compass PH**
 - a) Weeds cleared by the landlord
 - b) Offer to keep the area clear accepted – Clerk to write & thank the landlord & accept his kind offer.
- **Collingtree Road markings**
 - a) Concern that the road surface markings are not imposing & appear to be missed by some drivers

- b) Clerk to write & thank NCC Cllr. B. Ingram for his help with the road markings
- **Sewage Works – Blisworth Road**
 - a) No action taken regarding implementing a 40mph speed limit as the site is not being used.
- **Luff** - It was agreed that the Parish Council will undertake a traffic /lorry check in January 2012
- **The Leys Field – Rights of Way** report received
 - a) Stile to be replaced
 - b) Fence to be removed
 - c) Ploughing – R of W will ask the land owner to reinstate the public footpath
 - d) Finger posts in Barn Lane to be replaced.
- **Neighbourhood Planning – Report by N. Jagger**
 - a) Has spoken to A. D’Arcy from SNC who advised to keep the Plan simple
 - b) Consultation with parishioners is important
 - c) Should consider putting the consultation questionnaire into the PC Newsletter
 - d) The Parish Plan will be of help
 - e) N. Jagger to formulate the parish questionnaire.
 - f) The 5 steps to finalising a Neighbourhood Plan was explained by the Clerk

7. PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS - for the following items:

a) **Planning** – applications received

S111414FUL	43 Green Street	Repair & replace pebble Dash render	PC No objections
S111417FUL	2 High Street	Change of use of garage To beauty & holistic room	PC Objections
S111470TCA	Tumbledown	Reduce height of Beech, Pollard Ash tree	PC No objections

b) **Finance:**

(i) Bank Balances	Current Account	£200.00
	Reserve Account	£55,531.97
(ii) Monies Received	NCC Mowing contribution	£579.77

(iii) Accounts to be paid

It was proposed by J. Winchester, seconded by R. Pinnock & agreed by all to pay the following invoices:

1470	HMRC	Clerk’s PAYE	53.20
1471	Village Gardening	Pound & Churchyard work	100.00
1472	A.H. Contracts	Emptying dog bins x 2 invoices	400.18 (VAT: 66.70)
1473	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services	45.00
1474	E.ON	Lighting supply November	78.73 (VAT: 3.75)
1475	E.ON	Lighting supply December	78.73 (VAT: 3.75)
1476	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	258.75
1477	B. Sumpton	B & Q hose pipe items	8.09
1478	E.ON	Lighting Maintenance to end Dec.	229.80 (VAT: 38.30)

NB: The Chairman checked the invoices against the cheques for payment.

NB: Bank Mandate – J. Winchester to finalise the matter

b) Community / Environment**(i) Village Park**

- **Maintenance**

Brambles – N. Jagger has asked R. Fletcher for a quote to cut them back @ £180 – agreed
Logs have been restored to their original position.

Gate

* N. Jagger to deal with the matter

* J. Brice reports that G. Treharne has mended the gate, but notes that the rabbit proof fencing has been removed & placed by the fence.

* No Parking sign for the gate – Clerk to check on status

Zip Wire

* N. Jagger to deal with the matter.

* Equipment Assessment – monthly report by S. Hope.

* Consideration to be given to purchasing a 6ft long bench to be put by the zip wire

- **Vandalism**

* Incident reported that trees had been chopped down and damage done to gates

* Matter reported to the police / PCSO Jen Harrison

* It was reported that an axe had been taken from a village youngster

* Note delivered to parishioners home regarding the Vandalism

* Youths visited the home of a Parish Councillor

* District Councillor contacted the Police & received a reply from Sgt. Kennett who informed her that there had been an amount of misleading information given to the Parish Council. However a number of youths had been spoken to.

* Further incidents of anti-social behaviour occurred in Rectory Lane with the narrow road being blocked by wheel bins & shopping trollies

* A further incident has taken place at the village park and has been reported to the Police. Incident No. NP/43974/11. Gate badly damaged.

* Damage report from S. Hope.

* Clerk to write to the Police Crime Prevention Team asking them to attend a future PC meeting

(ii) Neighbourhood Watch & Police matters**c) Parish Council Newsletter**

- To be a vehicle for the Neighbourhood Plan
- Fresh content needs to be considered
- Support Team: B. Jenks, J. Winchester & R. Pinnock
- Next deadline – 15th February 2012

d) Tree Group

- SNC Arboricultural Officer – a full time replacement officer is being advertised for
- Rectory Lane spinney – this is in the conservation area. Clerk to query why the trees have been allowed to be felled without planning consent.

e) Other Parish Matters

- * **Website** – Village hall is formulating a new website
- * **Remembrance Sunday** – Thanks have been sent to R. Ludlow & Mr & Mrs Perry
- * **Bequest fund** – Suggestion received from a parishioner for a heated bus shelter.

f) Councillors

* J. Winchester

(i) Barn conversion – newsletter needs to be included in the circulation

(ii) Bushes by 7 Lower Road need cutting back

* B. Sumpton

(i) Pheasant shoot in field to the rear of the houses on Towcester Road – concerned to note that shot has been found in gardens, on cars & in a bedroom

(ii) Clerk to write to Mr. Treharne

* D. Green – apologies for the January meeting

* N. Jagger – Rabbit wire has been replaced.

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

Letters Received:

1. SNC – Job Clubs information
2. Rights of Way, Allan Rigby
 - a) Finger posts in Barn Lane to be removed & replaced
 - b) Stile on KX13 to be replaced
 - c) Fence on KX13 to be removed
 - d) Ploughing of KX8 & KX7 – currently trying to contact landowner
3. Mrs. Borondy – Headstone for son – design was agreed, letter to be sent.
4. NCC – Minerals & Waste supplementary document can be viewed on the website
5. NCC – School Places
6. N. Jagger – trees in Chestnut Close, concern about safety.
 - a) SNC does not have an arboricultural officer at present.
 - b) Will be funding a full time officer in the new year
 - c) Cherwell DC – unable to help via the joint working arrangements as their officer is on maternity leave.
7. Milton Malsor Village Hall, J. Brice – there is to be a new hall website in early 2012.
8. SNC – tree preservation order 9/2011 confirmation
9. S. Hope, Rectory Lane spinney
10. Countryside Gardens – Mowing information
11. Email from Mrs E. Mair – bequest fund – support for a new wooden bus shelter in Lower road.

Letters sent:

1. R. Ludlow – Thanks for playing the Last Post at the Remembrance Service. Also enclosed donation to charity
2. E.ON street lighting – out of order lamps – Stockwell Road & Collingtree Road junction
3. Anglian Water – Green Street leak. **Reply received** – 2 leaks have been repaired
4. SNC, Andy D’Arcy – Parish Plan up dated
5. Stocksigns – Further request for No Parking sign. Matter now receiving attention
6. J. Brice – Village Hall website
7. PCSO Jen Harrison – PC concerns regarding anti-social behaviour in the village
8. South Northants Homes – query regarding new gate
9. Mr & Mrs Perry – Thanks for attending Remembrance Day, Laying the wreath & reading the names

9. CIRCULATED ITEMS:

SNC Job Club leaflets	Christmas card from Andrea Leadsom MP
NCALC Update	NCALC Training calendar
Neighbourhood Plans information	NRHA Annual report
The Miltonian	SNC Arts Events
Police Winter newsletter	

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm, wishing everyone a Happy Christmas.

10. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 10th January 2012

Signed: **Dated:**