

# Mentmore Parish Council

Minutes of Mentmore Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018 at Mentmore Village Hall at 8pm.

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## **Present:**

Mentmore Parish Council Councillors: Peter Brazier (Chair), Jonathan Langley (Vice Chair), Liz Dack and Robert Fletcher.

Bridget Knight – Clerk to the Council.

Two members of the public.

## **C/110/18. Chairman's items and welcomes**

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

## **C/111/18. Attendance and Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Iain Butler.

## **C/112/18. Disclosures of Interest on items pertaining to the agenda – Councillors to declare any interests.**

Cllr Langley declared a pecuniary interest in the Village Hall redecoration work.

## **C/113/18. Minutes from previous meeting.**

It was PROPOSED BY Cllr Langley, SECONDED BY Cllr Fletcher and APPROVED and carried unanimously that the minutes from the parish council meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were correct and were signed by the Chairman.

## **C/114/18. Public Question Time.**

None.

## **C/115/18. Police Matters.**

The police were not present at the meeting.

## **C/116/18. To receive reports from District and County Councillors.**

Bucks County Councillor Wight gave her report.

Brownlow Bridge (Ivinghoe) – Bucks CC are undertaking their own study on whether the bridge is strong enough to continue with 40 tonne HGVs. Work will start on Horton Road Canal Bridge on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October until 23<sup>rd</sup> October. The road closure will be between 0930 – 1500 each weekday. Also, the sensors for the traffic lights at Cheddington Station Bridge and Cooks Wharf Canal Bridge are both being repaired.

Virtual Parking Permits – the launch of these has been delayed until between 27<sup>th</sup> September and 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Early Help Consultation – this will be launched on the 4<sup>th</sup> October for 10 weeks for more information [www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/care-for-children-and-families/improveing-early-help=services-for-children-young-people-and-families/consultation-process/](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/care-for-children-and-families/improveing-early-help=services-for-children-young-people-and-families/consultation-process/)

Time to Change – Bucks CC are supporting the Time to Change campaign which is hoping to change the way people view mental health issues. More information [www.buckscc.gov.uk/timetochange](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/timetochange)

Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute plans for 11<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Day in Aylesbury were read out.

**C/117/18. Village Hall.**

Cllr Dack distributed the minutes of the Village Hall committee prior to the meeting.

Book sales raised £75.38.

The re-decoration and re-flooring of the Village Hall will be undertaken by Jonathan Langley at the beginning of January.

**C/118/18. Planning:**

**New this meeting:**

**None.**

**Ongoing:**

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

Installation of 2 polytunnels. Update: further information received from applicant.

Mentmore Parish Council to submit a further comment to AVDC to ask for a condition to be made to restrict the gardening so that this does not become a business enterprise as neighbours are concerned.

PROPOSED BY Cllr Brazier and SECONDED BY Councillor Dack and carried unanimously.

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

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing dwelling. No update.

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

Agricultural building. No update.

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

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

No update.

**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 update.

**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.

Update: Cllr Brazier to speak at AVDC committee on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

**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.**

**18/01479/APP – Helsthorpe Farm Barn, Crafton, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QL.**

Conversion and alterations of existing barn to create 3 dwellings.

Update: Further information available on AVDC planning portal.

**C/119/18. Devolvement update.**

Devolved services contract (2019 renewal) – it was agreed to renew this PROPOSED Cllr Brazier and SECONDED BY Cllr Fletcher and carried unanimously.

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

Bucks Memorandum of Understanding extended devolved services – it was agreed to accept this offer and form a sub-committee to manage the road maintenance in the parish PROPOSED BY Cllr Brazier and SECONDED BY Cllr Langley and carried unanimously.

**C/120/18. Footpaths and Bridleways.**

MEN 10 – still obstructed Cllr Dack to follow up.

Historic footpaths – no update.

**C/121/18. Litter Picking.**

Cllr Dack reported the community litter has taken place over the last week and 50 bags of litter were collected by volunteers which AVDC have removed. The Chairman thanked Cllr Dack and the volunteers for this. This is separate from the litter collection service AVDC employ contractors to do, they do not visit the parish very often.

**C/122/18. Village Events**

Plant Sale - 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

**C/123/18. 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	Clerk's Salary, Allowance & Exp	£392.81
Bucks CC Pensions	Clerk's Pension	£97.27
HMRC	PAYE	£24.60
Metro Bank	Monthly Banking Charges	£20.00
Royal British Legion	Silhouette Donation	£150.00
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit Fee	£240.00

The annual audit is complete with no concerns, the Chairman thanked the Clerk.

The Clerk's pay was reviewed and agreed PROPOSED BY Cllr Brazier and SECONDED BY Cllr Fletcher and carried unanimously.

**C/124/18. LED Streetlighting.**

The order has been placed, the installation date is to be confirmed.

**C/125/18. Luton Airport.**

The consultation will be added to the newsletter.

**C/126/18. Mentmore Christmas Tree.**

It was agreed to purchase a Christmas Tree for up to £250. The council will discuss a permanent planted tree for future years in the next meeting.

**C/127/18. Complaint from local resident noted (confidential).**

**C/128/18. To receive/discuss Chairman and Clerk's Report.**

No comments.

**C/129/18. Dates of next meeting:**

5<sup>th</sup> December in the Village Hall at 8pm.

The meeting closed at 8.59pm.