

a draft to present to council.

11/93 Traffic Restrictions – Phase 1 has now been implemented and a revised plan for phase 2 will soon be presented for public consultation.

Councillor James is concerned that on this plan no yellow lines are shown on the eastern side of Old Station Road (OSR) which would potentially allow parking on both sides of the road, also that all residents of OSR are involved in the consultation and not just houses adjacent to the yellow lines. The Chair will contact SMBC.

GL

A resident of Fiddlers Green has expressed concern that cars are driving over, or parking on her lawn. SMBC have suggested installing bollards which the resident is not happy about at present.

The Chair will write again to Wyckham Blackwell regarding the provision of extra parking facilities for the offices and request a meeting with Fleethire to discuss parking issues and road safety in relation to their planning application to extend their offices.

GL

11/109 Bus Shelter – The bus shelter has now been ordered. The clerk will contact CENTRO to identify the procedure for obtaining their promised financial contribution.

CLERK

12/32 MINUTES OF MAINTENANCE MEETING 30TH MAY 2012

The minutes were **proposed by Councillor James and seconded by Councillor Bowen.**

12/33 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MEETING

Marsh Lane School Crossing Patrol– Councillor James has attended a parent council meeting and it is evident that the proposed crossing is now not supported by parents or the Headteacher. It will therefore not be progressed at the moment. The clerk will advise SMBC.

CLERK

Diamond Jubilee – The event was very successful and well supported by the village. A reasonable profit was made and the £2000.00 contribution from the Fentham Trust will be returned to them and they will reimburse village organisations and commission a Jubilee Memorial as advised by the Diamond Jubilee Committee. The committee will look at a smaller scale Festival Weekend for next summer.

Allotments – Councillor Bowen questioned whether the school allotment was being used, Councillor Rolf confirmed that it was.

Marsh Lane hand rail – Councillor Bowen confirmed that it is now being replaced.

Old football pitches – The Fentham Trust are looking at using this land to expand the Arbouretum however the Parish Council would like to see at least part of the area being used for youth activities, such as a skate park, or a track for bikes. The Chairman will write to the Fentham Trust.

GL

12/34 CORRESPONDENCE (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

The following correspondence was presented to the meeting:

1. A letter from a resident expressing their disappointment that no one from the parish council had attended the SMBC planning committee meeting concerning 1, Meriden Road. Councillor Doidge stated that we had only had 2 days notice of the meeting. This was not the first instance of inadequate notice for recent hearings and he had written to SMBC to advise them that 10 days would be reasonable notice.
2. Citizen's Advise Bureau newsletter which would be placed in the telephone box information centre.

12/35 REPORT FROM COMMUNICATION GROUP MEETING 4th July 2012.

Councillor Rolf summarised the meeting:

Youth Bus – The vicar has produced a leaflet outlining details of the project and the chair will write to him seeking clarification of the remit of the management committee and the possible roll of the parish council representative on this. When a reply is received, Councillor Rolf will arrange an extra Communications Meeting to discuss the matter in more detail.

GL

The website – This continues to be updated regularly.

The Newsletter – The summer newsletter is being edited and will be ready for delivery in August.

Parish Surgery – Attendance has always been patchy and the police are reviewing their community engagement policy. In the meantime councillors considered that parishioners could contact the council by way of the parish website or the clerk who is available daily in the office.

GL

The next meeting of the communication group was arranged for 12th September 2012.

12/36 REVIEW OF LEASE – HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN SPORTS CLUB

The Sports Club 5 year lease is due for renewal and in line with inflation and increased maintenance costs Councillor James recommended an increase of 15%. This was supported by all councillors. The clerk will contact the Sports Club.

CLERK

12/37 HIGH SPEED 2 UPDATE

Councillor Doidge informed councillors that a meeting had been arranged with HS2 engineers, for Thursday 26th July. This was to explore the possibility of realignment and discuss mitigation.

12/38 UPDATE OF PLAYGROUND/OUTDOOR GYM FACILITIES

Councillor Doidge has met with Wickstead at the proposed under 7's playground and outdoor gym site between the tennis courts and Scout Hut at the Recreation field. The representation of a possible layout was presented to the meeting. It is also expected that a few extra pieces of equipment for younger children will be installed at the existing playground next to the school.

Comprehensive funding bids are being produced to SITA and the lottery fund.

The costs are: Main playground (under 7's) £25,000, Outdoor Gym £12,000 and £12,000 to update the existing site. A contribution of 11% would be required from the parish council, which it is hoped could be raised from other village organisations. Councillor James will contact the Sports Club to discuss the possibility of a contribution to the outdoor gym.

MJ

12/39 WAR MEMORIAL RESTORATION

Councillor Bowen is in the process of submitting a bid to the airport community fund towards the restoration of the war memorial, Councillor James will also contact the Church to discuss the possibility of a contribution. Councillor Bowen and the Chairman will meet to further discuss the restoration.

CB/GL

12/40 NEW STANDARDS REGIME

The new standards regime came into force on 1st July 2012 and Solihull MBC have drawn up a code of conduct which has been adopted by their full

council. This will be reviewed in 12 months to see if it is fit for purpose. Parish councillors are happy to adopt a similar Code of Conduct but were concerned about the Declaration of Pecuniary Interest as it includes the need for declaration of spouses interests in the public domain. Councillor Rolf expressed her concern that details of a councillor's spouse would be required to be on both the parish council and Solihull MBC website. The Chair will contact the Monitoring Officer to identify what mechanism is available to keep spouses details confidential if they were considered to be of a sensitive nature.

GL

12/41 REPORTS FROM VARIOUS MEETINGS

WALC – CPRE are running workshops to aid the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. Although we would have liked to attend only 3 days notice was given of the next workshop which was considered to be too short notice to be able to attend.

12/42 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Having previously circulated details of recent planning applications, Councillor Doidge made the following comments:

2010/2134 The Paddocks, Shadowbrook Lane – decision is still awaited.

2012/1023 The Pleck – variation of application 2008/981 to delete reference to temporary period and increase caravans to 3.

2011/1866 Hazel Farm, Shadowbrook Lane – To erect a temporary agricultural dwelling. This has now been approved.

2011/2009, 2011/2010 and 2012/460 Land 1 Meriden Road – now approved.

2012/656 and 2012/657 8 Old Station Road – objections sent.

12/43 FINANCE

The Accounts and Summary of Accounts and Authorisation of Payments were accepted as **proposed by The Chairman and seconded by Councillor Bowen.**

12/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Dates for meetings of the Parish Council in 2012/13 will be as follows:

19th September 2012

14th November 2012

2nd January 2013 – Budget Setting

16th January 2013

13th March 2013

16th April 2013 – Annual Parish Meeting (Tuesday)

8th May 2013

Maintenance Meetings

24th October 2012

6th February 2013

The meeting closed at 9.45pm