



## LAVENDON PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Monthly & Finance Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Old School Building, High Street, on Monday, 8 June 2009 at 7.30 pm.

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Present: Mrs K Porter [Chair], Mrs B Shaw, Mr A Morley, Mr A Skinner  
Mrs E Gillies [Clerk]  
Cllr D Brock, Cllr P Geary, 3 members of public  
Apologies: Mr D Tomkins, Mrs P Butler, Mrs J Underwood

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1. The Chair welcomed all present and the apologies for absence were noted
2. The Minutes of the Monthly and Financial Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 May 2009 were resolved.
3. **Declaration of Interests on Agenda items** There were none
4. **Other Ongoing Issues:**
  - a. *Landscaping* – Playing field & Parish Field – The Council finally received a letter from the Diocese, stating that they were no nearer gaining a decision on the request for additional allotment land at the Olney Road site. Meanwhile the Clerk ascertained that the Parish Field site can be used as allotments and does not require a ‘change of use’. It is to be assessed for suitability of use as allotment space and reported back at the July meeting.
  - b. *Cemetery* – A letter has been received from the Cold Brayfield Estate which will need consideration by the council and a reply sent.
  - c. *Football Club* – update – the pitch re-alignment problem is still ongoing. Quotes are to be sought to move and re-site play equipment to allow for the suggested change. The council resolved to make a decision at the July meeting on how to proceed.
  - d. *‘Lavendon’ entry signs* – update – a draft drawing has been submitted to the council and is now being re-drawn for final consideration.
  - e. *Old School / over door canopies* – update – the requested CAD drawing could not be supplied. The council resolved to leave this in abeyance for the present.

**5. Parking**

Complaints regarding safety of pedestrians trying to cross the area between Rectory Orchard and the Church Gate are growing. The increasing number of cars and delivery vans all along this part of the road and on the pavement is making it hazardous to cross, especially for children and mums with buggies to and from school. It is also making it very difficult for vehicles trying to get in and out at the High Street and Olney Road junction. Milton Keynes Council is to be contacted in an effort to try and get some enforcement put into action along this area.

**6. Website** - The council resolved that Mr White would purchase the new domain name on the Council's behalf and submit the invoice for this, along with invoices for the monthly running costs.

**7. Finance Report:**

a. The council were informed that one cheque had already been sent for the Insurance payment and an identical amount transferred to cover this. The Finance records will be adjusted accordingly. Items submitted for payment in June were resolved.

**8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.**

Q. If the cost of moving the football pitch and play equipment is to be so costly, why can't the money be spent on other village amenities?

A. At present the council are looking at options and a way forward but no firm decision has been reached.

**9. Matters Arising:**

a. *for information* – the fence at Doddshill Play area has been damaged and needs to be fixed.

b. *for future agendas* - Pavilion

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed .....Chairman

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