



### Flooding on Brook Lane

I passed on the Council's comments on flooding coming from run off in Brook Lane.

### Community Forum

At the Community Forum on December 5<sup>th</sup> one of the SNT priorities was agreed as targeting Commuting Traffic in villages.

Cllr Wright filed the following report:-

### Local Development Plan/Core Strategy.

Changes to the Core Strategy regarding development are currently under further consideration and modification with two sites at Long Itchington and Southam now under consideration, downgrading of housing numbers at Gaydon/Lighthorne Heath/Lighthorne being a distinct possibility if the former sites are included in the Local Development Plan. The Plan/Core Strategy has been changed to run from 2011 to 2031, this will assist in addressing the current shortfall of the 5 Year Housing Land Supply, and with modifications coming forward shortly, it is predicting only 1.2 years shortfall including a 1 year buffer rounding up to 6 years (giving a 1 year surplus as required by government.

### Council Tax 2014/2015

Cabinet meets next Monday to consider the Capital and Revenue Budget for 2014/15 with its considered recommendations going forward to Overview & Scrutiny Committee prior to the Full Council Budget Meeting on 24th February. Government has announced plans to provide additional further resources in 2014/15 and 2015/16 to enable local Authorities to freeze Council Tax.

Cabinet proposals are to be considered on the basis of supporting a freeze of Council Tax for both 2014/15 and 2015/16 resulting in grant of £61,000, this would ensure Council Tax remains at £128.05 for a Band D property (the tax calculation basis) for 2014/15 and provisionally for 2015/16. For the year 2016/17 and beyond the assumed level of increase in Council Tax is 2% per annum.

## **6. County Councillors' Report**

Cllr Kendall was unable to attend but filed the following report:-

### Budget

Discussions are under way now at the County with regard to the budget. Given the council is run by a minority administration, this will no doubt be an interesting process, and I will be able to provide more information at your next meeting.

### Speeding/Parking

Following on from a request from James, I approached the police via the SNT regarding people parking on the zig zags outside the school. The PCSO said they had no official plan to enforce the, but would make a few visits to encourage the people to park more responsibly in future,

### Flooding

The issue of flood measure in brook lane continues but I hope to have more progress by next meeting.

## **7. Warwickshire College Report**

Mike Bailey reported that he would be arranging to get the Jubilee tree from Pershore very soon. The College had been hit with the rain, but fortunately this time only the construction building was flooded. There had been a case of poaching on site before Xmas. The recent open weekend was successful, and the lambing weekend would be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> March. The footpath entrance from the Newbold Road to Ashorne has been improved. The College were still in discussions with David Wilson homes about the triangle field development. Cllr Wright stated DW homes were due to meet the District council soon.

## **8. Sub Committee Reports and General Updates**

### **a) Playing Field – Cllr Cleeton**

Cllr Cleeton reported she had been in contact with a number of suppliers to send brochures for new equipment. She also stated that entrance gate way was still poor. It was agreed at the last meeting that Cllr Jackson would seek a quote. *Cllr Jackson to get quote.*

### **b) Planning – Cllr Hancock**

- i) College Triangle Field Update**
- ii) Dog Kennels update – SR**
- iii) Core Strategy Update**

Mike Bailey had previously updated the meeting on the Triangle Field and Cllr Wright on the Core Strategy which would soon go out again for consultation. Cllr Routly confirmed the kennels appeal had been granted in favour of the appellant. A number of conditions had been imposed. It was resolved to write to SDC to obtain a copy of the kennel management plan that they will operate to, also to get confirmation from SDC that they would ensure the building meets the sound proofing requirement using an acoustic expert. It was also resolved to write to SDC Chief Executive to register the discontent with the way the planning department represented themselves at the hearing. *Clerk to write.*

### **c) Speed awareness – Cllr Gordon**

- i) Speed reduction – police / gun - feedback**
- ii) Speed reduction – school zig –zag sign**

Cllr Gordon was not present , but had confirmed by email that whilst parking on the zig zags was not a criminal offence the Police would look to remind drivers it was not sensible to park outside a school. The Cllrs requested that Cllr Gordon make further enquiries about the speed camera enforcement, in particular on Brook lane.

### **d) Village Appearance – Cllr Keavy**

- i) Brook Lane verges and drainage - All**

Cllr Kendall confirmed in his report he was following up the drainage issues.

### **e) Footpaths and Trees – Cllr Morgan**

- i) Jubilee Tree**

Cllr Morgan requested that Mike Bailey contacts him when the tree is ready for planting.

Cllr Cleeton requested a quote be sought for improving the steps from the playing field footpath into the road. *Clerk to get quotes.*

**f) Village Hall, Church and College – Cllr Cleeton / All**

Mr Hethrington was present, he confirmed new tables, chairs and curtains were being ordered. Cllr Cleeton also requested that Hall committee meeting should be held in the hall and advertised for members of the public to attend.

Cllr Cleeton confirmed the Mr Ash memorial stone was in the church and discussions were ongoing about its final location.

**9. New items**

**a. Community Forum Feedback**

Cllr Cleeton reported that the SNT Police team was represented by Jim Butler and Richard Grove, and they stated they wished to re-invigorate the Neighbourhood Watch, and were very keen to have all crime reported no matter how minor.

Bus services may get cut again, but the Community Links service may become more flexible.

**b. Oil Syndicate**

Cllr Routly stated that WRCC ran a heating oil syndicate and details were on the website, local Moreton Morrell schemes were also run in Moreton Paddox and Middle Town and achieve similar prices to WRCC. The contact for Middle Town is James Gordon.

**10. Planning**

**a. New Applications to consider at this meeting**

13/03284/FUL Construction of a farm dwelling and change of use of existing log cabin into farm shop and farm café. Galileo Farm On The Hill, Fosse Way, Moreton Morrell, Warwick CV35 9DF.

After discussion including members of the public it was resolved unanimously to make the following response:-

The Parish Council has considered this application and objections for the following reasons:-

- 1) The application is so poor and lacking in detail that it is impossible to evaluate against planning policy. The plans have no dimensions other than overall scale that would imply the dwelling is in excess of 4,000 square feet, which cannot be justified. No details of drainage, external materials, site access, parking, flood risk (its within 50 metres of a river) etc
- 2) There are no details of the proposed cafe, parking, traffic movements, access from the Fosse etc.
- 3) The Fosse site access is on a very dangerous brow of a hill, there is even a sign outside the entrance stating there have been 10 casualties in the 1/2 mile stretch in the last 3 years. Highways must be consulted.
- 4) Whilst a civil matter it has come to the attention of the Council there is a legal covenant over the land prohibiting any permanent development. Would the applicant and council be in breach if permission is granted. Also the proposal cannot be financially viable if it cannot legally operate.

- 5) As a result of the application it must be noted that the current temporary dwelling planning permission has expired and should be removed.
- 6) The applicant states there is not a suitable alternative, yet Glebe farm and shop are located only 1 mile to the north on the Fosse and is for sale.
- 7) A full financial viability study needs to be undertaken to justify a dwelling even with agricultural restriction especially as it is in the Feldon Landscape area,

**b. Decisions of committee since last meeting for information**

13/02932/TREE T1 pine: fell. Linden House, Moreton Morrell, Warwick CV35 9AN. **No Repts.**  
 13/02855/LDE Use of building known as The Lodge as separate dwelling for continuous period of 4 years or more Abbotscroft Fosse Way Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9DF. **No Repts.**

**c. District Decisions for information**

13/02932/TREE T1 pine: fell. Linden House Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9AN. **Deemed consent.**

**11. Finance**

**1. Approval of payments**

The following payments were proposed by Cllr Cleeton seconded by Cllr Keavy, and approved unanimously.

1.	EON Street Lights elec – Nov/Dec	£78.24
2.	Village Hall meeting rent Jan	£15.00
3.	P Routly Salary – Jan/ Feb via D Tonks DD	£680.80
4.	P Routly Expenses – Nov/ Dec	£118.17

**2. Receipts**

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

1.	Allotment rent	£180
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**3. Approval of 14/15 Budget**

The Clerk had pre-circulated the proposed budget, which included a 2% increase in precept to £20800. After discussion Cllr Cleeton proposed the budget be accepted including increase in precept, this was seconded by Cllr Keavy and carried unanimously.

**4. Approval of 14/15 Precept of £20800**

In line with the budget Cllr Morgan proposed the precept be set at £20800, this was seconded by Cllr Keavy and carried unanimously. Clerk to inform SDC.

**12. Correspondence**

None that had not been circulated by email

**13. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items**

Cllr Cleeton suggested that future capital projects should be discussed at the next meeting, and also the situation of the dog warden.

**14. Any other business allowed by the Chairman as Urgent**

None.

**15. Date of next meeting**

The next council meeting will be held in the Moreton Morrell Village Hall on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.