



## LAVENDON PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Old School Building, High Street, on Monday, 12 July 2010 at 7.30 pm.

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Present: Mrs K Porter [Chair], Mrs June Underwood, Mr D Tomkins, Mr J Edwards  
Mrs E Gillies [Clerk], Miss M Franklin [RFO]  
Cllr P Geary, 3 members of the public  
Apologies: Mr A Morley, Mrs B Shaw [Vice Chair], Cllr D Brock

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1. The Chair welcomed all those present and apologies were noted.
2. **The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14 June 2010 were resolved.**
3. **Declaration of Interests on Agenda items** - none
4. **Finance Report:**
  - a. Items submitted for payment in July were resolved
5. **Accounts to 30.06.10**
  - a. Summary accounts with supporting receipts/payments data
  - b. Projections for quarter to 30.09.10
  - c. Comments by councillor / approval of accounts to 30.06.10

The council resolved that the earmarked sum of £2,000 for a VAS sign be moved back into available funds.

Mr Tomkins did the internal audit of accounts and these were found to be in order and resolved by the council.

Points a, b and c are all resolved.

### 6. **Current position on banking, forward instruction**

The council resolved the transfer of £35,000 from Barclays Bank to the new Nat West Bank account. The RFO explained that a second account would need to be set up to keep the Clerk's gratuity separate. If a second account is not possible, the money would have to remain with Barclays.

**7. Other Ongoing Issues:**

a. *Landscaping* – All locations for grit bins have now been resolved with the exception of Castle Road. Several residents are to discuss where it is best sited and get back to the council with the outcome.

The Clerk spoke with the resident who owns the Walnut tree and has put them in contact with a tree officer at Milton Keynes, to see if they can agree a course of action for the branches hanging over the footpath.

Milton Keynes Council will be doing a ‘Dog Poo Pit Stop’ at the Playing Field on 5 August, where they will be handing out poo bags, advice on being responsible dog owners and doing spot checks to ensure owners are cleaning up after their pets.

b. *Cemetery – update* – Change of Use has now been received from Milton Keynes Planning. Confirmation of the Boundary Review is now expected at the end of July, at which point the Council can proceed with the legal issues.

c. *Allotments – updates* – Mr Morley and Mr Farrar have agreed to mark out the allotment plots, but the ground is too overgrown and hard at present. The Clerk is to obtain a quote for digging over the site once the ground has had some rain.

The Clerk is to write to the current allotment holders to request their presence at a meeting on 7 September 2010, at the Pavilion. This will be to discuss any possible rent increases, assigning a spokesperson to liaise with the Parish Council and any other issues.

d. *Pavilion – updates* - Mr Tomkins informed the council that he had read through and spoken with the brokers on the issue of liability insurance when employing a cleaner at the Pavilion. The outcome was that the Parish Council is covered under the current policy. The Chair is to go through the details of invoice sheets and working hours with the cleaner. The first two sessions will be a thorough clean and thereafter 1 hour on a Sunday. These points were resolved.

**8. The Old School – funding for tarmac areas, back and front of building**

The council were informed that at the recent OFSTED inspection. The degradation of the tarmac area at the back of the building was highlighted. and is now in serious need of resurfacing.

The Clerk will contact Highways at MKC and ask if they can possibly do this at the same time as they resurface Olney Road. If this is not possible the Clerk will obtain quotes for the work.

**9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.**

**10. Matters Arising:**

a. *for information* . Cllr Geary informed the Parish Council that new legislation is being brought in later this year for traveller sites. This would not affect the outcome of any possible appeal at the Lavendon site.

b. *for future agendas* – Planning

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed .....Chairman

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