

Mentmore Parish Council

Minutes of Mentmore Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th September 2018 at the Mentmore Village Hall at 8pm.

Present: Mentmore Parish Councillors: Peter Brazier (Chair), Jonathan Langley (Vice Chair), Iain Butler and Robert Fletcher.

Bridget Knight – Clerk to the Council.

Three members of the public.

C/91/18. Chairman's items and welcomes

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

C/92/18. Attendance and Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Bucks County Councillor Anne Wight, AVDC District Councillor Peter Cooper and Mentmore Councillor Elizabeth Dack.

C/93/18. Disclosures of Interest on items pertaining to the agenda – Councillors to declare any interests.

Councillor Langley declared a pecuniary interest in the planned work at the Village Hall.

C/94/18. Minutes from previous meeting.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Langley, SECONDED Councillor Fletcher and APPROVED and carried unanimously that the minutes from the parish council meeting held on the 1st August 2018 were correct and were signed by the Chairman.

C/95/18. Public Question Time.

A local resident informed the council that he plans to submit a B2 planning application on a building he owns for permission to run a bootcamp style gym for up to 12 people to attend, this is located near the train robbers bridge.

C/96/18. Police Matters.

The police were not present at the meeting.

Councillor Brazier attended the TVP local police forum on Monday evening.

C/97/18. To receive reports from District and County Councillors.

Bucks County Councillor Wight had submitted her report to the Council prior to the meeting.

C/98/18. Village Hall.

A report had been received from the committee which was shared with the Councillors before the meeting.

Jonathan Langley was awarded the contract to redecorate the hall and other work starting 7th January.

C/99/18. Planning:

**18/02809/APP – 15 Rowden Farm Barns, Rowden Farm Lane, Mentmore, Bucks LU7 0QD.
Installation of 2 polytunnels.**

OBJECTION PROPOSED BY Councillor Langley and SECONDED BY Councillor Butler and carried unanimously. On the shared grounds of the neighbouring parishioners regarding commercial use, traffic, noise and residential amenity. The application lacks detail on these subjects which should be open to scrutiny.

18/02615/ACL – Rowden Farm, Rowden Lane, Mentmore, Bucks.

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing dwelling.

OBJECTION PROPOSED BY Councillor Brazier and SECONDED BY Councillor Langley and carried unanimously. On the grounds that the claimed immunity should not apply as it is and always has been a mobile home.

18/02617/APP – Rowden Farm, Rowden Lane, Mentmore, Bucks.

Agricultural building.

OBJECTION PROPOSED BY Councillor Brazier and SECONDED BY Councillor Langley and carried unanimously. On the grounds that it was clearly shown in the full agricultural appraisal of this property that it does not meet the requirements for agricultural development (4.7 onwards of the Bourne Rural report on 15/03173).

18/02618/APP – 11 The Green, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QD.

Erection of a new shed/summerhouse (part retrospective).

OBJECTION PROPOSED BY Councillor Brazier and SECONDED BY Councillor Langley and carried unanimously. On the grounds of inappropriate development within the curtilage of a listed building and within the Mentmore Conservation Area. We respectfully suggest the comment the Heritage Officer has submitted are not strong enough given the fact that this large and imposing summerhouse finds itself in the heart of this well-preserved Hanna de Rothschild model village. It is out of place in size, shape, colour, finish and roofline and is visible from adjoining listed properties. We also suggest some of the fencing is new and agree it should be included into the assessment.

18/02476/ADP – Oakwood Farm, Ledburn, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QD.

Approval of reserved matters pursuant to outline permission 17/02465/AOP for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of a development with access included for a mixed use development of B8 and B2 units comprising up to 2090 sq. m. in total floor area (equal to the combined floor space of the previously approved permissions 05/00240, 05/00241, 05/00242, 05/00243 and 05/00244) with all other matters reserved for future determination (layout, appearance, scale and landscaping). No comments.

Ongoing:

18/02468/AOP – Amos House, Rowden Farm Lane, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QD.

Outline planning permission with all matters reserved for the erection of an agricultural workers dwelling. No update.

18/02406/APP – Old Vicarage Cottage, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QG.

Single storey side extension with accommodation in the roof, garage conversion, alterations to existing porch and existing fenestration, part demolition of existing roof and replacement with altered roof containing habitable accommodation. New vehicular access to public highway and removal of trees, boundary walls and single storey extension. No update.

18/022201/AGN – Oakwood Farm, Ledburn, Mentmore, Bucks LU7 0QD.

Erection of agricultural building. Update: AVDC No objections.

18/02353/APP - Lilac Cottage 5 Ledburn Mentmore Bucks, LU7 0PX.

Erection of detached carport. No update.

18/02408/APP – 17 The Green, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 9QF.

Installation of new oil boiler externally at the rear of the property and install an extractor fan in the bathroom. No update.

18/02409/ALB – 17 The Green, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 9QF. Installation of new oil boiler externally at the rear of the property and install an extractor fan in the bathroom. No update.

C/100/18. Devolvement update.

Devolved services contract (2019 renewal) deferred to next meeting.

Extended devolution – deferred to a future meeting after discussions with Bucks CC.

Re-tender for parish grass cutting including village green – deferred to next meeting.

C/101/18. Footpaths and Bridleways.

MEN 10 – Councillor Dack was not present and will report at the next meeting.

Historic footpaths – no update.

Damaged footpath bridge – reported to Bucks CC Rights of Way.

Bridleway obstructed – this is in Cheddington parish and the Chairman has let the Cheddington Parish Clerk know.

C/102/18. Litter Picking.

The AVDC contractor litter pick is due this month.

The community litter pick is planned for Sunday 23rd September.

C/103/18. Remembrance Sunday – purchase of poppy wreath/donation.

It was agreed to make a £90 donation to the Royal British Legion to purchase a new wreath carried unanimously. It was agreed to purchase a Royal British Legion Tommy Silhouette to commemorate the end of World War One for a £150 donation.

C/104/18. Village Events

No update.

C/105/18. Finance

The accounts to date including payments and receipts had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. Authorisations and payments were signed during the meeting.

Payee	Description	Amount
Clerk	Payroll, Allowance & Exp	£335.96
Anglian Water	Village Hall Water	£45.00
Bucks CC Pensions	Clerk's Pension	£78.24
HMRC	PAYE	£9.00
Metro Bank	Monthly Banking Charges	£20.00

Octopus Energy	Village Hall Electricity	£56.40
Peter Brazier	Reimburse Parish Picnic Exp	£145.00

C/106/18. LED Streetlighting – including Ledburn.

No update.

C/107/18. Bucks Best Kept Village Competition Results.

Mentmore did not win, the feedback from the judges was that the churchyard was a little neglected and this is being addressed.

C/108/18. To receive/discuss Chairman and Clerk’s Report.

No comments.

C/109/18. Dates for 2019 meetings:

13th February, 3rd April, 1st May, 4th June, 7th August, 2nd October and 4th December all at 8.00pm in Mentmore Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.57pm.

Date of Next Meeting of Mentmore Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 3rd October** in Mentmore Village Hall at 8pm.