

Minutes for the meeting of Moulsoe Parish Council held on
Tuesday 8 September 2020, remotely via Zoom meeting at 8pm

Present Councillors: Chair Steve Waters (SW); Deputy Chair Nigel Richards (NR);
Belinda Oakley-Holton (BOH); John Hamilton (JH); Chris Oakley-Holton
(COH) *from 21.00*

Ward Councillors: Peter Geary

Public: One resident

Clerk: Kay Hamilton (KH)

Prefix for all minute items **2009/**

As a remote meeting, any documents requiring a signature will be signed after the meeting at the earliest opportunity.

- 1. To Receive Apologies for Absence:** Apologies received from Ward Councillors Keith McLean & David Hosking
- 2. Disclosures of Interests:** SW employer hosts the domain for the village website. NR is parish council representative on the Moulsoe Community Association (MCA)
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Council **APPROVED** the minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 14 July 2020
- 4. Public Representations:** A resident is concerned about the structural impact the increased volume of HGV traffic is having on their property. The speed and weight of the vehicles does cause the house to shake. During the lock down period it does seem that the speed has increased. Ward Councillor Geary suggested that an email to MK Council (MKC) from the resident making MKC aware of the issue. Other courses of action to consider could include placing a data logger on the road for a period of time, an origin and destination survey, this will require pulling HGV s off the road so a safe place would have to be allocated, also if residents have contacted insurers then ask their insurers to inform MKC. Data is crucial to help with the issue. Ward Councillors would like to be copied in on any emails to MKC. NR said there had been a traffic study done in the past, if this can be located it would be useful. The construction in Cranfield is possibly adding to the increase. SW the council in the past have tried to get a weight restriction but not been successful, the more residents that can email MKC with there concerns the more effective it would be. Clerk to provide resident with contact details for MKC and Ward Councillors.
- 5. Ward Councillor's Report:**
MK East – not a lot has changed and things are still proceeding
Tickford Fields – outline planning permission for 900+ houses, detailed planning will deal with detailed design
Travellers in Sherington – have now been moved on
White Paper - it will make it much clearer on a SPD and how planning documents are put together. Consultation periods may be cut so will have to be very aware to check details. MK East will be settled before this system is in place.
Tip Booking – this system is likely to stay in place for the foreseeable future.
- 6. Police Report:** Increase in hare coursing incidents in the area, but no reported crimes since the July meeting.

7. Parish Council Business & Matters Arising from Last Minutes:

7.1 Planning

20/01881/EIASCO – this was for notification purposes only.

20/02152/FUL – Council had no comments on this application.

7.2 Newport Pagnell Local Plan – Council has reviewed this and had no further comments to make.

7.3 Resident concerns raised and discussed in item 4.

SID is back from Astwood, so that will be put up. SW still hoping to get the other ones working. New batteries are £100 so the units will be used until they fail.

Sentinel – SW will be speaking to Arlene as to who is now responsible for this.

M1 – traffic using Moulsoe when M1 closed or incident. Some cars are speeding through.

Costain Site – Clerk still waiting to hear from planning enforcement. Clerk to speak to David Hosking for any updates. NR spoken to Arlene and if there is a clear hazard to traffic the police will get involved. Council concerned with winter approaching the issue will get worse again.

7.4 Playing Field – as there is not a lot of activity at the hall due to Covid 19, council will discuss this again in the January meeting. MCA are not accepting bookings for large parties at the moment and they will review this in December

Dogs are still being exercised on the field despite the signs and have been challenged.

7.5 Parish Office – this is to be deferred to the January meeting

7.6 Hire of football pitch – SW has been unable to speak to the Coach concerned so far. MCA point of view it may be a problem if they need access to the hall for toilets as it would impact on Saturday bookings.

7.7 Provision of Allotments – Council has been approached by a resident if there was a possibility for allotments. Clerk had explained to the resident that the council do not own any land. NR was then contacted on the same subject. Carington Estates may be able to offer some land and although the council support the idea of it, for a parish of our size it isn't economically viable or operationally viable. The possible area will also impact on the residents that will be then looking at the allotments. Also there is a concern of the longevity of the project. Another avenue would be to contact the Moulsoe Gardening group and see if they know of anyone may need help with a large plot and consider sharing with those interested in the allotments.

7.8 Dog Fouling – A complaint has been received from a resident, the area concerned is believe to be the area of field that is left to grass between the playing field and houses on Cranfield Road. The footpath runs along the hedge on that part of land. Any fouling on anything other than that footpath is being done on farming land and not part of the footpath network. This limits what can be done and also what can be reported to MKC. Ward Councillor advised MKC do have a team that deal with this the Environment Crime Team, if there is a consistent problem, they can install CCTV to monitor the

problem. Phil Ayles may have some information that would also help. We could provide free bags, but only helps those who would usually pick up the mess. Rights of Way are due to send out signage for the way markers. Clerk to put a reminder on Facebook and noticeboards.

7.9 Together We Can – Council reviewed the document.

8. Parish Councillor Reports:

JH attended the Planning Briefing meeting and summarised what was discussed. MKC have sent through the information from the meeting, it will have relevance to planning at some point, but from a Parish Council view this information is more relevant to Planning departments at this time.

COH raised the issue of the number of weeds on the paths and kerbs throughout the village. It was thought that MKC now only an annual weed killing, Clerk will check with MKC and if there are any alternative solutions to deal with the weeds other than using MKC contractors.

Travellers – with recent activity in Sherington, the vulnerability of the playing field and hall was discussed.

There also seems to be some more discarded items that may need some MK Council intervention as before.

NR – the closed bridleway bridges are due to be fixed within the next few weeks. A Countryside clear up campaign has been publicised

Motorway refuges – NR has queried the spacing of the refuges within the new smart motorway system, and has been informed that they do meet the requirements

9. Finance & Administration

9.1 Accounts

9.1.1 SW confirmed Barclays Account Balance of £10418.74

9.1.2 Council **APPROVED** the accounts as at 31 August 2020

9.1.3 Council **APPROVED** payments for

Clerks Salary for July and August £226.34

Zoom subscription fee for August £14.39 (Council will cancel this subscription)

9.2 Correspondence:

Clerk had received an email from Emily Darlington regarding the attendance from Moulsoe at the Parishes Forum. She seemed to have incorrect information as we had attended the July meeting. Clerk has replied to her with the correct information. Emily would also like some feedback from the council as to what we would like to see at Parishes Forum. Council will send any comments to the Clerk to be forwarded on to Emily.

Future Meeting Schedule – Council approved the schedule.

Meeting Closed 22.05

Signed

Dated

Next Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 10 November 2020 8pm