

Laverstoke and Freefolk Parish Council Minutes 17th June 2014

Public Time:

Members of the Public attended the meeting and had the following comments:

- a. In the Basingstoke Gazette there was an article about the gardens at Manor Cottages.
Action: Clerk given copy for information
- b. Tree has blown over in Freefolk by the Memorial – tree been removed but branches close to footpath.
- c. Could the greenery be cut back between Laverstoke and Freefolk?
Action: Landowner already been asked and they have been extremely helpful but have got to wait for nesting birds before can cut down greenery.
- d. Could the bus shelter by Laverstoke Mill have seating?
- e. Good news about wind turbines at present – all three planning authorities involved voted against the wind turbines.
- f. Restaurant/bistro at Laverstoke Mill – still progressing. It is not going to be ready for the time of opening. More news at July meeting.
- g. Priors Lane – has been resurfaced and relined. The road from the turning from the B3400 to the pub has not been resurfaced but lines put in.
Action: Clerk to enquire.
- h. Dropped kerb at Watch Lane still waiting to be done
Action: Clerk to enquire
- i. Bus Travel scheme – CJ has spoken to Community Transport. People travelling on Buses 86 and 87 have been given survey forms but not those on the Community Transport bus.
- j. At previous meetings fundraising for the playground has been discussed. Parishioner feels that Freefolk Car park should be the next project undertaken when the Community Centre is complete.
Action : Clerk to ensure Freefolk Car Park is on agenda each month.
- k. Garage at Manor cottages
Action: Clerk to report back to resident
- h. Price per hour for hiring Community Centre not mentioned in News and Views – cost to be £12 per hour during week and £15 per hour at weekends. Suggestion made that it be advertised in the Church magazine.
- i. Parking at Laverstoke Lane
Parking has become far more congested at the top end of Laverstoke Lane in the last 12 months. Residents of Marsden Court are parking in Laverstoke Lane and people are having to carry heavy shopping across from the car park as they can't park near to their house.
Action: Parish Council to send a polite letter to residents of Marsden Court and at the top end of Laverstoke Lane.
One suggestion was that if BS could move their fence line inwards slightly then there would be a few spaces available there. BS will consider suggestion. BS also offered to mark out parking spaces in Kingfisher/Community centre Car Park which the PC agreed would be very much appreciated.

1. Bombay Sapphire

Many thanks to Bombay Sapphire for the wonderful job they did of painting the community Centre – it was very much appreciated. The Parish Council are also very grateful that Bombay Sapphire are also going to do another day and do some planting at the front of the building – dates to be confirmed.

Parking sign at Marsden Court – Good news is that where the sign is needed is not part of Highways and so does not need planning permission. JS will email WB with wording. Update at next meeting.

BS happy to pay for sign and put up but BS nor PC can be responsible for policing it.

2. Apologies for Absence : Clare Albert

In attendance: Caroline Jolly, Richard Waters, Nixie Graham, Charles Seligman, Bob Hough, Councillor Paula Baker, Rachel Abbott (Clerk)

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3. Sign and approve minutes from meeting on the 13th May 2014.

Approved

4. Election of Vice Chair

Clare Albert has agreed to be Vice Chair
Proposed by CJ , seconded by RW.
Declaration of office to be signed.

5. Maintenance

a. Noticeboard – Freefolk

Action: BH has repaired.

b. Soakaways and vegetation along pavement in Freefolk.

Soakaways are being cleared by HCC. Landowner is going to clear vegetation when nesting birds have gone.

c. Surface of footpath before bridge in Freefolk

Reported to HCC – HCC will take a look but as it is a light trafficked path have advised that unlikely any action will be taken.

d. BT Manhole Cover

Reported to HCC who have contacted BT to repair.

e. Paving slabs along front of Memorial Cross.

Action: Clerk to enquire to who is responsible.

f. Street lighting of Paths

Reported to HCC. Responsibility of SSE which HCC has reported problem to.

g. Wooden rails at Marsden Court

Action: CJ to speak to BS.

h. Parish Gate

To be discussed at next meeting.

6. Community Centre

Official opening is on 11th July 2014. Residents from Laverstoke and Freefolk will be invited and Bombay Sapphire will be serving delicious cocktails. There will be a bouncy castle and food served.

6.1 Name

It is estimated that it is going to cost at least £14K per year to run the building. It is important that we create a brand for the building. Feedback from village was that not Community Centre or village Hall. Several options discussed.

Action: Councillor's to think of suggestions. BH offered to work on the logo.

7. Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

Standing orders had been circulated and no changes made. Financial Regulations had been updated in line with model financial regulations updated by NALC bringing in payment using internet banking.

Motion: to adopt updated Financial Regulations and continue with Standing Orders with no changes. All in favour.

8. Freefolk Parish Car park

Once the Community Centre is complete, this is the next challenge to come up with a resolution.

9. Playground

Section 106 money is still available from sale of village hall for play areas and open spaces. To be considered at a later meeting.

10. Finance

Financial Summary May to June 2014

Treasurer account	Balance on 16/06/2014	£ 1379.81
BMM account	Balance on 16/06/2014	£7717.80

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Internet payment

01.06.14	HMRC	£ 5.80
01.06.14	Newsletter – May	£ 75.00
01.06.14	Clerk Salary and expenses May 2014	£ 322.56
03.06.14	Kieron Beattie	£ 230.40

Cheques paid in

05.05.14	Garage Rental	£60.00
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Community Centre Account Balance on 16/06/2014 £35518.15

Paid in

20.05.14	Kitchen Appliance Reimbursement	£ 4.78
30.05.14	HMRC VAT repayment	£ 64.09
03.06.14	BDBC Grant and s106 for curtains	£ 11892.00

Paid out – direct debit

16.05.14	E.ON	£ 46.36
30.05.14	E.ON	£ 15.23
30.05.14	E.ON	£ 10.43

Internet Payment

20.05.14	Faulkner West & Co	£2400.00
20.05.14	Hampshire County Supplies	£ 138.94
05.06.14	T&D Barrs Limited	£14000.00
11.06.14	Paint	£ 553.57
11.06.14	Paint	£ 72.77
11.06.14	Curtains poles	£345.20

10.2 Grants

Grant application not yet received yet.

11. Correspondence

11.1 The Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council (Temporary Road Closure) (Various Roads (Number 5) Hampshire Order 2014.

11.2 Basingstoke Passenger Transport Forum

11.3 Test Valley Passenger Transport Forum

12. Planning

13/02785/FUL Laverstoke Mill, London Road, Laverstoke, Whitchurch

Change of use of buildings 4,21 and 22 to farm shop/bistro/restaurant with associated facilities and creation of external refuse store. Creation of overflow car park and reinstatement of link structure between building 14 and 21/22. Installation of external fire escape to building 22 and installation of external extract vents to building 21.

No objections

Date of next meeting : 15th July 2014 at 8.00pm at the Community Centre

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