

Great Milton Parish Council

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Minutes of the **Meeting of Great Milton Parish Council** held **Monday 16th December 2013** at **7.30pm** in the **Pavilion**:

Present: Cllrs. Stephen Harrod (Chair and District Councillor), Peter Fewell (Vice Chair) Doug Colley, Bill Fox, Gwen Harris, Rosalind Hayman and Christine Pepperell.

In Attendance: Helen Cherry (Clerk) fourteen members of the public.

176/13 Apologies for Absence

Caroline Newton

177/13 Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests for this Meeting

None

178/13 Co-option of Parish Councillor

It was RESOLVED to co-opt Gwen Harris as a new Councillor and the Declaration of Office was signed.

179/13 Planning Applications

A The following planning applications were considered:

P13/S3594/FUL – Crofts Furlong Farm Lower End Great Milton

Demolition of existing house and outbuildings. Erection of replacement dwelling and outbuildings (REJECTED). To note that the application was also withdrawn.

P13/S3631/LB – Le Manoir aux quat’ Saison Church Road Great Milton

Extension to existing gate to effect repair at bottom. New Aco drain across gateways. New stone panel on stone wall left hand of gateway (ACCEPTED).

P13/S3537/HH – Bell Lane Cottage, The Green Great Milton

Erection of a two storey extension with single storey attachments (ACCEPTED).

B Planning decisions received and any outstanding planning matters.

None

180/13 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was resolved to APPROVE the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 18th November 2013 as a true and accurate record.

181/13 Matters to Report

The District Councillor and County Councillor provided the meeting with updates from their respective councils to be published in The Bulletin.

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There were no reports of crime for Great Milton

182/13 Correspondence and Public Discussion

A request for a Grass cutting grant for St Mary's Church, Great Milton was received and councillors agreed to pay £620 as per the agreed Budget. (January 2014).

Correspondence regarding the changes to insurance to the car scheme were received and noted.

Great Milton affordable housing table was received from SODC, as far as the Parish Council were aware this document was circulated for information only but SH agreed to check with SODC.

Action: SH

183/13 Salt bin and additional salt

Councillors viewed several quotes and agreed to order a bin and salt (one for Fullers Field and another for Great Milton School) from www.gritbin.co.uk. A cheque was written and the Clerk is to arrange delivery of both items (£233.94).

Action: HC

184/13 Financial Resolutions

A To authorise cheques for payment:

Helen Cherry. Salary, Tax and Expenses. £375.79

Jonathan Dudley. Bulletin production. £357.00

Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd (Grass cutting at Recreation Ground – 23 Sept) £90.00

Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. (Grass cutting at Recreation Ground – 4 October) £90.00

Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. (Grass Cutting – 24 Sept) £228.00

Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. (Grass Cutting – 25 October) £90.00

Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. (Verges – 5 November) £228.00

B It was resolved to APPROVE the draft budget for 2014/15. Clerk to apply for the precept of £13,493 in January.

185/13 Village Maintenance

The Clerk had only received one quote from Jenks, regarding the removal/trimming of overgrown trees near Rose Cottage, Lower End. Councillors agreed that further quotes were needed and asked the Clerk to seek several more quotes in time for the January meeting.

Action: HC

186/13 Dog mess

It was considered as to whether the imposition of fines for dog owners who allow their pets to foul in public spaces, without clearing up afterwards, should be put in place or whether to prohibit dogs from the Recreation Ground.

CLlr SH agreed to write another piece in the GM bulletin urging dog owners to clear up afterwards but if the matter persisted then the next step would be to prohibit dogs from the Recreation Ground.

Action: SH

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187/13 Neighbourhood Action Groups (NAG)

The Clerk circulated an email to councillors in advance of the meeting in reference to the revival of monthly NAG meetings. After discussion, Councillors agreed that Great Milton Parish had received limited value from these meetings therefore will not be supporting this proposal. SH agreed to notify David Turner of their decision. **Action: SH**

188/13 Notice Board

The quotes that were received for a new notice board were considered to be too expensive. Therefore the Clerk was asked to get a quote from Colin Putt (village maintenance) to revamp the current notice board and fix/replace the lock on the map side and change the hinges so that the door opens side-ways. **Action: HC**

189/13 Any other business

- It was noted that Rosalind Hayman has now taken over management of Great Milton Parish Council website.
- Councillor Stephen Harrod will be attending a meeting about changes to planning on 25th January 2014.

The meeting closed at 21:20

The next meeting of Great Milton Parish Council will be held on **Monday 20th January 2014 starting at 7:30pm in the Pavilion.**

Signed:
