

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PARISH OF MANCETTER**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Parish of Mancetter, held on
Tuesday 23rd September 2014 commencing at 7.00pm in the School Room, St. Peter's Church, Mancetter.

Present:

Chairman	Mr T Hopkins
Parish Councillors	Mrs J Marshall, Mr H Blackburn, Mrs J Mawson, Mr C Tooby, Mr T Benham
Parish Clerk	Mrs K Meads
Public	Three members of the public

The Chairman, Mr T Hopkins welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if everyone was in attendance to discuss the Planning Application for a 39,000 chicken broiler unit at Crown Stables, Nuneaton Road. All attendees confirmed this was the case.

Item 1-Apologies

Apologies had been received from Mrs S Healy due to ill health and Mr B Hamson is attending another meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. These apologies were accepted.

Apologies were also received from Mr M Davis and Mrs L Freer Borough Councillors; Mr C Clark, County Councillor and Mr M Briner.

Item 2 – Notice of Interest

Mr T Hopkins and Mrs J Mawson declared an interest in Item 13-Allotments.

Item 3 – Amendment to Standing Orders to reflect Filming and Recording at meetings

Following the introduction of the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 allowing recording of meetings it was proposed by Mr H Blackburn and agreed unanimously that Standing Order 1 – Meetings item (m) be permanently deleted.

Item 4a-Approval of minutes of the Parish Meeting of 22nd July 2014

It was proposed by Mr H Blackburn and seconded by Mr T Benham that the minutes be accepted.

Item 5 – Report from County and Borough Councillors

Although County or Borough Councillors were not in attendance they did confirm that they still support the objection to the proposed Chicken Broiler Factory.

Item 6 – Report from Police

There was no report from the Police.

Item 7 – Footpaths report

Martyn Briner was not able to attend the meeting, but he had sent in a very detailed report which had been circulated to all Councillors before the meeting. The Chairman asked that thanks be sent to Mr Briner.

Item 8-Any other Parish Business

- **Planning Application for 39,000 chicken Broiler Factory at Crown Stables, Nuneaton Road, Mancetter.**

Mr T Hopkins advised the meeting that he did not intend to implement the limit of three minutes public discussion on this matter.

Rev T Tooby advised that a committee had been set up to both object to the application and raise awareness around the Parish. They have held two meetings with a further meeting planned for 6th October. The committee want to put posters around the Parish. Rev Tooby has been on local radio to talk about the application and he thanked the Parish Council for support and guidance with technical matters.

Mr T Hopkins reported that he had recently met with the Chair of Witherley Parish Council who advised that they also support the objection and have had similar dealings with the applicant in their Parish. Mr Hopkins also said that the Manager of DeMulder is also viewing the application.

After discussion it was felt that a number of regulations governing this type of unit did not appear to have been considered in the reports.

Mr Hopkins stated that Mancetter needs a Neighbourhood Plan and this will be discussed at future meetings.

- **Issues concerning adjoining Parishes**

Mr T Hopkins reported that he had met with the Chair of Witherley Parish Council to discuss the traffic issues which affect both Parishes. The Clerk was asked to write to Witherley Parish Council to arrange a meeting to discuss this matter further.

- **Badgers Fun Run**

Concerns had been expressed by Parishioners about the organisation of the recent Fun Run where roads were completely closed with no marshals at closures and no diversion signs. Mr T Hopkins had taken this matter to the Area Forum meeting where the Police took note of the comments.

- **NW Area Committee of Parish Councils**

Mr T Hopkins reported that at the recent NW Area meeting it was agreed that annual subscription charges would be re-introduced. The fee will be £10 per annum. It was proposed by Mr H Blackburn and seconded by Mrs J Marshall that Mancetter Parish Council should remain a member and the fee be paid. This was agreed unanimously.

- **Manor Road Extra Care Scheme**

Mrs K Meads reported that the Contracts Manager for Wilmott Dixon, the main contractors for the development had been in touch to say that they would be having a slow start on the scheme from 6th October, with a road closure notice on Church Walk from 15th October to get services on site.

Item 9 – Correspondence

A full list of correspondence received had been passed to councillors.

The following items were discussed in detail:

- **Area Forum**

Mr T Hopkins reported that Lap Tops were available to Community Groups.

Mr T Hopkins had requested that a HGV speed check be carried out in the Parish but unfortunately this had not been agreed for this quarter.

- **WALC AGM**

Mr T Hopkins and Mrs J Marshall will attend on behalf of the Parish Council

- **Boundary Commission**

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had distributed copies of the proposed Boundary changes.

- **Five Year Plan**

Mrs J Mawson raised the subject that WALC suggest that each Parish Council has a Five Year Plan.

Mr T Hopkins stated that the Plan for Mancetter Parish Council forms part of his Chairman's Report at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Item 10/11 – Cheques and Accounts

Mrs K Meads issued a full statement of all accounts up to 22nd September 2014. All cheques and bank payments were signed in accordance with the bank mandate.

Item 12 – Cemetery and Maintenance

- **Planting to commemorate WW1** Mr T Hopkins reported that the poppies and wild flowers were still not growing. It was suggested that as part of the planting of bulbs around the Parish, crocus and tulips could be planted in the 1914/18 area.

- **Planting of bulbs around the Parish** - The Clerk confirmed that she will be ordering the bulbs to be planted in Ridge Lane around the area disturbed by the work undertaken by Morgan Sindall.

- **Trees** The Clerk reported that the tree surgeon had been appointed and the Scot's Pine should be removed on Saturday 11th October. The two conifers had been removed and thanks were passed to Mr T Benham for completing this task.

Post meeting note: Due to the ill health of the tree surgeon the tree was not removed on 11th October, it is hoped that work will be completed on 8th November.

- **New Cremation Area** – The Clerk reported that she had received three letters regarding Memorial Plaques in the new cremation area. These letters were to ask the Parish Council to re consider the rule to allow one sunken vase in each memorial plaque. After much discussion it was agreed that this rule be changed to read:

Only one sunken vase in each tablet is allowed.

- **New Grave Digger** – MG Evans Funeral Directors have appointed a new grave digger. The Clerk and Chairman have met Mr D Homer, who has signed the Parish Council's Grave Digging Policy.
- **Manor Road Notice Board** – The Clerk reported that the Notice Board is in a poor state of repair. Recent temporary repairs have been carried out by Mr T Benham and the Clerk and her husband. The Chairman contacted the original contractor who has offered to complete more permanent repairs free of charge.

Item 13 – Allotment Update

Mr T Hopkins reported that there are no issues on the allotments at this time and there are now two names on the waiting list.

Item 14 – Core Strategy and Neighbourhood Plans

As stated in Item 8 above, it is felt that Mancetter needs a Neighbourhood Plan. Mr T Hopkins suggested that the new Action Group may be in a position to assist with this matter.

Item 15 – Publicity

- Summary Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd July 2014 were agreed as correct and signed by Mr T Hopkins.
- Mrs K Meads advised that a report for the September and October editions of Mancetter Matters had been sent in. Mr T Hopkins signed a paper copy of the report for the files.

Item 16 – Planning Applications-

- Renewal of caravan storage at Quarry Farm Mancetter – No objection to this application
- Illuminated signage at Dobbies Garden World – No objection to this application

Item 16 - Date of next meeting-Tuesday 25th November 2014

Additional items –

Mr T Hopkins reported the following items:

- At the recent Quarry Liaison meeting it was announced that Lafarge Tarmac had submitted an electronic Planning Application to Warwickshire County Council for the extension to Mancetter Quarry. The Clerk confirmed that she had been notified that WCC had received the application and details had been passed to John Arrowsmith in order for him to check that there was no breach to Public Rights of way.
- Police Commissioner's Ambassador will not be attending meetings. However, he will be attending a Public meeting hosted by Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council at Higham Lane School on 10th November at 6.30pm

There being no further business Mr T Hopkins closed the meeting at 9.00pm