

Mentmore Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Mentmore Village Hall on Wednesday 7th August 2019 at 8.00pm.

PRESENT:

Mentmore Parish Council Chairman Councillor P Brazier, Mentmore Parish Council Vice Chairman Councillor J Langley, Mentmore Parish Council Councillor I Butler, Mentmore Parish Council Councillor E Dack, Mentmore Parish Council Councillor R Fletcher.

Mentmore Parish Clerk B Knight.

Aylesbury Vale District Council Council P Cooper.
Buckinghamshire County Council Councillor A Wight.

No members of the public present.

C/259/19. Chairman's items and welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

C/260/19. Attendance and Apologies.

None.

C/261/19. Disclosures of Interest on items pertaining to the agenda – Councillors to declare any interests.

None.

C/262/19. Minutes from previous meeting.

It was PROPOSED BY Councillor Langley, SECONDED BY Councillor Fletcher and APPROVED and carried unanimously that the minutes from the parish council meeting held on the 19th June 2019 were correct and were signed by the Chairman.

C/263/19. Public Question Time.

None.

C/264/19. Police Matters.

The police were not present. The Chairman circulated a copy of the quarterly report from Thames Valley Police.

C/265/19. Reports from District and County Councillors.

AVDC District Councillor Cooper has met with the AVDC Monitoring Officer and explained about the Asset of Community Value process. This will be added to a future agenda for the council to consider applying again for Asset of Community Value status for The Stag public house.

AVDC District Councillor Cooper gave an update about Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan and explained the importance of Neighbourhood Development Plans.

Rachel Shimmin has been appointed as Chief Executive of the new Buckinghamshire Council. The executive members will be appointed soon, and the council is working on harmonising the council tax rates, redundant homes policy and other issues.

The scrutiny meetings are being webcast and available online, the next meeting is on Tuesday 20th August.

C/266/19. Village Hall.

The minutes of the latest Village Hall meeting were distributed to the Councillors prior to the meeting, there were no questions. Diane Armson will be meeting with a potential project manager for the heating system.

Jonathan Langley has provided an estimate to repair the Village Hall windowsills for £1,000, further quotations will be provided. An area of the Village Green could possibly be returned to a natural area and the Village Hall Committee will discuss this idea.

C/267/19. Horses Helping People Microgrant Application.

Mentmore PC are supporting this application with AVDC.

C/268/19. Planning:

C/269/19. Footpaths and Bridleways.

The council has received an email about the bridleways which are in Cheddington parish.

C/270/19. Reports of fly problem.

The council have received reports of a fly problem in Mentmore and parts of Aylesbury, this has been reported to AVDC.

C/271/19. Village events.

- 75th Anniversary of VE Day – 8th May 2020.
- The village fete was very well attended and raised £3,000.

C/272/19. Mentmore Village Green.

The tree survey is outstanding, the Clerk will investigate and circulate to Councillors.

C/273/19. Finance.

It was resolved to make the following payments:

Payee	Description	Amount
Anglo Dutch	Payroll Services	£36.00
B Knight	Clerk's Salary & Allowance July 19	£285.24
B Knight	Clerk's Salary, Allowance & Expenses June 19	£303.89
Bucks CC Pensions	June & July Pension	£177.32
Eon	Streetlights	£279.00
HMRC Cumbernauld	June & July PAYE	£135.20
MC2 Electrical	Streetlights	£4,030.80
Metro Bank	2 months Bank fees	£40.00
Councillor E A Dack	Reimburse half 1st aid course	£225.00
Councillor E A Dack	Reimburse Village Hall Expenses	£6.77
Mrs S A Johnston	Reimburse Village Picnic Band	£120.00
Zurich Insurance	Renewal	£568.36

Bank Balances:

Metro Bank Community Account: £3,380.97
Metro Bank Village Hall Account: £9,662.47
Metro Bank Savings Account: £29,103.93
Total: £42,107.37

C/274/19. LAF Funding.

Mentmore PC has submitted the idea of cycle route from Mentmore to Cheddington station to Bucks County Council.

C/275/19. LED Streetlighting update.

The contractor has been given new bulbs and the Clerk will write to the contractor about the style of lanterns.

C/276/19. Clerk & Chairman's Report.

2020 meeting dates were agreed.
Mentmore PC insurance renewal was agreed.

C/277/19. The meeting closed at 9.10pm.