

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MOGGERHANGER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16TH MARCH 2013 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors Hall, Anderson, Dean, Bashford, Smith, Carter, Mease (Chairman)
Central Beds Councillor Mrs Turner, 4 members of the public and the Clerk.

1) Apologies were received from Councillor Barrance and Mrs Schofield.

2) Declaration of Interest.

Mr Anderson regarding application for White Gables Farm.

3) Minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2013 :

The minutes had previously been circulated were proposed by Mrs Carter seconded by Mr Anderson and agreed.

4) Planning and Highway reports.

The Planning appeal for 95 Blunham Road for conversion of existing four bedroom dwelling to four one bedroom flats was allowed.

Applications considered:

Land at White Gables Farm.....erection of office building and change of use of land and building to a mixed use of land and building for horticulture and general haulage
(Retrospective application)

39 Blunham Road.....single storey side extension.

6 Bedford Road....change of use from 3 bedroom dwelling to 4 self contained flats. Two storey side and rear extension to rear single storey rear extension.

Land to rear of 26/28 Blunham Road.....outline application for the demolition of hut and erection of one dwelling.

The Old Vicarage.....double garage and store.

Highways... The VAS sign was now in place after numerous complaints had been made over nearly two years and finally to the Senior Liaison Officer. A number of lights were not working on the A 603 reference numbers had been forwarded but with no result and little cooperation from highways, despite work was meant to be carried out within 10 days of notification. Mrs Turner asked for all the relevant details of the problems to be passed to her.

SPEEDWATCH has been in operation for one hour each day. 150 vehicles had been logged in two hours on the A 603 a busy road. There are now 14 trained Speedwatch operators.

5) Central Beds Report:

One councillor , the Clerk and Mrs Turner attended the Scrutiny Committee meeting when the proposed sites for Gypsy and Travellers was discussed.

The meeting was heavily attended by residents from many parishes. Before lunch residents and village representatives were allowed to speak for 3 minutes per person. One resident and the Clerk spoke on behalf of Moggerhanger. After lunch Ward councillors were also given time to speak on behalf of their Wards, Mrs Turner spoke on behalf of Moggerhanger. The committee considered the proposals electing 9 site from the 11 that were on the table. Fortunately the site in Blunham Road Chalton was one of the sites not chosen at this time. The remaining 9 would be put before the Executive at a later date.

6) Finance:

Payments:

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| Anglian Water Pavilion water supply | £32.91 | Andy Muskett | Light Main | £305.04 | |
| D Granger | Grass cutting | £296.71 | BATPC | Subs | £133.00 |
| E ON | Power | £180.92, £96.98, £87.59 | HMRC PAYE | | £146.21 |
| Clerk | Admin/Exps/sal | £674.78 | | | |

Payments were proposed by Mrs Carter seconded by Mr Dean and agreed.

Quotes for Grass cutting were received from DJ Granger and for Street lighting Maintenance from Andy Muskett and Mr Taylor . Mr Anderson proposed that the quotes from the councils current providers be accepted this was agreed.

A request was received from Link- a- Ride for a donation, this was discussed and a donation of £100,00 was proposed by Mrs Carter seconded by Mr Dean and agreed. A request was also received from a person who was proposing to have a Memorial erected at Tyne Cot in Belgium for the Bedfordshire Regiment soldiers lost in the First World War. Mr Anderson proposed a donation of £50.00 this was seconded y Mr Mease but lost on a vote.

7) Correspondence:

Additional information re the telephone box.

Preen Re use advising they were continuing their furniture collection.

All other information will be circulated.

The meeting closed. The next meeting would be the Annual General Meeting on 15th May 2013.