

Great Milton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Great Milton Parish Council held on Monday 21 January 2019 at 7.30pm in the Pavilion.

Present: Cllrs. S Harrod (Chairman), P Allen, P Fewell, C Deacon, G Bennet and G Harris.

In Attendance: Tim Darch (Clerk) and one member of the public.

01/19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received in advance from Cllr W Fox (Vice-Chairman).

02/19 Variation of order of business

Business was conducted as prescribed by the agenda.

03/19 Declarations of member's Interest (if any)

Cllr Clyde Deacon declared an interest in planning application P18/S4096/FUL (6 Thame Road Great Milton Oxford OX44 7HY) within Item 6/19 as it relates to his own property. Cllr Deacon removed himself from the meeting while discussions were ongoing relative to this specific application.

04/19 Matters to Report

The County Councillor's January report was received by the meeting.

05/19 Correspondence and Public Discussion

A member of the public sought an update on the recent break-ins around the village: no update has been received by the Parish Council, though it is aware that Manoir staff have been asked to keep an eye out for any suspicious activity.

06/19 Planning Applications

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To consider the following planning applications received from SODC.

P18/S4096/FUL (6 Thame Road Great Milton Oxford OX44 7HY). New detached dwelling.

There have been no objections from neighbours, and the Parish Council AGREED to FULLY SUPPORT this application.

P18/S4161/HH (Haddon, Lower End, Great Milton, Oxford OX44 7NL). First floor rear extension and internal alterations to provide additional bedroom, alterations to existing dormer window and external material alterations to rear ground floor. General principle to push out to the back and to add an upstairs bathroom and bedroom. There have been no objections from neighbours, and the Parish Council AGREED to FULLY SUPPORT this application.

P18/S4178/HH (Brannock, Lower End, Great Milton, Oxford OX44 7NL). Replacement garage, home workshop and store. Demolition of existing garage and stores. Subsequent amendment to increase size of garage, remove store and replace chimney with flue. The chimney was replaced with a flue on request of SODCs case officer for the application. There have been no objections from neighbours, and the Parish Council AGREED to FULLY SUPPORT this application.

P18/S3555/FUL (Hughendon Motors, London Road, Milton Common). To note amendment: additional information and amended acoustic fencing plan amplified by responses to the local highway and planning authorities and noise technical note dated 19/12/2018 received 19 and 20 December 2018. The Parish Council AGREED to FULLY SUPPORT this application.

P19/S0011/FUL (Crofts Furlong Farm, Lower End, Great Milton). Alterations to part of the existing equestrian building to form stables. There have been no objections from neighbours, and the Parish Council AGREED to FULLY SUPPORT this application.

P19/S0013/FUL (Welcome Break Oxford, Thame Road, Waterstock). 34-space extension to existing HGV park and associated works. The Parish Council AGREED that it had NO OBJECTIONS to this application.

- B To review any planning decisions received and any outstanding planning matters. P18/S3645/FUL and P18/S3646/LB (Monkery Farm Church Road Great Milton OX44 7PB) Conversion of a grade II listed barn into a dwelling (as amended by revised plans received 3 January 2019). Planning permission is GRANTED for this application.

07/19 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 17th December 2018 were signed and approved as an accurate record.

08/19 Financial Resolutions

A A payment of £4,000 to FCC Recycling (WREN) as a third-party contribution to 'unlock' grant funding for the Neighbours Hall refurbishment scheme in the form of a loan to the Neighbours Hall Committee was authorised. The loan is estimated to be repaid within twelve months.

B To authorise cheques for payment:
Tim Darch. Salary, Tax and Expenses. £438.82
Jonathan Dudley. Bulletin production December. £254.80
WREN: Third Party Contribution, Neighbours' Hall refurbishment. £4,000 (loan to be repaid by Neighbours' Hall Committee)
Green and Growing. Verge maintenance. £438

C A full bank reconciliation was received and the latest bank statement signed.

09/19 Parish Clerk and Councillors' update of matters in hand

- Drainage grips on Thame Road, Lower End, Sworford Lane and The Forties have been cleared and dug out.
- Most of the village's road markings have been re-lined (Lower End excepted: the Clerk will follow up on this if not actioned within a week or two).
- SODC has 'deep cleaned' the village's pavements. Litter-picking of Sworford Lane was also requested but this hasn't happened: the Clerk has made enquiries as to why.

10/19 Stiles: footpath from Pitts Green (Swarebrook) to Waterstock

There is no further progress to report on the issue of stile replacement/repair.

11/19 Tree survey

The recent tree survey raised few concerns, recommending some trimming here and there. It was AGREED to proceed with the required works.

12/19 Maple Tree: donation request

A request has been received for the annual donation towards the Maple Tree Children's Centre's operating costs for the 2019-20 financial year. It was AGREED to donate £500 in line with the amount budgeted at the next meeting of the Parish Council. The Children's Centre was thanked for the benefit it gives to parents and children resident in Great Milton.

13/19 South Oxfordshire District Council Local Plan 2034

The final version of SODC's Local Plan 2034 has been published. The publicity period for comment is open from 7 January to 18 February: documents can be viewed and comments submitted at www.southoxon.gov.uk/newlocalplan. The Parish Council will submit its own consultation response in due course.

14/19 Parking issues on The Green

Difficulties with access to driveways caused by inconsiderate parking have been reported by residents living near to the school. A suggestion was made by a resident to erect posts to demarcate driveways from the rest of the greens: the Parish Council has no objection to this but would not be able to fund the provision and installation of posts. The Parish Council will discuss the potential to use the recreation ground for parking with the Recreation Ground committee, ideally by means of a school employee unlocking and relocking the gate before and after school arrival and departure times.

15/19 Expressway update

An e-mail has been received from Wheatley Parish Council suggesting co-operation with them and other communities potentially affected by Expressway corridor B3 should it be chosen, along with a proposal for a meeting for the benefit of those living in the vicinity of corridor B3. The Parish Council AGREED to respond positively to the suggestion of co-operation but to investigate further the nature of the cooperation proposed.

16/19 Salvation Army clothing bin

The Salvation Army has offered to provide a recycling 'hopper' for textiles, which would be placed on Parish Council land. A similar facility benefitting the Air Ambulance has recently arrived in the pub car park: the Parish Council agreed that another clothing hopper was probably more than the village needed. It was therefore AGREED to decline the Salvation Army's offer.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

The next meeting of Great Milton Parish Council will be held on Monday 18th February starting at 7.30pm in The Pavilion.

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