

BUGBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Planning and Finance Meeting
held on Monday 10th August 2009 at 7.30 p.m. at the Community Centre, Bugbrooke.**

PRESENT:

Chairman – Councillor Philip
Bignell

Councillor John Bignell
Councillor Diana Cockrill
Councillor John Curtis
Councillor Ken Gardner
Councillor David Harries
Councillor David Jeffery

Councillor Alan Kent
Councillor Brian King
Councillor Paul Phillips
Councillor Cherry Pilcher
Councillor Neil Sturdy
Councillor Terry Ward

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Catherine Parry - Clerk to the
Council

4 Parishioners

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted from:

Councillor Brenda Inch
Councillor Dr Jonathan Shribman

Reason:

Illness
Family commitment

PC09/8/167 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Kent declared an interest in planning application S/2009/0641/P
Several councillors declared an interest in the prospective planning application for the MUGA, as members of the Community Centre, but it was accepted by the council that their interests were not prejudicial.

PC09/8/168 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

The meeting was adjourned between 7.32pm and 7.40pm to allow questions and comments from parishioners. The matters raised are listed in Appendix A attached.

PC09/8/169 **PLANNING**

A **MUGA** - A planning application and design and access statement have been drafted in respect of the MUGA. Copies had been circulated with the agenda. Kara Luck has indicated that she is happy with the planning application. The design and access statement has been sent to her for comment, following which the application will be made.

RESOLVED: That Kara Luck be requested to confirm that she is satisfied with the design and access statement, so that the planning application can be submitted.

ACTION: Clerk initially, and then Clerk liaising with Councillor Harries in submitting the planning application.

B **Mid Northants Parishes** – Councillor Curtis reported on the meeting which took place on 23rd July 2009 in respect of the Emergent Joint Core Strategy. This strategy, when adopted, will be the single most important document to govern development in and around Northampton for the period expiring in 2026. The view which seems to have gained favour is that the area to the south west of the M1 (which includes Bugbrooke) will be safe from Northampton expansion plans.

The consultation period in respect of this strategy will expire on 11th September, which pre-dates the next full meeting of the council. It is essential that responses are sent back to

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the Joint Planning Unit before that date.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That an early meeting of the Development Working party should be called with a view to formulating the council's responses to the document.
 2. That the clerk requests an extension of time for submission of the responses.
- ACTION:**
1. Clerk, liaising with Development Working Party.
 2. Clerk.

C **SNC** - There was to be a presentation at South Northants Council on 10th August, between 6.30pm and 9.00pm on strategic policy matters, including the draft Towcester and Brackley masterplans, Northants Core Strategy and housing strategy. None of the Councillors attended.

D **Consultation** - Northants Emergent Joint Core Strategy consultation is now running. The consultation period will expire on 11th September, before the next full meeting of the council. See above for action.

E **Churchyard Extension**

1. The Chairman reported, following the meeting of the working party on 30th July, that the working party had concluded that the Church Car park and field were not viable options for a new churchyard extension, owing to the existence of two sewers running through the field. The Millennium Green cannot be used, owing to the restrictions on its use in its trust deed.

2. The land at West End will be discussed at the next full meeting of the council, but in the meantime the clerk will complete a draft planning application.

RESOLVED It was proposed by Councillor Ward, seconded by Councillor Jeffrey and resolved by a majority (Councillor Curtis abstaining) that, in conjunction with the negotiations with the Jesus Fellowship, a formal approach should be made to the trustees of the Millennium Green that they ask for guidance from the Charity Commission as to whether it would be possible to amend the constitution of the Millennium Green to enable part of it to be used as a churchyard extension.

ACTION: Councillors Curtis, Cockrill and Harries would put the council's request to the trustees of the Millennium Green at their next meeting.

<i>Status</i>	App. No. & applicant	Location	Proposals	<i>PC comments or SNC decision</i>
<i>Info</i>	S/2009/0463 Northants CC	Campion School	Installation of double mobile classroom	<i>Permission granted</i>
<i>New</i>	S/2009/0641/P Wright & Brown	Land adjacent to 5 High Street	Erection of 3 dwellings, 1 detached and a pair of semis	<i>Support by the parish council provided that Highways have no objection</i>

PC/09/8/170 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

A **Monthly Budget Spent figures:**

Total anticipated expenditure for 2009-2010	£86,400.00
Total expenses to date (including the expenditure below) -	£13,331.58
Balance	£73068.42
Any overspend to date on individual items	N/A

B Current account balance (taking account of expenditure below) £1,257.84

C Deposit account balance as at today's date (less interest accrued) £52,063.13

D The playing field maintenance contractor has strongly recommended that the playing field would be kept in better condition if it were mowed weekly. The Community Centre committee have requested that the parish council contribute towards the cost of maintenance this year and budget for further regular contributions for the next financial year.

RESOLVED: After some discussion (Councillor Sturdy dissenting) it was, by a majority, resolved that £940.00 plus VAT would be contributed towards the cost of the recommended improved maintenance programme, and that regular contributions would be discussed when the budget is set for the next financial year.

ACTION: Clerk, on receipt of invoice addressed to Bugbrooke Parish Council, to enable VAT to be reclaimed.

E A letter has been received from the PCC requesting a donation towards the costs of paying electricity charges for the churchyard floodlighting and the light over the gateway.

RESOLVED: That a donation would be made towards this, in the sum of £200.00

ACTION: Clerk to draw a cheque for the relevant sum to be signed after this meeting and ratified at the September meeting.

F Accounts for payment –

Chq no	To whom	Service rendered	Amount	Vat
993	AH Contracts	Emptying of waste bins	£371.22	£48.42
-	E.On	July electricity charges (Invoice not received)	£297.06	£38.75
992	Mr A. Walton	Litter picking July - 4 weeks x 4 hours 16 hours @ £6.25 less 20% tax	£80.00	
999	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax (CP £91.20 & AW £20.00) NI (CP) £ .71	£111.91	
994	P W Warden	Mowing - 2 cuts	£552.00	£72.00
997	South Northants Council	Planning Application fee for MUGA	£167.50	
995	Falcon Copiers	Copying charges April – July 2009	£22.15	£2.89
S/O	Mrs C.J. Parry	Clerk's salary	£364.47	
996	Anglian Water	Allotment water rates January/July 09	£48.74	
991	Mrs Rose Berkshire	Reimbursement of cost of Neighbourhood Watch signs	£47.44	£6.19
998	NCALC	Fee for Planning Aid Seminar	£11.00	
1000	St Michael & All Angels	Contribution towards Church external lighting	£200.00	

RESOLVED: That all the accounts presented for payment be approved.

ACTION: Clerk.

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**DATE OF NEXT ORDINARY MEETING:-
Monday 14th September 2009**

*There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at
8.44pm*

End of Minutes

CHAIRMAN:.....
P J Biggall

DATE:.....
14/9/2009

APPENDIX A

MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC QUESTION TIME 10TH AUGUST 2009

1. Mrs Wright (one of the joint applicants for planning permission for the land adjacent to 5 High Street) explained her interest in the land the subject of the planning application, and the history of the site. An application had previously been approved for a single dwelling, a higher number not being appropriate at the time, owing to the highway constraints. The traffic calming measures had encouraged Mrs Wright and her co-applicant to consider a higher density scheme. The applicants have been told by the Highways department that there would be no objections on highway grounds to the proposed scheme. The applicants believe that the scheme will be in keeping with the other dwellings in the immediate vicinity.

