

Wing Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 31 January 2017 in the Small Hall, Wing Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Mrs L Stuart, Ms S Roe, Mr J Lomas, Mr J Hughes, Mr J Benson, Mrs C Hellgren-Derry, Mr Mark Kelly, Mrs Vicky Day,

Mr Mark Reynolds, Mrs K Levett.

Mr Clive Parish

County & District Councillor: Netta Glover

PCSO Tina Hobson

Members of the public: Mrs Liz Tring and Mr Dennis Green

<p>634. Public Question Time</p>	<p>Mrs Tring raised the issue of excess mud on the road and traffic problems in and around Meadow Way – the area of development by Martin Grant Homes. Councillor Levett explained that many parish councillors had been on a site visit to Martin Grant Homes on Saturday 28th January where this issue was discussed with the site manager. Councillor Levett also confirmed she would be following up the visit in the near future. (See Councillor Levett's report later in these minutes.)</p> <p>Councillor Stuart raised the issues of the slashed dog poop posters at Long Spinney and the offensive graffiti sprayed on homes at the new Taylor Wimpey site at Dormer Avenue. Councillor Hellgren-Derry stated she had sent photographs of the slashed posters to the PCSO. Unfortunately no photographs or CCTV of the graffiti were available as it had already been cleaned off. Councillor Roe added that, not only had the dog poop posters been slashed, other posters had been removed and thrown in bins and bushes. This included 'No Works Traffic' signs leading to Martin Grant Homes, which was raised with the site manager on the visit to Martin Grant Homes on 28th January. PCSO Boston suggested any communications on these issues, even if anonymous, would be welcomed by Thames Valley Police.</p> <p>ACTION: Councillor Stuart to draft appropriate article for inclusion in next issue of What's On In Wing.</p> <p>ACTION: Councillor Roe to upload this article to Parish Council's facebook page.</p> <p>ACTION: Councillor Roe to report these incidents to the police by telephoning 101.</p> <p>Councillor Stuart also requested PCSO Boston ask PCSO Paula to contact Wing Parish Council to discuss what further action could be taken.</p> <p>PCSO Boston outlined the recorded offences in Wing in December 2016 and January 2017:</p> <p>December 2916 1 x burglary non dwelling 1 x criminal damage</p>	
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<p>635. a. Apologies for absence b. Declaration of interests c. Approval of previous minutes</p>	<p>a. Councillor Crush b. Councillor Stuart: planning application at Prospect Place. Councillor Hughes: Sports and Social Club c. Not yet complete; deferred to February meeting. ACTION: Councillor Stuart to circulate draft minutes of December meeting for comment as soon as possible.</p>	<p>Clerk/C hair</p>
<p>636. County and District Councillors Report</p>	<p>Unitary: The proposal is to abolish all five county and district authorities and replace them with two new unitary councils, one in the north alongside the existing unitary of Milton Keynes and one in the south to cover the area of the three southern district councils, saving tax payers almost £58million over a five-year period. Under the new proposals each unitary council would be responsible for the delivery of all council services. The proposal was approved by members of the council at each of the four districts on Monday 16 January . It will now be submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government on 17 January. A meeting to discuss the proposal with the SoS will take place on Thursday 19 January.</p> <p>A copy of the executive summary and the full report can be accessed from our website. www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/mlg</p> <p>Speeding in Villages – Community Speed Watch</p> <p>The three chairmen of our local area forum took the opportunity at the last county council meeting to challenge the Police and Crime Commissioner on the lack of activity in prosecuting people speeding in villages. The Chief Constable has given us a two page response. One of the points he makes is that reducing the harm caused on our roads is a priority so they prioritise opportunities to reduce casualties through enforcement, education and engineering opportunities. He claims that our force has one of the highest levels of enforcement activity in the country.. He says that there are some technology challenges in the database used by the Community Speed watch at the moment. The person who looks after the system is "on the case".</p> <p>Fly Tipping</p> <p>Huge fines for pair behind massive tyre dumping operation A massive tyre dumping operation taking place across South Bucks was brought to an end when enforcement officers and police pounced on the perpetrator right in the middle of a midnight dumping spree. After a brief car chase, the man abandoned his van and was traced by police dog handlers who found him hiding up a tree. . Sentencing duly took place at Aylesbury Crown Court yesterday, when each of them were fined £5,000 and ordered to pay £5,195.50 in costs, on top of</p>	<p>NG</p>

which was a victim surcharge. Mr Ahmed was also sentenced to 200 hours' unpaid work and his sister to 110 hours.

Though the Waste Partnership for Buckinghamshire enforcement officers that brought the prosecution collected evidence for nine offences, it is believed that in total Mr Ahmed may have been responsible for over forty dumping incidents across South Buckinghamshire, each involving 50-60 tyres. The tyres were usually dumped across unlit roads in the middle of the night. No evidence of Mr. Ahmed's identity was ever found with the dumped tyres, and all his activity took place late at night when there were no witnesses. Waste Partnership for Buckinghamshire enforcement officers, with police support, were instead able to catch the criminal red-handed after building up intelligence from surveillance cameras.

Sentencing the pair, Judge Francis Sheridan expressed strong opinions about the blight caused to Buckinghamshire by illegal dumping, calling fly tippers "the scourge of the countryside" who are "robbing the county of its money" through clear-up costs – money which could otherwise be used to provide much-needed services for local people. He also made it clear that he would always strictly enforce the environmental law, and wouldn't hesitate to hand down a custodial sentence if either of the Ahmeds came before him for dumping offences again.

Greatmoor website is now up and running. Log on to www.greatmoor.co.uk where you can catch up on the latest news. Since the operation started they have hosted 500 visitors including teachers . So far schools, parish councils, a scout group and a group from a special school have visited. Schools and groups can arrange visits. Just log on and go to the contact us page.

Queens Police Medal for Jason Thelwell – Bucks and MK Fire Chief. Jason has headed up some very innovative work at the Fire Authority – leading the way towards co-locating the blue light services in MK and taking on apprentices. Firemen trained as first responders – sometimes beating the ambulance to a heart attack victim and saving a life. A firefighter can live within 10 minutes of a fire station rather than his own fire station. I could go on. While I am talking about the Fire Authority you might be interested to hear that the planning application for the co-location of the three blue light facilities to be located in Milton Keynes has received permission to go ahead.

Garden Town! BCC statement:

“This is great news for Aylesbury and for Buckinghamshire. We are very pleased to be a joint partner in the Aylesbury Garden Town initiative and are delighted that the bid has been successful.

“The Garden Town status will help to provide some of the modern, high-quality facilities needed by local people in Aylesbury and surrounding areas, with iconic design, public art and open spaces all delivered through partnerships of councils, organisations and individuals across the public, private, voluntary, community and faith sectors in the town. There will also be a boost for the Bucks economy generally in terms of jobs and cultural and retail growth.

“The County Council gives its full commitment to working collaboratively and closely with Aylesbury Vale District Council and other partners to deliver this strong future vision for Aylesbury.”

Survey: **Tackling Crime; Protecting People 2017-20**

The agencies who work together in Buckinghamshire to tackle crime and protect vulnerable people (e.g. councils, police, probation, voluntary services etc) are looking for your views on what we believe should have extra focus for the next three years (April 2017-March 2020).

Some of the work we already do includes

Working with young people to educate them in how to stay safe and keep away from serious harm

Reducing the number of young people who become involved in criminal activity

Supporting those who feel isolated or targeted because of who they are or where they live

Please consider taking part in this short survey, [and please forward to your networks](#). It is ‘multiple choice’ with an optional space at the end for you to provide any comments or thoughts, in your own words. It should take no more than 5 minutes.

Last year we were really pleased that over 1300 people responded from all over the county and represented those under 17 years old right up to those over 70 years old. Please help us to hear from even more people than last year so we are even better informed. **To take part in the survey click on this link <https://www.research.net/r/saferbucks>**

HS2: Members at County were given an update on HS2. As the A418 through Wing has been earmarked as a haul route for spoil I took the opportunity to point out the delays that are likely to be caused once they had to negotiate the bends in Wing. They undertook to come and have a look but made the point that they are not necessarily going to use this route so let us keep our fingers crossed

Neil Blake has penned an open letter to Aylesbury, where he addresses several misconceptions about Aylesbury's new garden town status.

"There have been a few misconceptions about what Garden Town status means for Aylesbury and I'd like to set the record straight. The status, confusingly I'll admit, has little to do with gardens. It comes from the Garden City movement of urban planning created back in the late 1890s and into the 20th Century. The concept is based on well-planned, sustainable and self-

	<p>sufficient towns, highly accessible with significant green spaces. This ideal applies to our modern world just as much as it did in the past and the name has stuck.</p> <p>It's important to stress that this status won't bring more housing to Aylesbury but will let us better develop the growth already set out in our emerging local plan. Developers will have to take our Garden Town status into account when proposing new developments through the local plan process. They'll need to include more affordable housing, green spaces, trees, walking and cycle ways and we'll do the same whenever we renovate and improve an area.</p> <p>Traffic is an area of concern for many people. Garden Town status will let us tackle traffic issues more effectively as we'll have extra funds to invest. The housing set out in the draft local plan is committed with transport improvements incorporated and the Aylesbury Transport Strategy is being created to better provide for the town's transport needs.</p> <p>This status will let us fine tune our long-term masterplan and delivery framework for Aylesbury's growth with detailed proposals for transport, green and community infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>Our ambition is quite simple – to ensure the developments across Aylesbury offer the best of town and country living, creating truly desirable communities with new affordable housing, in an environment to make us proud.”</p>	
<p>637. a. Clerk's report and correspondence b. Councillors reports c. Committee reports d. Consultation documents e. Planning applications</p>	<p>a. Clerk's Report</p> <p>i. Application made to AVDC to have Wing Sports and Social Club declared a 'community asset'. ACTION: Clerk to chase progress of application.</p> <p>ii. Mr and Mrs Hosier (Wing residents) had approached Councillor Stuart concerning a house they wished to purchase on the new Martin Grant homes development, which had now been promised to another prospective buyer (also with Wing connections) who was able to move more quickly, as Mr and Mrs Hosier had yet to sell their current home.</p> <p>iii. There remains an issue with the recently acquired new form of street lighting in Wing – at least three lights are known to be faulty. Both Councillor Stuart and the clerk have tried to contact Phosco (contractor) to discuss the issue and to arrange a meeting, but without success. ACTION: Clerk to contact Phosco to elicit response to council's request.</p> <p>iv. The next meeting of the Local Area Forum (LAF) is at Wing Village Hall on 2nd February at 6:30pm. Councillor Stuart recommended that all councillors should attend.</p> <p>v. Councillor Stuart confirmed that the Mount Pleasant Farm planning application was in hand. Councillor Glover also confirmed that AVDC Planning</p>	<p>Clerk/AI I</p>

Department was involved and that the Department of Environment need to be involved and to take action.

vi. Mr Green recommended a driving course for the elderly that he had recently attended. Cost: approximately £37.

vii. A Mr Romano had contacted the Parish Council wanting to rent land. Mr Romano referred to AVDC.

viii. Emails have been received requesting we advertise the Child Bereavement UK 'Snowdrop Walk' and AVDC Events. It was agreed these could be posted on the PC website.

ix. Email received from Harold Benjamin Solicitors regarding the laying of a sewerage pipe to the Martin Grant Homes site across land owned by the Parish Council. Councillors Stuart and Lomas are dealing with the issue.

x. The new clerk has researched the best deals available for a mobile phone on the EE network, as requested by Councillor Stuart on taking up the post. Clerk reported that the suggested 'best buy' was for an iphone SE. However, the clerk suggested the 'next best alternative' of an iphone 5S would be more than sufficient as it provided better value for money at £2.50 pcm less than the iphone SE but with similar contract.

Proposed by Councillor Hellgren-Derry, Seconded by Councillor Hughes, APPROVED by Council.

ACTION: Clerk to secure new mobile phone contract and circulate new telephone number as soon as possible.

b. Councillor Reports

Councillor Levett provided a full report on the visit to Martin Grant Homes on Saturday 28th January (please refer to Public Question Time above). The site manager (Sam) has agreed to increase the amount of road sweeping in the area to three times a week, to wash vehicle tyres leaving the site and consider other ways to reduce the amount of mud on the roads in the village. The site manager also requested from councillors/residents the names on company vans and lorries that appear to be contravening the terms of their contract with Martin Grant Homes, e.g. speeding, travelling on unsuitable roads, mounting the kerb, etc. so that he can reiterate the conditions in their contract with all contractors and his own staff. The site manager had also agreed to look at appropriate signage in the village. Councillor Levett has agreed to be the lead parish councillor liaising with Martin Grant homes on these issues and will arrange a further site visit for councillors in approximately five months time.

Councillor Stuart reported that she and Councillor Levett had met with Catalyst Housing (the housing association dealing with Martin Grant Homes) and had outlined the type of resident who would fit in well with village life and be an asset to the village.

Councillor Stuart reported that, at a meeting to discuss the Wing Good Neighbours Scheme on 18th January, the draft form to recruit volunteers had been well received , with only a few suggested areas for improvement. However, it was suggested at the meeting that the recruitment fair originally planned for April/May was probably too soon and that a September/October date was more realistic. Helen (vicar) had offered to help organise/manage the fair. Following a discussion, and given how long this initiative was taking to get off the ground, it was agreed that Councillor Stuart should go back to the meeting attendees to say that the council would prefer the volunteer recruitment fair to take place in April.

ACTION: Councillor Stuart to contact Wing GNS meeting attendees to confirm that a date in April for the volunteer recruitment fair would be the preference of the Parish Council.

ACTION: Interested councillors to notify Councillor Stuart of their intention to help organise the recruitment fair.

Councillor Day asked whether there would be any funding to train volunteers. Councillor Stuart suggested that such volunteers/organisations would need to apply to the Parish Council for a grant.

Councillor Stuart reported that five candidates had been invited to interview for the vacant post of clerk to the Parish Council, only four of whom had attended. The successful candidate was Huw Thomas.

Mr Clive Parrish summarised the Communications Plan paper, circulated to councillors before the meeting. Mr Parrish explained the five steps highlighted in his paper, outlining what needs to be done and by whom, and suggesting this momentum will need to be sustained. Mr Parrish asked councillors to consider what they may be able to contribute and suggested that decisions now need to be made on website design and content, continued use of Wordpress, etc. It was agreed that Mr Parrish should arrange a meeting of interested councillors to discuss next steps.

ACTION: Mr Parrish to arrange meeting on a suitable date for interested councillors to discuss next steps for the Communications Plan.

ACTION: Once the date has been agreed, Clerk to book a room at the village hall and send invites to councillors.

c. Committee Reports

Dog working party

Cllr Hellgren-Derry reported that, despite the slashing of the poster at Long Spinney and that the poster in Jubilee Green had been ripped down, it would appear that the majority of new posters put up by Councillor Hellgren-Derry and Mrs Tring on 21st January were still in place. Even so, Councillor Hellgren-Derry will be liaising with Thames Valley Police to see what ideas and posters they may be able to offer to help with the campaign. It was also noted that the village shop now sells dog poop bags. Mrs Tring suggested that new residents (particularly those at the Taylor Wimpey and Martin Grant estates) be informed of the Council's zero tolerance stance when it comes to dog mess.

	<p>ACTION: Councillor Hellgren-Derry and Mrs Tring to consider ideas to take forward.</p> <p>d. Consultation Documents The Slapton Neighbourhood Plan has been circulated for comment. ACTION: Councillor Roe and Sally Chapman to consider the plan and comment if appropriate.</p> <p>e. Planning Applications</p> <p>i. Footpath closure across Woodlands Estate. Councillor Stuart clarified that this was not a closure of the footpath; it was a permanent redirection of the footpath.</p> <p>ii. An application has been received to construct a single storey extension to the side of 1 Prospect Place, Wing.</p> <p>iii. An application has been received to change the pitch of the roof at 2 High Street, Burcott.</p> <p>iv. An application has been received to construct a single storey extension to the rear of 1 Waterloo Barns, Leighton Road, Wing.</p> <p>v. An application has been received to replace an existing residential dwelling on land adjacent to 1 & 2 Lancaster Business Park, Cublington Road, Wing.</p> <p>The Council also noted and discussed the significant increase in the number of heavy lorries travelling through the village that were being used by learner drivers, and the impact it was having on Wing and the surrounding villages. The name of the company supplying the vehicles was CTT and was based at a site off the road between Stewkley and Wing. Councillor Kelly confirmed that any vehicle over 7.5 tonnes requires an operators licence. ACTION: Clerk to check/confirm licence requirements with Department of Transport. ACTION: Clerk to confirm the number of licences held by CTT that allow operation from that site (if necessary, involve Matt Whincup of BCC).</p>	
<p>638. Recreation Ground Project – Update</p>	<p>Councillor Stuart reported that an application for funding made to LMCT, to support the provision of extra facilities at the tennis club, had been declined on the grounds that other applications had shown more in terms of getting residents to be more active and providing sports for the disabled. LMCT had to prioritise their grants and unfortunately Wing had missed out.</p> <p>Councillor Stuart referred to Paul Lambert’s paper circulated prior to the meeting and requested that a meeting be held on the evening of Monday 6th January to more fully discuss the three tender offers outlined in the paper. It was agreed the meeting should be considered an extraordinary Wing PC meeting. In response to a question from Mr Parrish, Councillor Roe confirmed that the Council would not charge for the use of the MUGA as the Council is</p>	

only a trustee of land. Users of the MUGA would, however, be required to purchase electricity tokens when appropriate.
ACTION: Clerk to arrange meeting in Village Hall on the evening of 6th February to discuss the three tenders outlined in Paul Lambert's paper and let councillors know venue/time of meeting.
ACTION: Clerk to minute the meeting.
ACTION: Councillor Stuart to circulate email from Paul Lambert containing detailed requirements and specifications ahead of the meeting.

639. Finance
a. Accounts for Payment
b. Balances

a. Wing Parish Council accounts for payment December 2016 and January 2017

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			Amount	VAT
Goldleaf Groundcare	Grasscutting	s/o	£ 288.96	48.16
Eon	Street Lighting Power	d/d	£ 266.88	44.48
Wing Hall Trust	Library Hire and Committee Room	electronic	£ 49.99	
Goldleaf Groundcare	Grasscutting	s/o	£ 288.96	48.16
Wing Hall Trust	Library Hire and Storage	electronic	£ 62.04	
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AVG renewal	Virus checker	electronic	£ 34.99	5.83
The Ramblers Association	Donate a Gate	electronic	£ 250.00	
Wing Hall Trust	Committee Rm and Small Hall	electronic	£ 34.79	
Wickstead	Playground inspection	electronic	£ 54.00	9.00
Eon	Street Lighting Power	d/d	£ 275.77	45.96
Antonia Blake	Litter collection (Dec.)	cheque	£ 250.00	
What's On In Wing	Minutes and advertising	cheque	£ 90.00	
Antonia Blake	Litter collection (Dec.) - u/pyt on invoice	cheque	£ 50.00	
Antonia Blake	Litter collection (Jan.)	cheque	£ 375.00	
Goldleaf Groundcare	Grasscutting	s/o	£ 288.96	48.16
Berni Blunden	Minute taking and meeting	cheque	£ 50.00	

Balances @ 31 January 2017

Long Spinney a/c
BMM a/c
Community a/c

	<i>BMM War Memorial</i>	£	5,146.47
	Accounts were PROPOSED and APPROVED by the Committee.		
<p>640. Items for Discussion:</p> <p>a. To agree the proposal that ‘Wing Parish Council will set up a Planning Committee’.</p> <p>b. Councillors’ Roles and Responsibilities</p> <p>c. WPC to work with Ascott House to make planning application to Bucks Highways to reduce the speed limit along the A418 from Wing to the Leighton Buzzard roundabout.</p> <p>d. Data protection/g mail.</p> <p>e. Consider whether Wing should have a defibrillator.</p> <p>f. Request from Long Spinney for a bench.</p> <p>g. Bins outside</p>	<p>a. Deferred to next meeting</p> <p>b. Councillors’ roles and responsibilities were reviewed. The revised list is attached to these minutes.</p> <p>c. Councillor Stuart explained that Ascott House wishes to change the main public entrance to the estate from its current location to the cricket club entrance further along the A418 nearer Leighton Buzzard. As part of that plan Ascott House also wishes to change the speed limit on the A418 between Wing and the Leighton Buzzard roundabout, reducing it from 60mph to 40mph. Wing Parish Council was being asked to approve and support the proposed change in speed limit. It was agreed the project would be approved and supported subject to Ascott House funding all costs associated with the proposed changes. ACTION: Councillor Stuart to confirm Council’s position to Ascott House.</p> <p>d. Deferred to next meeting.</p> <p>e. Deferred to next meeting.</p> <p>f. This was approved at the last meeting with funding of approximately £780 being made available.</p> <p>g. Councillor Stuart highlighted the problem of members of the public using the bins outside the chemist and shop to dispose of household waste – not their intended purpose. Although it was accepted that the bin outside the shop would have to remain in place, it was agreed, on the advice of Claire Aughterlony, that the bin outside the chemist should be removed completely (although we may request that it be reinstated at a later date). ACTION: Councillor Stuart to contact Claire Aughterlony to confirm the Council’s decision and to request the appropriate action be taken.</p> <p>h. Deferred to next meeting.</p> <p>i. Deferred to next meeting.</p>		

chemist and on the recreation ground. h. War memorial. i. Tree cutting – Jubilee Green.		
641. Date of next meeting	Tuesday 28 th February 2017 at 8pm, Wing Village Hall	

Signed _____ Dated _____
