



**Minutes of Mentmore Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at the Village Hall, Mentmore at 8pm.**

**Present: Councillors: Peter Brazier (Chair), Liz Dack, Robert Fletcher and Jonathan Langley (Vice Chair).**

**Bridget Knight – Clerk to the Council.**

**8 members of the public.**

**C/160/19. Chairman's items and welcomes**

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**C/161/19. Attendance and Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Iain Butler and Bucks County Cllr Anne Wight.

**C/162/19. Disclosures of Interest on items pertaining to the agenda – Councillors to declare any interests.**

Cllr Langley declared an interest in Village Hall invoices, dogs being exercised on the Village Green, Footpaths, wood preserver, street lights and the Mentmore Plant Fair and did not take part in the discussion about these items.

**C/163/19. Minutes from previous meeting.**

It was PROPOSED BY Cllr Brazier, SECONDED BY Cllr Fletcher and APPROVED and carried unanimously that the minutes from the parish council meetings held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019 were correct and were signed by the Chairman.

**C/164/19. Public Question Time.**

A member of the public asked whether she could talk about dogs on The Green and the Chairman said she would be invited to contribute during that discussion later in the meeting.

A resident from Ledburn raised the issues of poor telecoms in the village. AVDC District Councillor Cooper suggested she look at Connected Counties website and he said that Wingrave have been going through this process for five years and he offered to help her and her neighbours with this problem.

**C/165/19. Police Matters.**

The police were not present but submitted an email regarding dogs on the Village Green.

**C/166/19. Exercising of dogs on the Village Green.**

A member of the public reported about two attacks on her dogs by dogs not on a lead in the parish. The Chairman explained the council has been investigating what the council can do. AVDC District Councillor Cooper has taken advice from the Head of Legal Services at AVDC

and he explained the legal position. It was agreed to display signs on The Village Green and AVDC District Councillor will check the wording with the Legal Officer.

**C/167/19. Reports from District and County Councillors.**

AVDC District Councillor Cooper reported about Unitary and the timescales. The AVDC budget has been agreed.

**C/168/19. GDPR Privacy Statement.**

Cllr Butler has reviewed the GDPR Privacy Statement and it was adopted.

**C/169/19. Village Hall**

Cllr Dack circulated the minutes from the committee meeting prior to the meeting. The flooring and re-decoration of the Village Hall is complete. The lobby floor and the new heating system will be the next projects.

It was agreed to purchase membership of MPLC (Motion Picture Licensing Company) licence for the village hall and it will allow the Village Hall to offer screenings the cost is £168.76.

**C/170/19. Planning:**

**New this meeting:**

**19/00432/COUAR – Abacus Acres, Rowden Farm, Rowden Farm Lane, Mentmore, Bucks.**

Determination as to whether prior approval is required in respect of transport and highway impact, noise, contamination risk, flooding and locational considerations for the conversion of an agricultural building into one dwelling (Class Q(a)) and in relation to design and external appearance of the building (Class Q(b)).

**No comment.**

**19/00233/COUAR – Top Bliss Barn, Crafton Lodge Road, Crafton, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QJ.**

Determination as to whether prior approval is required in respect of transport and highway impact, noise, contamination risk, flooding and locational considerations for the conversion of agricultural barn into dwelling house (Class Q(a)) and in relation to design and external appearance of the building (Class Q(b)).

**19/00235/COUAR – Top Bliss Barn, Crafton Lodge Road, Crafton, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QJ.**

Determination as to whether prior approval is required in respect of transport and highway impact, noise, contamination risk, flooding and locational considerations for the conversion of agricultural barn into dwelling house (Class Q(a)) and in relation to design and external appearance of the building (Class Q(b)).

**Ongoing:**

**19/00039/AGN – 16A Crafton Lodge Road, Crafton, Mentmore, Bucks, LU8 0QL.**

Proposed new vehicle access.

Update: AVDC Refused.

**18/04040/APP – Woodlands Cottage, Crafton Lodge Road, Crafton, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QJ.**

Demolition of existing garage and erection of single storey side extension with accommodation in roof space and single storey rear conservatory.

No update.

**18/03730/APP – 3 The Cottage, Mentmore, Bucks, LU7 0QG.**

Single storey flat roofed side extension.

No update.

**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, sale 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.

**18/01579/APP – Helsthorpe Farm Barn, Crafton, Mentmore, LU7 0QL.**

Conversion and alterations of existing barn to create 3 dwellings.

No update.

**18/02486/APP – Top Bliss Barn Part of Crafton Stud Farm, Crafton Lodge Road, Crafton, Mentmore.**

Conversion of agricultural building to dwelling with double garage and alterations.

**It was agreed to withdraw the objection made previously. PROPOSED BY Cllr Brazier and SECONDED BY Cllr Langley and carried unanimously.**

**18/04558/ATC – Stud Cottage, Crafton Lodge Road, Crafton, Mentmore, LU7 0QJ.**

T1 - Damaged tree / partially fallen to be felled

T2 - Decayed tree to be felled

Maintain / re-establish boundary hedgerow

Update: AVDC Approved.

**C/171/19. Devolvement update.**

The Chairman and Clerk signed the Local Council Devolution Agreement Variation.

The potholes in Ledburn have been mended by Mentmore Parish Council devolved services contractor.

The re-tender for devolved services parish grass cutting and village green grass cutting to include MEN/10/1 and MEN/15/2 – the parish council will continue to maintain.

**C/172/19. Footpaths and Bridleways.**

Reports of overgrown bramble has been dealt with by Cheddington Parish Council. Rights of Way Consultation – the Chairman and Cllr Dack encouraged people to complete the consultation through the Bucks CC website.

**C/173/19. Litter Picking.**

There is community litter picked planned for the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

**C/174/19. Application of wood preservative/oil on wooden assets of parish (inc play equipment, noticeboards and benches).**

The council asked Jonathan Langley to submit a quotation for the works.

**C/175/19. Village events.  
Plant Fair – 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019.  
Village Fete – 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019.**

**C/176/19. Finance.**

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

Payee	Description	Amount
PE Mead & Sons	Christmas Tree	£222.00
Clerk	Clerk's Salary, Allowance & Exp	£695.73
Eon	Streetlights - Jan 19	£234.66
Bucks CC Pensions	Clerk's Pension	£166.58
AVDC	Dog Bins	£148.01
HMRC	PAYE	£26.60
Jonathan Langley	VH Work	£2,145.85
Metro Bank	Banking Fees	£40.00
Almar Tring	Office Supplies	£57.66
Web Genie	Domain name & hosting	£74.40
Metro Bank	Banking Fees	£20.00
MPLC	MPLC Licence	£202.51
Information Commissioner Office	Renewal	£35.00

**C/177/19. LED Streetlighting.**

No update.

**C/178/19. Possible Bucks CC electric vehicle charging point.**

No update.

**C/179/19. Luton Airport.**

No update.

**C/180/19. Mentmore Christmas Tree.**

No update.

**C/181/19. The Stag Public House, Mentmore.**

AVDC has decided the pub is not an asset of community value. This will be discussed further when the report has been received.

**C/182/19. Clerk & Chairman's Report.**

The Chairman and Cllr Fletcher will attend Greatmoor Recycling Centre on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

The Clerk and Chairman's report was circulated prior to the meeting and there were no further questions.

**C/184/19. Dates of next meeting:**

3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 in the Village Hall at 8pm.

Future meetings: 8<sup>th</sup> May (Annual Meeting of MPC and Annual Parish Meeting), 4<sup>th</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2<sup>nd</sup> October and 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 all in Mentmore Village Hall at 8pm

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.