

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of Council Members at Sherington First School on Tuesday, 04 April 2000 at 7.30 pm

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Storage Compound off Bedford Road. One 2 One Personal Communications Ltd
 - 5.1.3 00/400/LBC Listed Building Consent for Conversion of Barn into Bed and Breakfast Accommodation. The White Hart, Gun Lane. Mr K Shepherd.
 - 5.2 99/1593/FUL **MKC Permit** the Conversion of Outbuilding to Provide Bed and Breakfast Accommodation at The White Hart, Gun Lane.
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 - 11.1 ~~Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 04 April at 7.30 pm. Sherington School.~~
 - 11.2 Annual Parish Meeting: Tuesday, 09 May 2000 - 7.00 pm at Sherington School followed by May Meeting at approximately 7.30 pm (when new Chairman will be elected).

Pearl Teasdale
Clerk to Sherington Parish Council

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 04 April 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mr W Haynes (in the Chair), Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis

Apologies were received from Mr A Pilcher, who is away on business.
Apologies also from MK Cllr Mrs Pat Seymour who has a MK Council meeting.

Declaration of Interest. Mrs Haynes Declared Interest in Item 5.1.2. Mr Keene agreed to take the Chair for the whole of Item 5. **PLANNING.**

2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES** were agreed and signed as a correct record.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- 3.1 **Village Notice Boards - PPF 1999/2000.** Mrs Hayes reported she and Mrs Bearman had met to discuss which notice boards to recommend the PC purchase for the village. Mrs Bearman reported that the £200 donated to the school by the PC in 1996 had been spent on a sports trolley. The PTFA still has £200 from funds to contribute towards a notice board for the school.

Proposed: Three estimates be sent to MKC requesting the one from Mr John Risby be accepted for PPF grant. Mrs Hayes. All agreed.

APR '99/03
ONGOING

- 3.2 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** Mrs Bearman reported the paintings had been identified and said Mr P E Smith suggests the PC have five photocopies of each painting made and the originals sold. Mr Smith suggested the money raised could be used to make a purchase for the village. Four sponsors have already promised money for restoration of the pictures. Mrs Bearman to enquire about cost of photocopying the paintings. Mr Lewis stated he would also sponsor a painting, a copy of which will be purchased by the Twinning Association to present to visitors from Sameon.

Proposed: The paintings are not sold, but are kept in safe storage by the PC. Further responses from the note in SCAN be awaited. Mr Keene. All agreed.

(KH/CLERK)
NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING

This matter to be discussed again at the next meeting. All agreed.

- 3.3 **Water Lane Sewer.** Mr Keene telephoned Mr Dewey at AWS. He reported that AWS has no firm programme to upgrade the sewer; only routine maintenance will be carried out. Work on the sewer will be reviewed if major development is planned for the area. Members are very disappointed with this response.

(CLERK)

- 3.4 **Sherington Mound.** The Clerk reported that MK Cllr Pat Seymour had contacted Mr Steve Crowther re maintenance. It is recommended that this is carried out under Section 136 Arrangements. The entire area of land is now owned by MKC.

JUN '93/03
ONGOING

Proposed: MKC be asked the following: a) how much extra on S136 payments and will this be added to present S136 payments for 2000/2001? b) when and how often will maintenance take place? Mr Keene. All agreed.

(CLERK)
JAN '00/5.3

- 3.5 **Clerk: a) hours; b) income tax.** Mrs Haynes read out the proposition Mr Pilcher wished the PC to consider with regard to paying overtime to the Clerk for extra work on the Parish Appraisal. There was some misunderstanding over this matter and the Clerk answered the queries briefly.

Proposed: Mr Pilcher be asked to put his proposition to the PC when he is present at the next meeting. Mr Keene. All agreed.

(CLERK)

- 3.6. **Maintenance Items:**

3.6.1. **Grass Cutting Agreements.** a) Sinfield Landscapes have sent written confirmation of the agreement. Cost of each cut £40.00 plus VAT, as previous two years.

b) Giles Ferris: PC letter has been sent asking for confirmation of the agreement.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during March was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional list was given to councillors at the meeting. The following items were discussed:

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- 4.1 'Library Service Review'. Councillors agreed they had no comments to make. (CLERK)
- 4.2 'MK Rural Youth Project - Mobile "Coffee Shop"'. PC had commented by telephone that it has no objections and suggested contacting Mr Cook at Manor Farm (as farmyard had been suggested by MKC as suitable parking area). Letter to Mr Pilcher from Youth Club indicates that the car park by the pavilion is now suggested.
Proposed: Contact Rural Youth Officer and ask for further details, ie use of pavilion toilets required; one-off or regular use? (CLERK)
- 4.3 Use of The Knoll for May Day Celebrations. Councillors agreed use. (CLERK)
- 4.4 Use of VH Car Park & part of Play Area for Church Fete. Councillors agreed to use. (CLERK)
- 4.5 Litter Blitz Campaign. Notice too short to be able to participate.

5. PLANNING:

Mrs Haynes handed over the Chair to Mr Keene before leaving the meeting.

- 5.1 Planning Lists 07.03.00; 14.03.00; 21.03.00 received
- 5.1.1 00/336/FUL New Reception Block. Charlesberry Kennels. Stuart Clarke. NO COMMENT
- 5.1.2 00/391/TNOG Determination under Part 24 of Schedule 2 of GPDO for Erection of 15m Monopole, Three Cross Polar Antennas, One Microwave Dish and Associated Telecommunications Equipment Housing Cabin. Storage Compound off Bedford Road. One 2 One Personal Communications Ltd.
Proposed: Comments made by councillors, when plans were circulated, be sent to MKC: *PC requests investigation to be undertaken into the possibility of a communal mast, of pleasing design, for all companies to share. Another pole is an extra blot on the landscape.*
Enquire if there have been any problems from the microwaves.
Mr Keene. All agreed.
- 5.1.3 00/400/LBC Listed Building Consent for Conversion of Barn into Bed and Breakfast Accommodation. The White Hart, Gun Lane. Mr K Shepherd.
This is for information only as the following notification has been received:
- 5.2 99/1593/FUL **MKC Permit** the Conversion of Outbuilding to Provide Bed and Breakfast Accommodation at The White Hart, Gun Lane.

Mrs Haynes rejoined the meeting and took over the Chair from Mr Keene.

6. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

- 6.1 Resignation of Councillor Michael Cook. A letter of resignation (to take effect immediately) has been received by the Chairman of the Council, Mr Pilcher. Mr Pilcher sent a written request that Mr Cook's resignation be accepted, with regret, and a letter sent thanking him for all work on the council and for his and the Cook's family contribution to the village.
Proposed: Letter (as requested) be sent. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
- 6.2 Best Kept Village Competition 2000. A proposal was put to the meeting, after some discussion on this matter.
Proposed: Sherington will not enter the competition this year. Mr Haynes. Agreed by majority of councillors.
- 6.3 Youth Shelters. After a brief discussion it was agreed the PC does not have sufficient funds to provide a Youth Shelter in the village.

7. REPORTS.

- 7.1 MKALC. Mr Pilcher had attended the quarterly meeting and given the Clerk a verbal report. This is included in the Clerk's Report.
- 7.2 Police Consultative Group. Mrs Hayes had attended a recent meeting in which the crime figures for the area were reported. Between January and March 2000 there was one crime reported in Sherington. In the rural area there is a large increase in drug related crimes, ie 70% of all crimes are now drug related. There is an overall increase in the crime figures because of the different way of calculating.
Mrs Hayes reported to the group the problem of poor visibility on the filter lane at the roundabout from Sherington to Olney. The Police will take this up with MKC.

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7.3 Clerk's Report

- 7.3.1 AALs. MKALC wrote to MKC on behalf of the rural parishes objecting to the parcel of land being removed from the AAL, east of the A509.
- 7.3.2 Local Gvt (Organisation & Standards) Bill - New Democratic Structure. MKALC agreed that changes in the number and structures of committees and forums would not benefit the rural parishes in any way. MKC has been advised of this.
- 7.3.3 MK Forum. 'The First 2000 Years'. Six copies of the booklet have been ordered for councillors and payment has been made by the Clerk with a personal cheque.
- 7.3.4 Audit. The Audit Commission has not agreed for local companies to audit PC accounts, as indicated in a recent letter from the Minister at the DETR.
- 7.3.5 Damage to the Mr and Mrs Pilcher's car. Mr Pilcher has advised the Clerk that a stone, thrown up by the PC's mower (operated by Giles Ferris) has damaged the door of his vehicle (VW Golf). The accident happened on Saturday 01.04.2000, whilst The Knoll was being mown. Cornhill Insurance has been notified and a return call from them is awaited.
- 7.3.6 Various problems in Perry Lane. These matters, as reported in 'Public Question Time' last month, have been passed to MK Cllr Mrs Seymour who is dealing with the problems.

8. ACCOUNTS

- 8.1 Accounts 1998/1999. The Clerk presented three copies of the amended accounts sheets to the PC.
Proposed: The accounts sheets be accepted. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.
 As Chair of the Meeting, Mrs Haynes signed all copies, two of which will be sent to District Audit.
 The Clerk will display the Balance Sheet and Summary Sheet on the Notice Board with the Notice of Completion of Audit when the amended sheets have been approved and one copy returned by District Audit.
- 8.2 District Audit Invoice. An invoice has been received from District Audit for the 1997/1998 and 1998/1999 Accounts. The Clerk has queried the amount charged for the 1998/1999 Accounts with the auditor (Mrs Diane Hart) and was informed that the audit has not yet been completed, the amount charged is incorrect and a credit note will be sent to the PC.
 It was agreed to hold the complete invoice until the credit note has been received and the correct amount for 1998/1999 is charged.

8.3 Accounts for Payment.

<u>Additional Accounts for March 2000</u>	£	chq no	min. ref.
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Salary (March 2000)	179.52	100938	897/3.7
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (March 2000)	20.32	100939	897/3.7
<u>Accounts for April</u>			
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity	11.50	D/D	
MKC - Annual Tax for Pavilion 2000/2001	237.17	100940	
BALC - Annual Subs 2000/2001	113.55	100941	
ANGLIAN WATER SVS - Metered Water (Pav.)	<u>97.18</u>	100942	
TOTAL	459.40		
Received from Custom & Excise for VAT Refund:	£500.72		
Treasurers Account (as at 17.03.2000)	£772.37		
Enterprise Account (as at 17.03.2000)	£9045.62		
Business No-Notice Account (Cricket Club funds)	£664.30		
Country Watch Treasurers A/C Statement	£83.58		
Country Watch Business No-Notice A/C Statement	£153.20		
Cellphones £11.07 + £10.98			

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Proposed Mr Lewis, seconded Mr Keene. Agreed.

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9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.

- 9.1 Display of Paintings. Mr Hulston suggested the Edith Lucas paintings be displayed at the Village Hall on May Day. Unfortunately, during 'Public Question Time' session, the PC cannot agree a proposition to pay for the hire of the Village Hall. It was agreed to display the paintings at a future date and to organise a small committee to do this.
- 9.2 Diseased Oak Tree in Water Lane. Mr Whatton asked what progress has been made with this problem. The matter is with MKC.
- 9.3 Sale of Cars at Sherington Bridge Farm. Mr Whatton voiced concern about cars being on display for sale in the gateway of the farm and considers it to be a traffic hazard.
- 9.4 Sherington Mound. Mr Ferris reported that BBC Look East have been filming on the mound. This is probably connected with flooding in the area.
- 9.5 Long Term Development in the Area. Mr John Cook asked if the PC has any up-to-date information. Mr Keene said a report had been published. The 'triangle' between three counties has become a 'quadrangle', ie Beds., Northants., MK and Corby. Consultations will take place between the Counties, District Councils and various agencies.
- 9.6 Sherington Village Appraisal. Mr John Cook asked if the PC is continuing with this project. No further work has been carried out as yet.
- 9.7 Photocopying Paintings. Mr John Cook said it is uncertain how long photocopies will last. There is also more problems with photocopying water colours. Mr Cook said the PC made the correct decision to keep the original paintings.
- 9.8 Casual Vacancy. Mr Whatton asked a question about this matter. No decision by the council can be made until the poster, reporting the vacancy, had been displayed for 14 days. If 10 residents have not requested an election by that time then the council can co-opt.

10. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.

- 10.1 Car Parking in Crofts End. Mrs Bearman reported there is no off-road parking at 43 Crofts End. The present tenant now wishes to have hard-standing for her car. Mrs Bearman asked if the PC is able to support an application to MKC for this. Mrs Haynes said she would first inspect the area and report back to the PC.
- 10.2 Broken Stile. Mrs Bearman reported a broken stile on a footpath near Mill Lane. Councillors will inspect the area to ascertain whether this is PC or J W Cook & Son property.

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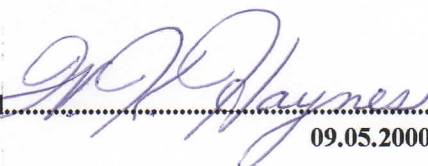
(ALL CLLRS)

11. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:

- 11.1 Annual Parish Meeting. Tuesday, 09 May 2000 at 7.00 pm followed by
- 11.2 Parish Council Meeting at approximately 7.30 pm. Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed.....



09.05.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 7

(Received during March 2000)

- MKC - 'NEWS'. March 2000
Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001 - application forms.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets dated 03.03.2000; 10.03.2000; 16.03.2000
- MKC - 'Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum'. Agenda for mtg 23.03.2000.
- EB MILTON KEYNES LTD - Invitation to Clerk to attend presentation on *15 May 2000 6.00-7.30 pm*
at Coronation Hall, Water Eaton.
- MKC - Dog Fouling Meeting. Minutes of mtg held on 28.02.2000 plus 2 x flyers re campaign & micro-chips.
Leaflets from various suppliers of dog litter bins etc.
- MKC - 'Housing Investment Programme Strategy'. Letter, consultation documents & summary sheet.
- NALC - 'Local Council Review'. March 2000.
- MKC - 'Library Review Service'. Letter reminding PC that no comments have been made as yet.
- MKC - 'MK Rural Youth Project - Mobile "Coffee Shop"'. Letter reminding PC that no comments have been made.
- MK WEB - Letter requesting information for the new website. Leaflet enclosed.
- MKC - 'New Democratic Structures'. Letter with comments on feedback.
- MKC - 'Charges for Cleansing and Waste Management Services'. Letter giving details of the services affected.
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT - March 2000. Issue 8
- SLCC - Notice of AGM at Annual Conference. 30 April 2000.
- MKC - 'Milton Keynes Landscape Character Study'. Letter & document produced by Caroline Clapson.
- BALC - 'Energy Purchase Consortium'. Notice of meeting to be held 10 April 2000 at County Hall.
- MK COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE PARTNERSHIP - Letter and documents
- MKC - 'Transfer of Responsibility for Parish Liaison'. Letter from Paul Robinson re changes at MKC.
- MKC - 'Litter Blitz Campaign'. Poster and information re campaign 8-15 April 2000.
- JS SPORTS - Details of equipment.
- MAY DAY COMMITTEE - Letter asking for permission to use The Knoll and for the grass to be cut prior to May Day
- ST LAUD'S CHURCH COMMITTEE - Letter asking for permission to use VH Car Park and part of the Play Area on
Sunday, 04 June 2000 for the Church Fete
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Notification that grass cutting has commenced and a form for complaints.

ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AT THE END OF MARCH 2000

- GLASDON - 'Seating Collection' brochure
- BUCKS & MK FIRE AUTHORITY - 'Performance Plan for Best Value'. Brochure 2000/2001
- MKC - 'Parish Council Traffic Briefing'. Bus Services changes April 2000
Delegated powers sheet dated 24 March 2000
Bulk Skip Container Service - Perry Lane Car Park 16-18 May; Leys View 04-06 July 2000.
- MKC - 7 Hill View. MKC **Permit** the Erection of Front Porch and Replace Existing Flat Garage Roof
with Pitched.
- EB MILTON KEYNES LTD - Change of address (from CMK to Bletchley).

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A G E N D A

1. PRESENT
2. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS
 - 2.1 Chairman
 - 2.2 Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office
 - 2.3 Vice Chairman
 - 2.4 Other Appointments
3. PREVIOUS MINUTES
4. MATTERS ARISING:
 - 4.1 Village Notice Boards (PPF 1999/2000)
 - 4.2 Edith Lucas Paintings
 - 4.3 Damage to car caused by PC mower
 - 4.4 Sherington Mound
 - 4.5 Youth Project - Mobile "Coffee Shop"
5. CORRESPONDENCE (see separate sheet)
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 - 6.1 Planning Lists: 28.03.2000; 04.04.2000; 11.04.2000; 19.04.2000; 27.04.2000 received
 - 6.1.1 00/496/FUL Part Side, Part Rear Single Storey Side Extension. 14 Water Lane. Mr S Redpath
 - 6.1.2 00/519/FUL Relocation and Replacement of Existing Gates.
Manor House, 4 High Street. Mr and Mrs A Stewart
 - 6.1.3 00/554/FUL First Floor Front Extension including Dormer Window at Front and Rear
3 Maryot Close. Mr and Mrs Hawkes
7. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
 - 7.1 Proposed Registration of Land adjacent to Play Area off Carters Close.
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 - 9.1 Audit Certificate - Signed-off Accounts for 1998/1999
 - 9.2 1999/2000 Accounts
 - 9.3 Accounts for Payment (see separate sheet)
10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
11. COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS
12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
 - 12.1 Tuesday 06 June 2000 at 7.30 pm. Sherington School.

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ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mrs W Haynes, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis, Mr A Pilcher.

Declaration of Interest. Mr Pilcher Declared Interest in Item 4.2.

2. **NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS.**

- 2.1 Chairman. Mr Pilcher proposed Mrs W Haynes, seconded by Mr Keene. Mrs Haynes pronounced her willingness to stand as Chair. There were no further nominations. Mrs Haynes was unanimously elected as Chair for the coming year.
- 2.2 Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Mrs Haynes signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office book.
Mrs Haynes then took over the Chair of the meeting and thanked Mr Pilcher for all his hard work during the year.
- 2.3 Vice Chairman. Mr Pilcher proposed Mr D Keene, seconded by Mrs Haynes. Mr Keene pronounced his willingness to stand as Vice-Chairman. There were no further nominations. Mr Keene was unanimously elected as Vice-Chair for the coming year.
- 2.4 Other appointments. The following appointments were unanimously agreed by the council:
Minor Authority Representative on Sherington School Governing Body. Mrs C Bearman
Village Hall Committee. Mrs W Haynes
Sherington Twinning Association Committee. Mrs K Hayes/Mr W Lewis.
Road Safety Consultative Group. Mr A Pilcher/any other member.
PC Planning Committee. Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis and one other member.
MKALC. Mr A Pilcher and one other member.
Police Consultative Group. Mrs K Hayes
Internal Auditor. Matter of appointment to be on the agenda for next meeting.
Millennium Committee. Any member.
Responsibility for Recreation Facilities. Mrs W Haynes and Mr D Keene.
MKC Dog Fouling Partnership Meeting. Any member or Clerk may attend.
MKC Committees. Any member to attend when necessary.

(CLERK)

3. **PREVIOUS MINUTES** were unanimously agreed, then signed by the new Chairman, as a correct record.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- 4.1 Village Notice Boards - PPF 1999/2000. Mrs Hayes had passed the relevant information to the Clerk, who sent three estimates to MKC, with the request that the estimate from Mr Risby be accepted.
Location of the Parish Council notice board to be decided after councillors have considered the matter during the month. Item for next month's agenda.
- 4.2 Edith Lucas Paintings. A further note has been put in SCAN regarding sponsors. There are seven sponsors at present. Some successful photo-copies have been produced, one of which has been framed and presented to our Twinned partners from Sameon. Ideas of how to mount and present copies for sale was put forward by Mr Lewis. Decisions need to be made regarding costings and marketing of limited copies. Mrs Bearman will present this further information at the next meeting.
- 4.3 Damage to car caused by PC Mower. Mr Pilcher was asked to stay in the meeting to enable councillors to ask questions on this matter.
The Clerk has received letters from Mr Pilcher and Giles Ferris re the accident. A claim form is awaited from Cornhill Ins. This will be completed and sent with the two letters. The Clerk has received advice from BALC that the PC should not be working two systems. There was considerable discussion on this matter and it was accepted by members that in future contractors will need their own insurance and will use their own equipment. The Clerk was asked to request a copy of insurance cover from Mr Allen (Sinfield Landscapes) who mows the Recreation Field.
Proposed: Giles Ferris be asked if he wished to be employed by PC and use the council's mower or to be a contractor with his own mower and be fully insured. Mrs Haynes. Agreed.
Proposed: A pro-forma be available in future for contractors to sign, agreeing to PC terms and conditions. Mr Keene. All agreed.

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NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING

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APR '00/7.3.5
ONGOING

(CLERK)

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- 4.4 Sherington Mound. The Clerk has received a 'phone call from Mr Crowther who gave the following information: i) S136 Arrangements: nothing will be charged for this year. JUN '93/03 ONGOING
 ii) The maintenance will be low-key so not costly (but actual amount not yet known).
 iii) The land is in the ownership of MKC and is designated as 'Highways Land'.
 iv) Car park will be commenced soon. Stable gravel will be used, which will be suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs. The entrance will probably be tarmac (as Highway Dept decree and maintained by Highways).
 v) If there is enough money, steps to the top of the mound will be built.
 vi) MKC will be responsible for the area, including Public Liability Insurance.
 Mr Crowther said he would put all the above in writing to the PC.
- 4.5 Youth Project - Mobile "Coffee Shop". The Clerk reported on her telephone conversation with the Youth Officer responsible for the project.
Proposed: A trial period of 4 sessions be offered - any evening except Wednesday.
 Mr Lewis. All agreed. (CLERK)
 The Chairman to obtain a key for the Clerk to open the pavilion, so toilets may be used. (WH/CLERK)
 Councillors expressed interest in visiting the bus when it is *in situ*.
5. CORRESPONDENCE. List of correspondence received during April was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional list was given to councillors at the meeting. The following was discussed:
- 5.1 Draft Planning Guidance for the S-E. Leaflet to be photo-copied for all councillors. (DK/CLERK)
 All relevant correspondence to be circulated to councillors. (CLERK)
6. PLANNING:
- 6.1 Planning Lists 28.03.00; 04.04.00; 11.04.00; 18.04.00; 27.04.00 received
- 5.1.1 00/496/FUL Part Side, Part Rear Single Storey Side Extension.
 14 Water Lane. Mr S Redpath
Proposed: Comments be sent to MKC about the design of the extension - suggest plans are re-worked. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
- 5.1.2 00/519/FUL Relocation and Replacement of Existing Gates.
 Manor House, 4 High Street. Mr and Mrs A Stewart. NO COMMENTS
- 5.1.3 00/554/FUL First Floor Front Extension including Dormer Window at Front and Rear. 3 Maryot Close. Mr and Mrs Hawkes. NO COMMENTS
7. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
- 7.1 Proposed Registration of Land adjacent to Play Area off Carters Close. Letter received from Land Registry regarding a piece of land adjacent to PC property to be taken into the ownership of Mr and Mrs Burton at 46 Carters Close. Councillors have inspected the area.
Proposed: Land Registry to be informed the PC has no objection. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
 A letter has also been received from a resident regarding a further piece of land containing two trees of particular concern. A check to be made on whether or not the beech tree has a preservation order on it. (CLERK)
- 7.2 Casual Vacancy for Parish Councillor. Clerk has been notified by MKC that an election has not been requested by residents. A letter has been received from Mrs Moira Gorf stating she is interested in the vacancy. Two other people have shown interest and the Clerk has advised them to write to the council.
Proposed: A member be co-opted at the June meeting. Mrs Haynes. All agreed. (ALL CLLRS)
- 7.3 Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001. The Clerk wished to know if the councillors have any other projects they wish to put forward other than the one suggested at the Precept Meeting, ie a Consultant to help with Parish Appraisal. This is unlikely to get a 50% grant from PPF this year.
Proposed: Councillors make personal contact with individuals and organisations to ask if there are projects they wish considered. These matters to be brought to the next meeting. Mrs Haynes. All agreed. (ALL CLLRS)
 The Clerk reminded councillors that funding from PPF can only be obtained if PC's have the powers to spend money.
8. REPORTS.
- 8.1 Police Consultative Group. Mrs Hayes reported that although she and a few other members had attended the NP Police Station for the meeting, the officers had not arrived. However, several matters were talked over with our Rural Constable, Reg Webster.
 No specific crime figures were available, but there has recently been a distraction burglary in Emberton, also quad bikes and trailers have been stolen from farms.

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Police Consultative Group (cont.) Emberton lay-by should be closed very soon. Specific police response times were given: Routine - 2 days; Priority - 4/5 hrs; Immediate 10/15 mins. Police consider the parked lorries in Crofts End are not a traffic hazard.

- 8.2 Twinning Association. Mr Lewis gave a report on the visit of families from Sameon. Several events were planned and were very successful. At the lunch in the village hall on the Sunday an Edith Lucas framed print was presented. On May Day the visitors joined in the celebrations on The Knoll, one visitor from Sameon winning the Fun Run.

8.3 Clerk's Report

8.3.1 Corn Close. Problems have been experienced again with the builders who are working on 18 School Lane. MKC was informed. The path will be resurfaced when all the work has been completed.

The problem of the digger being parked in the school lay-by is a highways matter.

8.3.2 Annual SLCC Conference. The Clerk attended the conference in Nottingham. Many of the lectures were about 'Best Practice', 'Best Value' and the future of local councils. A report will be circulated to councillors.

8.3.3 Design Statement. Document has been received, which is similar to that obtained previously. There are no free copies of the video, but we can obtain one on loan if required.

8.3.4 Clerk's Hours and Income Tax. Mr Pilcher agreed not to put his proposition regarding overtime payment to the Clerk. The Clerk has not asked the PC to make any overtime payments to her and does not wish to receive such payments.

8.3.5 Various problems in Perry Lane. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour has reported these matters to MKC. There is still a lot of litter and large items of rubbish in the area.

The tenants at 43 Crofts End require off-road parking. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour to advise Clerk the name of engineer responsible for this work at MKC.

Proposed: Letter be sent to MKC supporting the tenants' application for hard standing. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

(CLERK)

9. ACCOUNTS

- 9.1 Audit Certificate - Signed-off Accounts for 1998/1999. The Clerk has received the Audit Certificate and a notice has been posted on the PC notice board.

Accounts were made available at the meeting and these will be circulated to all councillors. Credit note and revised invoice for these accounts still awaited.

(CLERK)

- 9.2 1999/2000 Accounts. Receipts and Payments Balance Sheet was presented and agreed. Chairman and Clerk signed cash book.

Mr Michael Cook was not able to carry out Internal Audit before the meeting, but will meet with the Clerk tomorrow (10 May 2000). Report on Internal Audit will be given next month.

8.3 Accounts for Payment.

	£	chq no	min. ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion electricity	11.50	D/D	
CORNHILL INSURANCE - Annual premium for Mower	63.00	100943	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Salary (April 2000)	179.52	100944	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (April 2000)	29.87	100945	
TOTAL	283.89		

Treasurers Account (as at 18.04.2000) £1098.43

Enterprise Account (as at 18.04.2000) £8065.82

MKC Half-yearly precept & S136 discount payment £5011.50

(not included in above figures)

Country Watch Treasurers A/C Statement £61.66

Cellphones £10.98 + £10.98

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Proposed Mr Lewis, seconded Mr Keene. Agreed.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.

- 10.1 Sale of Cars at Sherington Bridge Farm. Mr Whatton asked if the PC had made a complaint to MKC regarding the sale of cars, which he considered caused a traffic hazard. The Clerk had been in touch with the Planning Dept and also with the Police. This is a matter for the Enforcement Officer.

Proposed. Letter to be sent to Mrs Stannard, Enforcement Officer at MKC. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

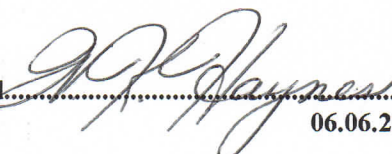
- 10.2 Diseased Tree Water Lane. Mr Whatton asked why this tree had not been felled. The owner is aware of the problem and the matter has been passed to MKC.

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Public Question Time (cont.)

- 10.3 Parking of Contractors' Vehicles in School Lay-by. Mr Whatton voiced concern about the parking of the large vehicles near the school, whilst building work is being carried out at 18 School Lane. MKC to be informed and a letter to be sent to the developer. (CLERK)
- 10.4 Level of land at 18 School Lane. Mr Ferris reported that the level of land, at the rear of the property now being built, has been raised considerably. Spoil from foundations and debris have been buried and not carried away. MKC Planning Dept to be informed. (CLERK)
- 10.5 Weeds in Corn Close. Mr Hulston asked if the weeds can be strimmed by the landscaping contractors. Clerk to contact Vincent Landscapes. (CLERK)
- 10.6 Mowing of PC Land. Mr John Cook suggested the PC consider including the cutting of the grass in S 136.
- 10.7 Edith Lucas Paintings. Mr John Cook asked who will benefit financially from the sale of the copies. The councillors will consider this matter. (ALL CLLRS)
- 10.8 Village Appraisal. Mr John Cook asked if this matter has been considered again. A sub-committee to be set up to include Mrs Haynes, Mr Keene and Mr Lewis. Mr Pilcher said he could be available after June. Co-options may be considered. Matter for next month's agenda. (CLERK)
- 10.9 Cemetery Land - Fence. Mr Ferris reported the poor state of the fence bordering PC cemetery land. This now needs replacing.
- 10.10 Lighting of Perry Lane. Mrs Inga Marais complained about the poor lighting in Perry Lane. The Chairman said that many residents would like extra street lamps, but they are very costly to provide. Mr Ferris asked the council to consider that Sherington is a rural area and many people live in the village for this reason, and prefer it not to be lit like Milton Keynes.
- 10.11 Mobile "Coffee Shop". Mrs Tania Smith asked the ages of the young people involved in this project. The ages will be 13 to 25 years.
- 10.12 Crofts End Parking. Mr Michael Cook said he is very concerned about the parking in Crofts End (near High Street) because there are three lorries parked which are likely to cause an accident. MKC will not put yellow lines on the road because the police do not have resources to police the traffic in the area.
- 10.13 Livestock in Fields. Mr Michael Cook asked for a note to be put in SCAN regarding dogs to be kept on a lead whilst there is livestock in the fields. Agreed. (CLERK)
- 10.14 Registration of Land. Mrs Clare King wished to comment that the ash tree on the land adjacent to that now being registered has been lopped and cared for in the past and she would like to retain access. Clerk to provide address of Land Registry. (CLERK)
- 11. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.**
- 11.1 Headteacher for Sherington School. Mrs Bearman reported that no official appointment has been made, so the school will have an interim headteacher from September.
- 11.2 Rubbish in Gun Lane. Mrs Bearman reported black bags and a concrete post have been dumped in Gun Lane. Clerk to contact Cleansing Dept. (CLERK)
- 11.3 New Fence at property in High Street. Mrs Bearman asked if the fence needed planning permission. The Clerk has checked with the Planning Dept and the fence does not need planning permission.
- 11.4 Thanks to Organisers of May Day Celebrations. Mrs Bearman wished thanks to be recorded for the hard work of those who organised celebrations on May Day. Note for SCAN. (CLERK)
- 11.5 Milepost. Mrs Hayes said the milepost needs refurbishing. MKC to be asked to do this work. (CLERK)
- 11.6 Sewage Effluent into the Ouse. Mrs Hayes reported on an advertisement in the local paper regarding this matter. Mr Keene said he would enquire of AWS and report back. (DK)
- 11.7 Public Liability Insurance. Mr Pilcher asked if councillors are covered when doing voluntary work. The Clerk confirmed councillors are covered by the PC's insurance.
- 11.8 Road Sign at Sherington Turn. Mrs Haynes said the sign at the T junction has disappeared. Clerk to investigate this matter. (CLERK)
- 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**
- 12.1 Tuesday, 06 June 2000 at 7.30 pm. Venue: Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Signed..........
06.06.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 7

(Received during April and beginning May 2000)

- BALC - 'Seminar on VAT & Section 137' for members. County Hall, Aylesbury, 19.05.2000 at 7.00 pm
- MKC - Letter & map re verge adjacent to 2 Gun Lane. Magistrates made an Order to stop up the highway (*ie land reinstated at 2 Gun Lane & incorporated in Mr and Mrs Gaskin's garden*).
- STONEPOUND BOOKS - Order form for second edition of 'How to Stop & Influence Planning Permission' @ £13.50 ea.
- MKC - 'Best Value Performance Plan 2000-2001'. Letter & report from Corporate Policy Unit
- BUCKS COMMUNITY ACTION - Issue 9. Spring 2000.
- MKC - Letter and Minutes of Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum (STARS) meeting.
- MKC - 'Telecommunications Systems Policy'. Letter & document with response sheet. **Comments to be with MKC before 10.07.2000.**
- MKC - 00/280/TCA - **MKC Permit** works to be carried out on various trees at the Manor House, High Street.
00/391/TNOG - **MKC Refuse Permission** for 15M Monopole etc and Equipment Housing Cabin at the Storage Compound, Bedford Road.
Copy of letter sent to ONE 2 ONE regarding the above.
- MK FORUM - Bulletin no 74. April 2000.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets dated 31.03.2000; 07.04.2000; 14.04.2000; 20.04.2000
'NEWS'. April 2000. Issue 26.
- MKC - 'Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum'. Agenda for meeting 09.05.2000
- BALC - 'Keeping in Touch'. April 2000.
'Community Safety' Seminar & Workshop 08 July 2000. Programme & application form.
Application to be received by 23.06.2000.
- GVT OFFICE FOR THE S E - 'Draft Regional Planning Guidance for the S E'. Leaflet.
Copies of the Proposed Changes will be available.
- NALC - Circular re NALC Conference 16-18 June 2000.
- PHOENIX LODGE - 'Millennium Newsletter' & leaflet re Fun Run for Women.
- SLCC - 'THE CLERK'. Journal May 2000.
- CORNHILL INSURANCE - Invitation to renew policy for 2000/2001.

Additional correspondence for May 2000

- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Notice of completion of cut no 3 (20.04.2000)
- MKC - 'Parish Council Transport Briefing'. Issue 9. May 2000. Bus Service Changes.
(*Any affecting Sherington the Clerk will publish in SCAN*)
- MK FORUM - 'A Stadium for Milton Keynes'. Forum 84 to be held Thursday, 11.05.2000 at Civic Offices. 7.45 pm.
'Annual Report 1999-2000'.
- THAMES VALLEY POLICE AUTHORITY - 'Annual Policing Plan' incorporating best value performance. Letter and document.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of Council Members at Sherington First School on Tuesday, 06 June 2000 at 7.30 pm

A G E N D A

1. PRESENT
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES
3. MATTERS ARISING:
 - 3.1 To co-opt a new Parish Councillor
 - 3.2 Village Notice Boards (PPF 1999/2000)
 - 3.3 Edith Lucas Paintings
 - 3.4 Damage to car caused by PC mower
 - 3.5 Youth Project - Mobile "Coffee Shop"
 - 3.6 Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001
 - 3.7 Redevelopment of 18 School Lane
4. CORRESPONDENCE (see separate sheet)
5. PLANNING
 - 5.1 Planning Lists: 04.05.2000; 11.05.2000; 18.05.2000; 24.05.2000; 30.05.00 received
00/652/FUL Erection of Single Storey Detached Outbuilding. 8 Crofts End. Mr and Mrs Rose
6. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
 - 6.1 Parish Appraisal - to set up a Sub-Committee
 - 6.2 Sherington Historical Society
 - 6.3 Appointment of Internal Auditor
 - 6.4 August PC Meeting
- REPORTS
 - 7.1 Clerk's Report
8. ACCOUNTS
 - 8.1 Internal Audit 1999/2000
 - 8.2 Cornhill Insurance - Annual Premium
 - 8.3 Accounts for Payment (see separate sheet)
9. MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES
 - 9.1 PC Cemetery Fence
 - 9.2 Grass Cutting
10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
11. COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS
12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
 - 12.1 Tuesday 03 July 2000 at 7.30 pm. Sherington School.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 06 June 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman); Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Keene
Apologies were received from Mr W Lewis and Mr A Pilcher, both being away on business.
Apologies also received from MK Cllr Mrs Pat Seymour who is on her Deputy Mayoral duties.
2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES:**
 - 2.1 Minutes of council meeting held on 09 May 2000 were agreed and signed as a correct record.
 - 2.2 Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 09 May 2000 were agreed and signed as a correct record.
3. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 3.1 **To co-opt a new Parish Councillor.** Two nominations have been received for this post. MAY '00/7.2
It was agreed to have a chat with both candidates after this meeting. ONGOING
Proposed: To co-opt a new councillor at the July meeting. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.
Item for next month's agenda. (CLERK)
 - 3.2 **Village Notice Boards - PPF 1999/2000.** Clerk has contacted MKC and been given a verbal acknowledgment of the submitted estimates and an agreement that Mr John Risby's APR '99/03
be accepted. MKC will award £900.00 as promised and confirmation in writing will follow. ONGOING
The outstanding amount of £1236.00 to be paid by PC with donation of £200.00 from the PTFA (towards the notice board outside Sherington School).
There was some discussion regarding the Notice Board for The Knoll. The following was agreed: a) Mrs Hayes to investigate the possibility of a map of Sherington being designed and laminated; 2) concrete slabs be placed in front of the structure. (KH)
Proposed: The PC to fund the amount needed, ie approximately £1000.00 for the three boards and the boards be ordered from Mr Risby. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
 - 3.3 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** A further note in SCAN has brought forth an extra 2 or 3 sponsors. NOV '99/10.4
Mrs Bearman reported on the recent information received regarding sale of photo-copies. ONGOING
The Millennium Committee is willing to form a sub-committee to take on the photo-copying, framing, marketing of copies and possibly arranging a library service for the originals.
Mrs Bearman and Mrs Hayes are willing to be members of the sub committee as representatives of the PC. (CB/KH)
The original water colour paintings will stay in the ownership of the PC.
A decision will be made by the Millennium Committee on how to use the money raised.
One suggestion is that a millennium gift be purchased for each child in the village.
 - 3.4 **Damage to car caused by PC Mower.** We await a reply from Cornhill Insurance on the claim. APR '00/7.3.5
ONGOING
 - 3.5 **Youth Project - Mobile "Coffee Shop".** The Clerk has spoken and written to Maggi Ramm, officer responsible for the project. No reply has yet been received regarding dates for the bus to be in Sherington. APR '00/4.2
ONGOING
 - 3.6 **Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001.** Several projects were put forward by councillors. MAY '00/7.3
After a lengthy discussion on the merits of these it was agreed to apply for funding for ONGOING
two projects which would replace that suggested at the Precept Meeting in January 2000, ie funding for a Consultant to assist with the Parish Appraisal. The Clerk had advised that such a project is unlikely to attract a 50% grant from MKC in the current year.
Proposed: A further piece of play equipment for the Perry Lane Recreation Field.
Mrs Hayes. All agreed.
Proposed: New cemetery fence at churchyard. Mrs Haynes. All agreed. (WH)
Applications to be made to MKC by 30.06.2000. (CLERK)
 - 3.7 **Redevelopment of 18 School Lane.** Clerk had written to MKC regarding the level of the ground at the rear of the property and received a reply from Mr Harris, the Enforcement Officer. MKC await details of relevant site levels from the Developer. The Highways Dept is dealing with the other problems, ie the builders storing materials on verges and school layby and the encroachment onto the footpath, Corn Close. MAY '00/10.4
ONGOING
Proposed: Further letter to be sent to MKC re levels if no action is taken by Developer. (CLERK)
Mr Keene. All agreed.

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4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during May was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional short list, received at the beginning of June, was given to councillors at the meeting. The following was discussed:
- 4.1 Dog Fouling Meeting. Clerk will attend. (CLERK)
- 4.2 Article 4 Direction. This relates to Mason's Field (High Street) and the view towards St Laud's Church.
- 4.3 Draft Regional Planning Guidance. Documents to be circulated and comments sent by 19.06.2000 if necessary. (CLERK)
- 4.4 Rural Stress. Posters and cards are available for residents. With the proprietors' agreement these will be deposited in Sherington Post Office and Virginia House Stores. (CLERK)
- 4.5 Travel & Parking in MK. Leaflets, giving details of future plans for parking etc in Central Milton Keynes are available. If possible these will also be deposited in the PO and shop. (CLERK)
All relevant correspondence to be circulated to councillors during the month. (CLERK)
5. **PLANNING:**
- 5.1 Planning Lists 04.05.00; 11.05.00; 18.05.00; 24.05.00 received
- 5.1.1 00/652/FUL Erection of Single Storey Detached Outbuilding
8 Crofts End. Mr and Mrs Rose.
These plans are still on circulation. If comments are made by councillors they are to be sent to MKC, between meetings, during this month. All agreed. (CLERK)
6. **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**
- 6.1 Parish Appraisal to set up a Sub-Committee. It was agreed there should be a committee (not sub-committee) of the council to deal with the Parish Appraisal. Two councillors, Mr Keene and Mr Lewis, have shown a willingness to serve. Mr John Cook is willing to help form the committee. All agreed to accept Mr John Cook's offer. (DK/WL)
Proposed: Committee to comprise of no more than seven. Note to be in July SCAN requesting names of parishioners who would be willing to serve. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
NOTE: Any parishioners having a pecuniary interest in development of land in Sherington to be excluded from the committee. Committee meetings to commence in September 2000.
- 6.2 Sherington Historical Society. A letter has been received from the newly formed Historical Society requesting the PC to hold in trust, dispose of or re-locate any funds and data of the Society if or when it becomes defunct.
Proposed: The PC agrees to the wishes of the Sherington Historical Society. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
- 6.3 Appointment of Internal Auditor. Mr Michael Bearman is willing to consider the role of Internal Auditor. Mr Bearman would first like to discuss the duties of an Internal Auditor with the Clerk before making a firm commitment. Clerk to meet with Mr Bearman to discuss this matter. (CLERK)
- 6.4 August PC Meeting. The Chairman said that for a few years the PC has not met during the month of August. It was agreed this practise be continued, ie no PC meeting in August, unless an emergency arises.
7. **REPORTS.**
- 7.1 Clerk's Report
- 7.1.1 Sherington Bridge Farm. A telephone call had been made to Mrs Ann Stannard, MKC Enforcement Officer. The Clerk was informed the matter of cars being sold from the gateway of the farm was in hand as information had been passed by the Planning Dept. The Enforcement Officer is monitoring the situation and details will be sent to Trading Standards. Mrs Stannard does not wish to have confirmation in writing as the PC's interest has already been noted and we will be kept informed.
- 7.1.2 Milepost. Engineers in the Highway Dept do not know of any scheme at MKC for refurbishing mileposts or milestones.
- 7.1.3 43 Crofts End. Mr Bruce Platt telephoned with the information that he will do his best to find sufficient money for one more off-road parking area. Other tenants have also enquired, but it is not possible to install off-road parking area where there is a high bank in front of the property. The car park next to Sherington Rectory was installed for the tenants at the corner of Crofts End (where there is a high bank).

Clerk's Report (cont.)

7.1.4 Gun Lane Rubbish. This should have been removed the day after the May council meeting. The Cleansing Officer said several lots of black bags have been dumped by the field gate on other occasions. The concrete post is still to be removed.

7.1.5 Sign at T Junction (Sherington Turn). Nothing is known about the disappearance of the sign.

7.1.6 Sherington Mound. The MKC Landscape Assistant, Tim Screen, has asked for volunteers to help plant wild flowers on the mound this month.

Councillors agreed to help if the planting can be carried out either on a Saturday or Sunday. This information to be passed to MKC and further details be sought.

(CLERK)

7.1.7 Corn Close. Mr Buckle at MKC has made a site visit and advised the builders they are not to put the perimeter fence on Highways land.

7.18 SLCC Quarterly Meeting. A verbal report was given to the Bucks Branch Qtrly Meeting about the Annual Conference. A written report is still to be circulated to councillors.

(CLERK)

8. ACCOUNTS

8.1 Internal Audit 1999/2000. Mr Michael Cook has completed the Internal Audit and has signed the Balance Sheet.

8.2 Cornhill Insurance - Annual Premium. Notification has been received that this year's premium will be £659.73. There will be an additional £6.00 plus Insurance Tax for the increased Fidelity Insurance.

Proposed: The Annual Premium of £659.73 be paid to Cornhill Insurance. Mr Keene. All agreed.

8.3 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no	min. ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion electricity	11.50	D/D	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Salary (July 2000)	179.52	100946	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (March 2000)	28.20	100947	
CORNHILL INSURANCE - Annual premium	659.73	100948	916/8.2
TOTAL	878.95		

8.3.1 Grass Cutting. Giles Ferris has sent in invoices for April, May and beginning of June 2000. The invoices, amounting to £517.50 and £29.00 (petrol) have only just been received, notification was not sent to councillors prior to the meeting.

Proposed: Cheques to the combined value of £548.50 be sent to Giles Ferris together with a letter advising that invoices must be with the PC at least a week before the meeting. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

Additional Invoices for June 2000

	£	chq no	min ref.
G FERRIS - Grass Cuts (Churchx7.5; Knollx7; Play Areax5; Rec.Fldx5); £497.50 + Labour for mower repair£20	517.50	100949	916/8.3.1
G FERRIS - Petrol for PC mower	29.00	100950	916/8.3.1

Treasurers Account (as at 19.05.2000) £814.98

Enterprise Account (as at 19.05.2000) £13099.12

J W COOK & SON rent & wayleave for Stonepits £122.00

SHERINGTON FOOTBALL CLUB - cheque in lieu of cash for Electric Meter 90.00

(not included in above figures - Treasurers & Enterprise A/Cs)

Country Watch Treasurers A/C Statement £34.43

Cellphones £10.98 + £16.27

One Cellphone has been returned to us. The other Cellphone will be returned in the near future. Police Land Rovers are now fitted with Cellphones. Country Watch is very grateful to the PC for their help when needed.

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Proposed Mrs Hayes, seconded Mr Keene. Agreed.

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9. MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES.

9.1 PC Cemetery Fence. It was agreed in item 3.6 to have the fence renewed and apply for PPF grant.

9.2 Grass Cutting. The PC would like to have quotes from MKC with regard to PC mowing. Mr Findlay in Landscaping Dept to be contacted with regard to this matter. Letter from Giles Ferris with regard to the mowing was read to the meeting. The contents of the letter were discussed. The following matters were noted:

(CLERK)

a) It is not advisable to hire out the PC mower and strimmer to a contractor.

b) It is not advisable to award a contract for a longer period than the life of the present council.

c) Giles Ferris to be advised to obtain Public Liability Insurance asap.

(CLERK)

It was agreed that the Chair and Vice-Chair should meet with Giles Ferris to discuss the possibility of a contract.

(WH/DK)

9.3 Other matters to be considered (not on Agenda)

9.3.1 Vincent Landscapes. The company has been advised about late and poor grass cutting of verges. This matter is being addressed.

9.3.2 Village Hall Extension. The funding agreed by MKC from the PP Fund is still available for an extension at the VH, but all planning applications etc must be agreed before March 2001. The Pre-School Playgroup wishes to extend the outside play area and suggested a meeting between the PC, Playgroup and Village Hall Management Cttee. The matter will be mentioned at the forthcoming VH AGM at the end of the month. The Clerk advised that the Playgroup needs to negotiate with the VH Cttee and in turn the VH Cttee brings the matter to the PC. Item for next month's agenda.

(CLERK)

9.3.3 Plane Tree on The Knoll. Some branches of the plane tree are close to the overhead cables. Advice to be sought from the MKC Arboriculturist.

(CLERK)

9.3.4 Highway outside The White Hart. A letter has been received from Mr John Cook regarding the ditch which runs alongside The White Hart. The owner would like the highway widened by about 1 metre to help with carparking. MKC is responsible for drainage problems, but the Highways Dept wishes to receive the PC's comments on the widening of the road. Mr Cook asked the PC to consider funding part of this project, which would cost approx. £4000.00 (£2000.00 to be paid by MKC).

The PC noted this request. Matter for next month's agenda.

(CLERK)

10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.

10.1 Sale of Cars at Sherington Bridge Farm. Mr Whatton is concerned because he has been advised by the owner of the farm that his name was mentioned in a letter to MKC regarding this matter. The Clerk confirmed that nothing has been put in writing to MKC and no names of residents have been mentioned.

10.2 18 School Lane. Mr Moxham thanked the PC for the actions taken with regard to the problems associated with this redevelopment.

10.3 Overhanging Trees. Mr Hyde asked if the PC has any particular policy with regard to contacting owners of overhanging trees and bushes. The councillors always investigate when they are alerted to problems. Mr Hyde is concerned about the hedges overhanging the footpath between Carters Close and Crofts End. The councillors will investigate this.

(ALL CLLRS)

10.4 Local Plan. Mr John Cook asked the date of publication of the Local Plan. This is not yet known, but the PC will be advised in due course.

10.4 Carparking in Perry Lane. Mrs Gorf said there are problems with the way residents park in the layby and asked if bays could be painted to help with this. Advice to be sought from the Highways Dept.

11. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.

11.1 Sewage Disposal - Anglian Water. Mr Keene reported on his telephone call to AWS regarding sewage disposal into the Ouse River. The reply (circulated to all councillors) is within Environment Agency guidelines.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

12.1 Tuesday, 04 July 2000 at 7.30 pm. Venue: Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

Signed..........

04.07.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 8

(Received during May 2000)

- MK FORUM - 'Draft Regional Planning Guidance for the South-East'. Mtg 22.05.2000 at Bradwell Abbey. 8.00 pm. CIRCULATED
- MKC - Events leaflets
- MKC - 'Dog Fouling Meeting'. Notification and Agenda of mtg 07.06.2000, 6.30 pm at Civic Offices. Clerk will attend if councillors are not available.
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 27. May 2000. Includes notification of Local Council Conference 09.09.2000, at Civic Offices.
Local Council Satisfaction survey to be returned to MKC 09.06.2000.
Notification of MKC's Surface Dressing sites 2000-2001. Includes Sherington High Street.
- MKC - 'Article 4 Direction - Land West of St Laud's Church'. Letter explaining situation (as requested of Ian Haynes earlier in the year).
- BUCKS COMMUNITY ACTION - 'Rural Forum'. **Tues. 27.06.2000, 9.00 am-2.00 pm. Application form with payment (£5.00 for BCA members) by 16.06.2000.** Venue: Coach House, Green Park Centre, Aston Clinton. Title of Forum: *"Building on the rural Strategy - examples of good practice"*. Letter from Linda M Nicholls informing PC that she is the Rural Transport Partnership Officer for Bucks. Ms Nicholls hopes to visit as many PCs as possible during the next few months. Let her know dates of meetings if we wish her to come to Sherington.
- MK COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL - AGM 08.06.2000, 7.30 pm at Civic Offices- poster.
- NALC - 'Local Council Review'. May 2000.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets: 28.04.2000; 05.05.2000; 12.05.2000; 19.05.2000; 26.05.2000.
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT - Issue 9. May 2000
- GVT OFFICE FOR THE SOUTH EAST - Draft Regional Planning Guidance: 'Proposed Changes' & 'Reasons for Changes'. Documents with response forms **to be returned by 19.06.2000.**
- MKC - 'Draft Regional Planning Guidance for SE England'. Photo-copy from above mentioned documents re Milton Keynes.
- MKC - 'Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum'. Minutes of mtg held 09.05.2000.
- BUCKS RURAL STRESS INITIATIVE - Letter, posters and small cards giving details of help available.
- MKC - 00/336/FUL. MKC Permit New Reception Block at Charlesberry Kennels.
- BALC - Letter enclosed with two NALC documents: 'The Spirit of Best Value' and 'Modernising Local Gvt'.

Additional correspondence received beginning of June 2000.

- MKC - 'Central Milton Keynes Transport Debate'. Copies for councillors & general public.
- MKALC - Agenda for Qrtly Meeting to be held **15.06.2000, 7.30 pm at Olney Centre (Room 4)** and minutes of meeting held 16.03.2000.
- MKC - Invitations to Civic Service on 02.07.2000 for Clerk and Chairman.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of Council Members at Sherington First School on Tuesday, 04 July 2000 at 7.30 pm

A G E N D A

1. PRESENT
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES
3. MATTERS ARISING:
 - 3.1 To Co-opt a Parish Councillor
 - 3.2 Parish Appraisal Committee
 - 3.3 Village Notice Boards (PPF 1999/2000)
 - 3.4 Edith Lucas Paintings
 - 3.5 Damage to car caused by PC mower
 - 3.6 Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001
 - 3.7 Redevelopment of 18 School Lane
 - 3.8 Sherington Mound
 - 3.9 Maintenance Items
 - 3.9.1 Grass Cutting & Insurance Cover
4. CORRESPONDENCE (see separate sheet)
5. PLANNING
 - 5.1 Planning Lists: 07.06.2000; 13.06.2000; 20.06.2000; 27.06.2000 received
00/832/FUL Single Storey Double Garage, Pitched Roof over Front Door, Bay Window
and Rear Conservatory. 22 High Street. Mr and Mrs Ludford Jones
6. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
 - 6.1 Extension of Outside Play Space at Sherington Village Hall.
 - 6.2 Repair of Fence around The Knoll
 - 6.3 Highway outside The White Hart
7. REPORTS
 - 7.1 MKALC
 - 7.2 Village Hall Management Committee
 - 7.3 MKC meeting of Partners for control of dogs
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9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
10. COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS
11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
 - 11.1 Tuesday 05 September at 7.30 pm. Sherington School.
PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN AUGUST

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 04 July 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman); Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis, Mr A Pilcher.
Also in attendance: Mrs M Gorf and Mr D Hyde (nominees for post of councillor).
Apologies from Mrs C Bearman; also from MK Cllr Mrs Seymour who is at a MKC mtg.
2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES:**
Minutes of last meeting were agreed and signed as a correct record.
3. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 3.1 **To co-opt a new Parish Councillor.** It was agreed to hold a secret ballot during the meeting. Mrs Haynes thanked the candidates for standing as future councillors and said she hoped that the nominee not elected would feel able to work with the PC on projects or committees. The Clerk had prepared voting slips and these were used by councillors to cast their votes. Mrs Bearman had sent her vote in a sealed envelope and this was added to those taken during the meeting. The Clerk was asked to count the votes cast.
Mr Hyde gained the majority of votes. He was welcomed to the PC and was invited to join the councillors' table for the remainder of the meeting.
Mr Hyde will be asked to sign 'Declaration of Office' at the September meeting. MAY '00/7.2
 - 3.2 **Parish Appraisal Committee.** A note has been put in SCAN inviting electors to be part of this committee. Provisional date for the first committee meeting was agreed: **19 September 2000 at Sherington Village Hall Committee Room.**
Mr Keene stated that the Deposit Local Plan will be available in September 2000. ACTIONED
(CLERK)
 - 3.3 **Village Notice Boards - PPF 1999/2000.** Clerk has written to Mr John Risby advising him that his estimate for the three notice boards has been accepted. The Chairman has asked Mrs Bearman to liaise with the school about location of one board. Other locations have been agreed, ie The Knoll - same site as present board; corner of Carters Close/Crofts End - free standing board in front of fence. (CLERK)
Proposed: Deposit up to a maximum of £712.00 be sent to Mr Risby when required. Mr Keene. All agreed.
Clerk given authority to raise the cheque between meetings. APR '99/03
ONGOING
 - 3.4 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** Mrs Bearman has advised that a meeting between Mr John Cook, Mrs Jane Coles and herself has been held and she sent a copy of the minutes to the Clerk for circulation to councillors. (CLERK)
We now have a sufficient number of sponsors. Letters to all sponsors are being sent from the PC requesting donations, so the restoration work may begin on the paintings. NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING
(CLERK)
An exhibition of the paintings to be held in the VH on **Sunday, 29 October 2000.** Prints may be ordered that day. Money raised by the Millennium Sub-committee to be used for a village project, not for commemorative items for children of the village. Several ideas have been put forward for the project, but final decision will depend on amount of money raised. Next sub-committee meeting will be held on **25 July 2000, 8.00 pm at Ranworth House.** (CLERK)
 - 3.5 **Damage to car caused by PC Mower. Mr Pilcher Declared Interest in this item, but stayed in the meeting in order to answer questions if required.** (CB/KH)
Cornhill Insurance has rejected the claim as negligence was not proved. The Chairman said the PC is very sorry about the incident, but it does not have powers to pay any compensation for such a claim. The Chairman expressed the councillors' regret to Mr Pilcher that they are not able to reimburse him for the repair of the car. APR '00/7.3.5
ONGOING
 - 3.6 **Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001.** Applications have been made to MKC for two projects: ACTIONED
MAY '00/7.3
ONGOING
 - a) **Play Equipment for Perry Lane Recreation Field.** Estimated cost £1600.00 - request 50% grant, ie £800.00
 - b) **Cemetery Fencing.** Estimated cost £600.00 - request 50% grant, ie £300.00.
 - 3.7 **Redevelopment of 18 School Lane.** The Chairman reported on several difficulties with materials being deposited in the layby and the encroachment of builders onto the footpath, Corn Close. It is likely to be an ongoing problem. MKC and PC will keep it under observation. Councillors are still concerned on the height of ground at the rear of the property. This to be reported again to the Planning Dept. MAY '00/10.4
ONGOING
 - 3.8 **Sherington Mound.** Thanks to all volunteers who had helped with the wild flower seed planting. Letter has been received from Tim Screen (MKC) sending thanks to PC for providing the volunteers. It is hoped there will be further volunteers to help with installing the stockade and picnic tables during July. PC still to be informed of the actual date. (CLERK)
JUN '93/03
ONGOING

continued.....

3.9 Maintenance Items:

3.9.1 Grass Cutting & Insurance Cover. Letter has just been received from Giles Ferris containing details of proposed cover for a contractor's Public Liability Insurance. Giles Ferris to be asked to take out this insurance cover immediately.

JUN '00/9.2
ONGOING

Discussion took place on increasing the rates for mowing; the adjustment which needs to be undertaken to the mower; repair to the clutch. Present rates per cut are: Play Area £20.00; The Knoll £12.50; edge of Recreation Field £17.00; Churchyard £30.00. It was agreed all but the Churchyard rate should be increased. (St Laud's Church Committee had originally agreed the rate and pay this to Giles Ferris via the PC.)

Proposed: Rates for Play Area; The Knoll; edge of Rec. Field be increased to £25.00; £16.50; £20.00 respectively for duration of the season. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

(CLERK)

The following was also agreed:

i) Contract to be continue with Giles Ferris and PC tractor mower and strimmer to be used by him for the remainder of this season.

ii) Quotes to be obtained from MKC under S136 Arrangements.

(CLERK)

iii) Tenders for future years to be discussed at September 2000 meeting.

(CLERK)

iv) Odells to be asked to fit deflector plate to mower as soon as possible.

(CLERK)

v) Odells to be asked to repair faulty clutch.

(CLERK)

Giles Ferris to be notified that PC wishes him to continue grass cutting this season, covered by his own Public Liability Insurance. Future contracts will be open to tenders.

(CLERK)

4. CORRESPONDENCE. List of correspondence received during June was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional short list, received at the beginning of July, was given to councillors at the meeting. The following was discussed:

4.1 East Midlands Electricity. Letter requesting PC to sign Wayleave Consents with regard to stays wires to transformer post situated in Stonepits Close. Chairman signed and Clerk witnessed consent forms to be returned to EME.

(CLERK)

4.2 Ouse Valley Way Project. Councillors to send comments on paths or routes and any places of interest to Clerk when letter is circulated. All comments and information will be passed to MKC during August.

(ALL CLLRS)
(CLERK)

4.3 14 Water Lane. It was noted that MKC permit the extension to this property. It is not known if the owners had been asked to rework the plans.

4.4 Sherington Bridge Farm. Planning permission has also been granted for the agricultural building (retrospective) for which an application was made in 1997.

5. PLANNING:

5.1 Planning Lists 07.06.00; 13.06.00; 20.06.00; 27.06.00 received

5.1.1 00/832/FUL Single Storey Double Garage, Pitched Roof over Front Door, Bay Window and Rear Conservatory. 22 High Street. Mr and Mrs Ludford Jones
Comments: Garage too large and the design of extension inappropriate for the property.

(CLERK)

6. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

6.1 Extension of Outside Play Space at Sherington Village Hall. A rough plan with 'before and after' artist's impressions of the play space on PC land were presented and discussed.

JUN '00/9.3.2

Proposed: Councillors to make a site visit on **Sunday, 03 September 2000, 11.30 am at VH car park.** Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

(ALL CLLRS)

A reply to be sent to Mr Hine, Chairman of the VH Trustees, with copy to Mrs S Herbert, Playgroup Supervisor. Both to be invited to meet the councillors on site to discuss proposals for the extension.

(CLERK)

6.2 Repair of Fence around The Knoll. Mr Pilcher had sent the Clerk a note about this matter.

Proposed: Posts and metal strips to be purchased. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

(WH)

Mr Keene is willing to carry out the repair.

(DK)

6.3 Highway outside The White Hart. The letter from Mr John Cook was read to the meeting and the matter fully discussed. Councillors have no objections to the highway being widened to provide a small area for car parking, but the PC is not willing to fund the project. It is noted that MKC will pay for work on drainage of the area. Councillors commented perhaps it may be possible for MKC to fund the widening of the highway as well.

(CLERK)

Mr D Ferris (from the floor) gave PC the information that planning permission had been granted for the widening of the highway (together with other alterations to the property) to the previous owners of The White Hart.

Proposed: Letters to be sent to Mr J Cook and MKC stating the PC supports the project in principle, but is unable to support it financially. Mr Keene. All agreed.

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7. **REPORTS.**

7.1 MKALC. Mr Pilcher attended the meeting, but had nothing of relevance to report.

7.2 Village Hall Management Committee AGM. Mrs Haynes attended the meeting and reported that the new secretary will be Mrs Helen Vale. Mrs Eileen West remains as treasurer and Mr Norman Arnold will remain as Chairman until a new Chairman is appointed. The Financial Report shows approximately £18,000.00 in the bank (copy of report will be circulated to councillors) and there are plenty of future bookings.

No mention was made at the AGM about the proposed extension of the hall. Mr John Cook (from the floor) stated the VH cttee is waiting for the PC to decide whether or not to continue using the mower store.

7.3 MKC meeting of Partners for control of dogs. The Clerk attended this meeting and reported that Enforcement of the Act came into being on 01 May 2000. Fines range from £25.00 to £1000.00. It is a blanket bye-law, which covers the whole borough. No bins are provided by the Parks Trust in the MK parks.

Advertisements will be displayed on 18 buses, notifying the general public of the Act. MKC wishes PC to return the map marked with problem areas, so that posters may be displayed advising the general public to clear up after their dogs.

The £100.00 promised by the PC is now due for this year. A formal request for the amount will be sent out with the minutes, by the Dog Welfare Officer. Allison Williment, the Dog Welfare Officer, is willing to talk to children in schools. This information to be passed to Mrs Bearman for Sherington School.

(CLERK)

7.4 Clerk's Report

7.4.1 Plane Tree on The Knoll. John Price, the MKC arborculturist, has advised that the tree is in good condition and should not be lopped. There are a few dead branches which can be removed, also any branches near the overhead cables. Mr Price has sent a list of tree surgeons which belong to the Arborcultural Association.

Councillors to inspect the tree during the Village Walk (03.09.2000).

(ALL CLLRS)

7.4.2 Perry Lane Parking. Mr Buckle will make a site visit. It is possible for bays to be marked out in the layby. Letter to be sent to MKC asking for this work to be carried out.

(CLERK)

7.4.3 Internal Auditor. Mr Michael Bearman telephoned and discussed this matter with the Clerk. He is willing to take on the post in September.

Item for September 2000 agenda.

(CLERK)

7.4.4 Draft Regional Planning Guidance. Response sent to the Gvt Office with copy to MK Cllr Mrs Seymour.

Copy of response to be sent to MKC Planning Department.

(CLERK)

7.4.5 Mobile Coffee Shop (Youth Project). Letter has just been received stating the Youth Service wish to use the Recreation Field and Pavilion on four alternate Tuesdays, commencing 05 September 2000.

Facilities also required for Fun Days during the school holidays. Days earmarked for Sherington are: Wednesday, 26 July 2000 and Wednesday 23 August 2000 (4-8 pm).

Councillors agreed dates are acceptable. Key available from Clerk.

(CLERK)

7.4.6 Picnic Set in Play Area. Mr Pilcher reported damage to the seat and requested Mr John Risby to give an estimate for a repair. Estimate has just been received: £35.55. The Clerk advised that as this is an emergency it is advisable the repair is carried out as soon as possible.

Proposed: Mr Risby's estimate to be accepted and he asked to carry out the repair. Mr Lewis. All agreed.

(CLERK)

7.4.7 Fence at 22 High Street. The MKC Enforcement Officer has inspected the fence. It is the correct height for the location. No planning laws have been breached.

7.4.8 Sherington Historical Society. Letter has been sent to the chairman, Mr Norman Arnold, acknowledging letter and stating PC is willing to accept funds and data in Trust if/when the Society ceases to exist. A copy of the constitution has been requested.

7.4.9 Cars at Sherington Bridge Farm. A telephone call from the Enforcement Officer dealing with this matter (Ian Harris) asked if the PC would let him know if cars are still being sold from the farm gateway. Clerk advised him of two cars on sale recently.

Further two cars are being currently offered for sale. Clerk to contact MKC again.

(CLERK)

8. ACCOUNTS

8.1 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no.	min ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity	11.50	D/D*	
SINFIELD LANDSCAPES - April & May grass cuts	141.00	100951	
MK COUNCIL - Hire: Sherington Sch. April-July 2000 incl.	60.00	100952	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Salary (June 2000)	179.52	100953	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (June 2000)	<u>44.19</u>	100954	
TOTAL	436.21		

* This D/D will reduce to £9.00 per month from 28.07.2000

Treasurer Account (as at 19.06.2000) £489.93

Enterprise Account(as at 19.06.2000) £12337.96

£1000.00 has been transferred from Enterprise to Treasurer A/C to pay above invoices.

Country Watch Treasurer A/C £7.36; Country Watch Business No-Notice A/C £153.88

Cellphones £16.10 + £10.98

£50.00 has been transferred from Country Watch Business No-Notice Account to Country Watch Treasurer account to cover current month's D/D payments.

Business No-Notice Account for Cricket Club £667.99

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mrs Hayes, seconded Mr Pilcher. All agreed.

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 9.1 5 Church Road. Mrs B Smith expressed concern about the fact that this council house has been empty for nearly two years. The Clerk has spoken with the Housing Office at Newport Pagnell about the property. The Housing Manager stated the grass is due to be cut in about two weeks. Although the interior of the house has been decorated the property remains empty because there is a dispute about the shared drive with the house next door.

MK Cllr Mrs Seymour to be informed.

(CLERK)

- 9.2 Son et Lumiere. Mr J Cook invited councillors and others to take part in the Son et Lumiere.

- 9.3 Hustings. Mr R Brewis asked if the PC can invite candidates, for the next General Election, to speak in Sherington. *Clerk will enquire if it is possible for the PC to arrange this.*

Item for September 2000 agenda.

(CLERK)

- 9.4 Recreation Field Gate. Mr D Ferris reported the gate post needs repairing.

Councillors and Mr M Cook will inspect gate on Village Walk on 03.09.2000.

(ALL CLLRS)

- 9.5 Car Park next to Sherington Rectory. Mr D Ferris reported the grass is very long and concrete boulders have been placed at the edge of the grass and parking area.

Clerk will inform MKC Landscaping Dept.

(CLERK)

- 9.6 Pothole in Bedford Road. Mr D Ferris reported a large pothole at the top of Bedford Road.

MKC Highways Dept to be informed.

(CLERK)

- 9.7 Planning Application. Mr D Ferris stated that he understood a very significant planning application for Sherington had been recently sent to MKC.

Clerk will make sure all planning applications received before September are circulated to councillors quickly and comments sent to MKC between meetings.

(CLERK)

(ALL CLLRS)

10. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.

- 10.1 Retirement of Pc Reg Webster. The Chairman asked if councillors would like a letter to be sent to Pc Reg Webster thanking him for all his help and assistance whilst he has been our Rural Police Officer and wishing him good wishes in his retirement. *All agreed.*

(CLERK)

- 10.2 Water Lane Turning Area. The Chairman said it has been reported that the recycling lorry has damaged the fence again.

Councillors will inspect fence on Village Walk on 03.09.2000.

(ALL CLLRS)

- 10.3 Sports Pavilion. The Chairman asked for this to be put on the agenda for September 2000.

(CLERK)

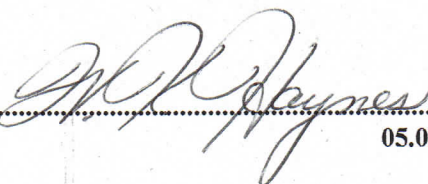
11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

- 11.1 Tuesday, 05 September 2000 at 7.30 pm. Venue: Sherington School.

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN AUGUST

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed.....



05.09.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 10

(Received during June 2000)

- MKC - Events leaflets
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 28. June 2000.
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Notification of Grass Cut No. 5
- BUCKS COMMUNITY ACTION - 'In Focus'. Issue 10. Summer 2000
AGM **Monday, 03 July 2000, 7.00 pm at Aston Clinton.**
'Connection'. Leaflet giving details of Floating Support in North Bucks.
- BALC - 'Newsletter'. June 2000.
Local Gvt Pay Scale 2000.
- MKC - 'Rural Affairs Consult. Assy' Agenda for 15.06.2000
'Parish & Neighbourhood Consult. Assy' Agenda for 22.06.2000
- MK CARERS PROJECT - 'Who Cares?' Summer 2000.
- MKC - Milton Keynes Local Plan (First Deposit). Details of publication.
- MK2020 - 'Making a Difference'. Partnership in Action. Letter & document.
- MK CENTRE FOR INTEGRATED LIVING - 'Centre for Disability Information'. Letter & leaflet.
- MKC - 00/554/FUL. **MKC Permit** Extension at 3 Maryot Close
00/400/LBC. **MKC Grant** Listed Building Consent for Conversion of Barn at The White Hart
97/1049/MK. **MKC Permit** Erection of Agricultural Building at Sherington Bridge Farm
00/519/FUL. **MKC Permit** Relocation and replacement of gates at Manor House, 4 High Street
- MKC - 'Ouse Valley Project'. Letter requesting information re places of interest in locality.
- MK YOUTH OFFENDING TEAM - Letter informing PC of data base and requesting ideas,
- SOVEREIGN - Letter requesting PCs to co-operate with providing 'Show Sites'.
- MKC - 'Parish Boundary Review'. Letter advising boundary changes recommended have been
accepted with one exception.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets: 02.06.2000; 09.06.2000; 16.06.2000
- EAST MIDLANDS ELECTRICITY - Removal of overhead lines near Charlesberry Kennels.

ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BEGINNING OF JULY 2000

- MKC - 00/496/FUL **MKC Permit** Part Side, Part Rear Single Storey Extension at 14 Water Lane
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Completed cut no 6 - 27.06.2000
- NORTHAMPTON CC - 'Countryside 2000'. Irchester Country Park, Sunday 16 July 2000. 11.00 am-5.00 pm

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of Council Members at Sherington First School on Tuesday, 05 September 2000 at 7.30 pm

A G E N D A

1. PRESENT
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES
3. MATTERS ARISING:
 - 3.1 Declaration of Acceptance of Office by new Councillor
 - 3.2 Parish Appraisal Committee
 - 3.3 Edith Lucas Paintings
 - 3.4 Sherington Mound
 - 3.5 Highway outside The White Hart
 - 3.6 Extension of Play Space at Sherington Village Hall
 - 3.7 Appointment of Internal Auditor
4. CORRESPONDENCE (see separate sheet)
5. PLANNING
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 - 5.1.2 00/993/FUL Change of use from Agricultural to Offices/Light Industrial Warehousing (use Class B1/B8). Manor Farm. J W Cook & Son
 - 5.1.3 00/1063/FUL Front Conservatory. 38 Carters Close. Mr and Mrs B Morris
 - 5.1.4 00/11296/FUL Two Storey Side Extension. 48 Carters Close. Mr and Mrs G Edwards
 - 5.1.5 00/1335/TCA Notification of Intention to Fell one Oak Tree.
Manor House, 4 High Street. Dianne and Andy Stewart
 - 5.2 00/391/TNOG Appeal by ONE 2 ONE against refusal of permission for Microwave Dish & Associated Telecom. Equipment. Compound off Bedford Road.
6. MATTER FOR DISCUSSION
 - 6.1 Land Registration adjacent to Play Area/46 Carters Close (amended)
7. CLERK'S REPORT
8. ACCOUNTS
 - 8.1 Invoice/Credit Note - District Audit Fees 1997/98 & 1998/99
 - 8.2 HSBC Bank Mandate & Authority of Clerk/RFO to make Transfers
 - 8.3 Audit of 1999/2000 Accounts
 - 8.4 Accounts for Payment (see separate sheet)
9. MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES
 - 9.1 Councillors' Village Walkabout
 - 9.2 Sports Pavilion
 - 9.3 Grass Cutting
10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
11. COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS
12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
 - 12.1 Tuesday 03 October at 7.30 pm. Sherington School.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 05 September 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman); Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Hyde, Mr D Keene, Mr A Pilcher.
Apologies from Mr W Lewis who is away on business.
Apologies also from MK Cllr Mrs Seymour who is on holiday.

2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES:**
Minutes of last meeting were agreed and signed as a correct record.

Declaration of Interest. Mrs Haynes declared interest in item 5.2 and stated she would vacate the Chair if the council wished to discuss this item.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- 3.1 **Declaration of Acceptance of Office by new Councillor.** Mr Hyde signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office book in the presence of the council.

ACTIONED
JUN '00/6.1
ON GOING

- 3.2 **Parish Appraisal Committee.** As the result of a note in the July/August SCAN, one elector had offered to serve on this committee. Another note has been put in September SCAN inviting electors to become members of this PC committee.

The Committee Room at the Village Hall is not available on 19 September 2000, but the Booking Clerk has offered 11 and 18 September. Neither dates are convenient for those councillors appointed to the committee. The Clerk was requested to enquire if the Committee Room is available on **Monday, 25 September 2000 from 7.30 pm.**

(CLERK)

The Chairman said, as this will be the first committee meeting, as many councillors as wish to attend would be welcome.

- 3.3 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** Mrs Bearman reported that the Millennium sub-committee met on 25 July 2000. The pictures are now being restored and reframed. The sub-committee is grateful to the VH Management Cttee for allowing the hall to be used on Sunday 29 October 2000 for an exhibition of the paintings. Prints may be ordered on that day. Also frames may be ordered if required. The sub-committee agreed to give one print free of charge to those who sponsored the restoration of the paintings. Payment for these prints will be the responsibility of the Millennium sub-committee.

NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING

The Clerk was asked to write to the Village Hall Trustees to ask permission for the Water Colours to be put on permanent display in the Village Hall.

(CLERK)

The next sub-committee meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 19 September 2000 at 8.00.**

(CB/KH)

- 3.4 **Sherington Mound.** Volunteers worked hard with Tim Screen (MKC) to dig out soil for the stockade. Thanks go to Mr Pilcher, Mr Hyde and Mr Oliver Powell.

JUN '93/03
ONGOING

Mr Pilcher reported he had been told by Tim Screen (MKC) there is a plan to place a signage marker on the top of the Mound. The Chairman said she had investigated the availability of plaques if the PC needs to purchase one.

The Clerk reported that Mr Ian Buckle (Highways) has arranged a site meeting with Mr Steve Crowther to discuss making up the highway, car park etc.

Mr Hyde said that nearby trees will need to be lopped.

- 3.5 **Highway outside The White Hart.** A reply has been sent to the PC regarding this item. MKC states the owner of The White Hart is responsible for the highway works outlined in the planning permission granted to the previous owner. It was agreed this is a matter for Mr Shepherd, the owner, to pursue if he wishes.

JUL '00/6.3
ACTIONED

- 3.6 **Extension of Play Space at Sherington Village Hall.** A site meeting of councillors and Mrs Herbert (Playgroup Supervisor) was held on 03 September 2000. The outside playspace required is approx. 25ft from the picket fence. The Chairman read from a copy letter, dated 1994, (from the file - sent to the VH Secretary when the playgroup had previously requested extra space) and the council agreed that the wording (with some amendments) would be suitable for forming an agreement. There was some discussion about usage of the area when the playgroup is not in session. Clarification to be sought re types of equipment, a plan where it is to be placed and insured.

(CLERK)
JUN '00/9.3.2
ONGOING

Proposed: Meeting be arranged between councillors and members of the VH Management Committee and Trustees to discuss all relevant matters. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

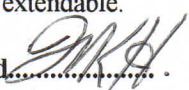
Clerk to investigate the possibility of hiring the VH Cttee Room on a convenient date.

(CLERK)

Proposed: Letter be sent to Mrs Herbert stating the PC agrees in principle with the plan for extra outside playspace, with a five year guarantee of use which would be extendable.

(CLERK)

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- 3.7 Appointment of Internal Auditor. Mr Michael Bearman had notified the Clerk he would be willing to internally audit the PC accounts twice a year. The first set of accounts would be available in October, ie 01.04.2000-30.09.2000.

Proposed: Mr Bearman be appointed Internal Auditor for the current financial year. Mr. Pilcher, seconded by Mrs Hayes. All agreed.

(CLERK)

4. CORRESPONDENCE. List of correspondence received during July and August was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional short list, received at the beginning of September, was given to councillors at the meeting. The following was discussed:

- 4.1 MKC - Dog Fouling Partnership. The annual payment from the PC has been requested. The PC had previously agreed to donate £100.00 pa and it had been included in this year's precept.

(CLERK)

- 4.2 GROOMS - Bulb Catalogue. Mr Pilcher asked for this to be passed to Mr Archie Whatton.

ACTIONED

- 4.3 HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Mr Norman Arnold. A letter has been received asking for permission to use the pavilion. This letter will be discussed under item 9.2.

- 4.4 MKC - MK Surface Water Drainage Study. Most recommendations are for the urban areas, including NP.

CIRCULATION

- 4.5 MR & MRS EVANS - Broken Fence in Carters Close. There is uncertainty on who owns the fence. Chairman has passed Land Registry address and 'phone number to the owners of 39 and 40 Carters Close.

- 4.6 MKC Consultative Cttees & Assemblies. Clerk reminded councillors that they are able to attend these meetings if they wish.

- 4.7 MKC - Bulk Skip. The Clerk notified the meeting there would be no more bulk skips and of the new arrangements being made for waste disposal at the beginning of October 2000. This information has only been gleaned from the press. No official notice was sent to PC *The councillors stated their dissatisfaction with the proposed new service and the fact that Local Councils had not been advised by MKC of these arrangements.*

Letter to be sent to MKC stating the PC's dissatisfaction with the planned new arrangements. Note to be included in next month's SCAN giving residents information. Item for next month's agenda.

(CLERK)

(CLERK)

5. PLANNING:

- 5.1 Planning Lists 29.06.00; 06.07.00; 13.07.00; 19.07.00; 26.07.00; 02.08.00; 10.08.00; 16.08.00; 23.08.00 received

5.1.1 00/982/FUL Erection of Haystore/Implement Shed. 1A High Street. Mr J Gordon
Comments: Concern about proliferation of horsiculture buildings - no horses in stables at present time. Not clear whether or not land is agricultural or part of domestic garden.

(CLERK)

5.1.2 00/993/FUL Change of use from Agricultural to Offices/Light Industrial Warehousing (use Clas B1/B8). Manor Farm. J W Cook & Son

Comments: Not enough information. Further details needed.

(CLERK)

5.1.3 00/1063/FUL Front Conservatory. 38 Carters Close. Mr & Mrs B Morris.

Comments: Probably inappropriate for conservatory to be built so close to footpath.

(CLERK)

5.1.4 00/1296/FUL Two Storey Side Extens'n. 48 Carters Close. Mr & Mrs G Edwards

It was noted the neighbours have objections.

NO COMMENTS

5.1.5 00/1335/TCA Notification of Intention to Fell one Oak Tree.

Manor House, 4 High Street. Dianne & Andy Stewart.

Mr Whatton (from the floor) stated the tree to be felled is a chestnut not oak.

NOTED

- 5.2 00/391/TNOG Appeal by ONE 2 ONE against refusal of permission for Microwave Dish & Associated Telecom Equipment. Compound off Bedford Road.

Mrs Haynes, having previously declared interest, was not asked to leave the room because there was no discussion on this item.

Comments: PC upholds decision of MKC and confirms comments made in letter to MKC when planning application was received.

(CLERK)

6. MATTER FOR DISCUSSION

- 6.1 Land Registration adjacent to Play Area/46 Carters Close (amended). There was some discussion on the particular piece of land which is adjacent to PC's property. It was noted the neighbours are objecting, but the piece of land the PC is being asked to agree is not in dispute.

Proposed. The PC consents to the registration of this land. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

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7. CLERK'S REPORT

- 7.1 Road Markings. a) Car spaces in Perry Lane Lay-by. These are now in place.
 b) White line bordering highway outside The Manor. This cannot be changed as it indicates the edge of the carriageway. Pedestrians should not be encouraged to walk on the highway. NOTED
- 7.2 18 School Lane. Pieces of metal posts at edge of footpath have been left by the builders. MKC asked the developer to make sure these are cut off at ground level by 29 August. This work has not yet been carried out. Clerk to contact Mr Buckle again. (CLERK)
 The height of the soil at the rear of the property has not been greatly reduced. The Enforcement Officer has been informed of this and the fact that neighbours are not happy with work being carried out on site. Letter of acknowledgment has been received.
- 7.3 Notice Boards. Mr Risby plans to carry out the work this month. Mr Risby has asked for a 50% deposit of total cost so that he may purchase materials.
Proposed: Cheque for £1068 be sent to Mr Risby as deposit. Mrs Haynes. All agreed
 Extra wood is needed for the upright on The Knoll as the position of the board is to be changed. The cost of this will be £50.00 (to be taken from Mr Risby's discount for the PC ordering three boards at one time). PC still needs to make a decision about a header board.
Proposed: £50 for uprights and max. £50 for header board. Mr Keene. All agreed
 The Chairman asked Mrs Bearman to consult with the new Headteacher about the position of the school notice board. (CB)
 Written permission has been received from MKC to use the verge for a notice board at the corner of Crofts End/Carters Close. NOTED
- 7.4 Fidelity Insurance. Cornhill Insurance has agreed the increase in PC's Fidelity Insurance at no extra cost on the premium. NOTED
- 7.5 Buckingham Palace Garden. Mr Pilcher and his wife went to a recent Garden Party as representatives from MKALC.
- 7.6 Country Watch. Both cellphones have been returned by the Rural Police (as mobile phones are now installed in the vehicles). The contracts will be terminated with CELLNET and the Direct Debits cancelled. There may be approx. £100.00 left in the account which should be sent to Country Watch. All agreed. (CLERK)
- 7.7 Milepost. The milepost on the High Street is being refurbished. A further milepost near Chicheley Hill needs attention. This will be inspected by MKC and probably refurbished in next year's budget.
- 7.8 Dog Fouling. A resident of School Lane has complained of this recurring problem. If the dog can be identified MKC may be able to take action.
- 7.9 Near Accident in Church Road. A resident notified the Clerk of near accident by the play area between a child on a bike and a speeding car. He suggested traffic calming. The matter of traffic calming has been discussed by the PC and it has been found to be too expensive for the PC to undertake.
- 7.10 5 Church Road. This property is now being redecorated. The present action seems to be the result of Cllr Mrs Seymour persistence. The grass in front and back gardens has also been cut after many requests by the PC to the Housing Office and Contractors.

8. ACCOUNTS

- 8.1 Invoice/Credit Note - District Audit Fees 1997/98 & 1998/99. There was some discussion on the length of time taken for the audit and the charges for both years.
Proposed: 20.40 hours for 1997/98 audit is acceptable and £482.52 plus VAT will be paid at the October 2000 meeting. Mr Keene. All agreed. (CLERK)
Proposed: 24.70 hours for 1998/99 audit is not acceptable. PC is willing to pay 15 hours for this audit. Letter to be sent to District Audit. Mr Keene. All agreed (CLERK)
- 8.2 HSBC Bank Mandate & Authority of Clerk/RFO to make Transfers.
- a) Bank Mandate. A new mandate was signed by councillors agreeing to continuing the PC accounts with the HSBC bank. Three signatures (from the eight signatories) to be on all cheques paid by the PC. (CLERK)
- b) Authority for Transfers to be made on the Clerk's signature. A letter to HSBC bank, signed by all councillors, giving their authority for the Clerk to make transfers from one account to another on her signature only. (CLERK)
- c) Authority for Transfers to be made by FAX. Councillors and Clerk signed the HSBC bank form giving this authority. (CLERK)
- 8.3 Audit of 1999/2000 Accounts. The Clerk was on holiday in August when the accounts were to be delivered to the auditors. A new date was provisionally arranged by 'phone, and written confirmation was to follow. None has arrived to date. Clerk will investigate (CLERK)

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8.4 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no.	min ref.
8.4.1 <u>Invoices for August</u>			
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity (28 July 00)	9.00	D/D	
SINFIELD LANDSCAPES - 2 x grasscuts	94.00	100955	
JOHN F RISBY - Repair of picnic table/bench	35.55	100956	920/7.4.6
ODELL & CO LTD - Repair of tractor mower	<u>27.18</u>	100957	919/3.9.1v)
TOTAL FOR AUGUST	165.73		
Credit from POWERGEN for £7.69 was paid into the bank during June 2000.			
8.4.2 <u>Invoices for September</u>			
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity (28 Aug 00)	9.00	D/D	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's/RFO salary (July & Aug 00)	359.04	100958	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (July & Aug 00)	49.22	100959	
MKC - Dog Fouling - Partners Agreement	100.00	100960	924/4.1
JOHN F RISBY - 50% of cost of Notice Boards (for materials)	1068.00	100961	925/7.3
G FERRIS - Grass Cutting (new rates)	472.50	100962	919/3.9.1
G.FERRIS - Petrol for PC Mower	45.00	100963	
MKC - Local Council Conference (AP & CB to attend)	<u>60.00</u>	100964	
TOTAL	2162.76		
Treasurer Account (as at 18.08.2000)	£796.56		
Enterprise Account(as at 18.08.2000)	£12537.28		

£2000.00 to be transferred from Enterprise to Treasurer A/C to pay above invoices.

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mr Pilcher, seconded by Mrs Hayes. All agreed.

9. MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES

9.1 Councillors' Village Walkabout. The following notes were made:

- Perry Lane field gate. Mr M Cook will refix this after the harvest. -
- Windows damaged in Pavilion. These are noted and will be repaired in due course.
- Old Pavilion - graffiti and damage to slats. These have been noted.
- Area near Village Hall. Two trees to be replaced, one tree to be lopped and small grass area to be re-seeded.
- Play Area. Grass needs to be cut another mower width near the fence. Giles Ferris to be informed. (CLERK)
- Water Lane Sewer. Concern expressed about number of lorry movements in Water Lane collecting from the sewerage works. Enquiries to be made from Anglian Water. Technical details about sewage output, received in 1996 from AW, to be circulated to all councillors. (CLERK)
(CLERK)

9.2 Sports Pavilion.

9.2.1 Hire of Pavilion by Historical Society. The requirements listed in the letter received from Mr N Arnold, Historical Society Chairman, re using the pavilion for meetings, were discussed in full and the following points were agreed:

- Historical Society may use the pavilion one Wednesday evening per month, free of charge, for six months.
- The problem of extra chairs required to be resolved between the councillors and the Society, outside the meeting. Purchase of chairs by the PC cannot be sanctioned at this meeting, as the matter was not listed on the agenda.
- Society to pay for electricity used, via the coin meter.

9.2.2 Football Club Payment. Donation of £60.00 from Sherington FC for this season has been received. Mrs Haynes reported another donation may be forthcoming from other users.

9.2.3 Showers. These need upgrading. It was agreed to ask Mr John Arnold to give an estimate for this work. (WH)

9.2.4 Referees' Room. This needs enlarging. The agreement, given some year ago by the PC to Sherington FC for an investigation into alterations, was confirmed. (WH)

9.2.5 Electricity Meter. The Clerk informed the council that a new digital external meter has been fitted at the pavilion.

9.3 Grass Cutting.

9.3.1 Public Liability Insurance. This has been received from Mr Giles Ferris.

9.3.2 S 136 Arrangement. An acknowledgment has been received from MKC re including PC land in S136. A quotation will be forwarded in due course.

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10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 10.1 Spring Bulbs. Mr Whatton asked if there will be money available for planting trees and bulbs this autumn. The Clerk confirmed there is money available in the budget for this. Item for next month's agenda. (CLERK)
- 10.2 Waste Services. Mr Whatton voiced his dismay about the new services which will commence in October.
- 10.3 Dog Fouling Notices. Mr Hulston said he had seen just one dog fouling notice in the village. The Clerk has distributed 10 notices to councillors to put around the village stating the fixed penalty of £25.00.
- 10.4 Car with no Tax Disc. Mr Hulston reported a car with no tax disc. This is a police matter, but the Chairman will investigate. (WH)
- 10.5 Local Plan. Mr John Cook said the Local Plan has now been published and he noted that comments had to be made by 19 October 2000. The Clerk will circulate the Local Plan to councillors as soon as it arrives and an item will be put on next month's agenda. (CLERK)
- 10.6 Highway outside The White Hart. Mr John Cook asked for clarification on whether or not MKC will pay for the drainage work. Mr Buckle to be contacted. (CLERK)
- 10.7 Registration of Land at rear of 46 Carters Close. Mr King asked for clarification of the consent the PC will give. The Clerk has to sign and return a form, stating there is no objection with regard to the land which borders PC land. No letter will be sent.

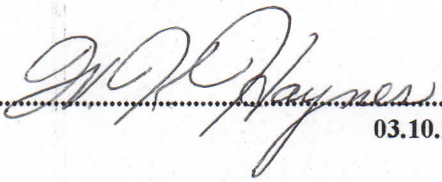
11. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.

- 11.1 New Head Teacher. Mrs Bearman asked for a letter of welcome to be sent to the new Head Teacher. Agreed. (CLERK)
- 11.2 Seat outside School. Mrs Bearman commented on the seat just deposited on the grass verge. Mrs Haynes said this has been moved, by persons unknown, from the recreation field. It is owned by Sherington FC and will be returned to the field. (WH)
- 11.3 Local Plan. Mrs Bearman said she has obtained notes on the Local Plan from the Internet and there are no developments for Sherington.
- 11.4 Retirement of Clerk. Mrs Bearman reminded the council that the Clerk had indicated her wish to retire. The Chairman asked for a note to be put in SCAN. (CLERK)
- 11.5 Parish Appraisal. Mr Keene asked for the committee to consider the matter of meeting rooms in the village and facilities available for societies and groups. Agreed.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

- 12.1 Tuesday, 03 October 2000 at 7.30 pm. Venue: Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed..........
03.10.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 8

(Received during July & August 2000)

- MKC - 'Stars Forum - Local Transport Plan'. Letter stating the latest version of the plan will be sent and comments can still be sent to MKC by 20.07.2000.
'Local Transport Plan'. Follow-up letter and Draft Plan.
- MKC - 00/652/FUL. **MKC Permit** Erection of Single Storey Outbuilding. 8 Crofts End.
- BUCKS COMMUNITY ACTION - 'Rural Transport in Buckinghamshire'. Questionnaire re rural transport.
- VICTIM SUPPORT - Information & letter requesting donation.
- MKC - 'Speed Check Campaign'. Notification of meetings in August.
- RECORD PLAYGROUND EQPT. - Letter & brochure of equipment
- SMP PLAYGROUNDS - Leaflet showing latest equipment
- RECYCLED PRODUCTS LTD - Details about 'Happy Landings' safety surfaces.
- BUCKS COUNTY COUNCIL - Environmental Services Briefing, July 2000. (*Does not appear relevant to us!*)
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT - Issue 10. July 2000.
- NALC - 'Local Council Review'. July 2000.
- GROOMS - Catalogue - bulbs for autumn & spring planting
- MK COMMUNITY MEDIATION SERVICE - Information & letter requesting donation.
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 29. July 2000.
- MKC - 'Parish Boundary Review'. Draft Order available for inspection at Civic Offices.
- MKC - 'MK Surface Water Drainage Study'. Letter & joint (with 5 other agencies) document.
- MKC - 'Bulk Skip Container Service'. Perry Lane 8-10 Aug. 2000. Leys View 19-21 Sept.2000 (*information sent to 'Meantime' & SCAN for publication*)
- THAMES VALLEY POLICE - Notice of next meeting: **Thursday, 21 Sept. 2000 @ 7.30 pm. Newport Pagnell Police Stn.**
'Best Value Performance Plan 2000/01'. Letter & Statutory Report from District Audit.
- MKC - 'Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum'. Notice of meeting: **Thursday, 05 Oct 2000 @ 7.00 pm Civic Offices. Items for agenda to be sent by Friday, 22 Sept. 2000.**
'Seminar - On Decriminalisation of Parking Enforcement and its Potential Impact on MK'. **28 Sept 2000 @ 6.30 pm. Civic Offices.**
- MK FORUM - Paper no 33 'The Development of Regional Structures'.
'Bulletin' no 75.
- LOCAL GVT COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND - Letters & poster. Comments on the review of electoral arrangements to be sent to the Commission by **16 October 2000**
- MKC - 'Dog Fouling Mtg'. Minutes of last meeting. Next meeting: **Wednesday, 06 Sept. 2000 @ 6.30 pm. Civic Offices.**
'Guidance for placing of Dog Fouling signs' plus ten small signs.
Request for £100.00 promised 'partnership' contribution.
- MKC - 'On the Lookout with Trading Standards'. Issue 4. July 2000.
- THAMES VALLEY CRIME STOPPERS - Letter & 'News'. Spring 2000. Request to advertise 'Crimestoppers' in the parish.
- BRITISH FIRE SERVICES - 'The Millennium Auction'. Request for donation.
- MKC - 'Facts and Figures: 2000/2001'. Letter informing council that the document will not be printed this year, but is available electronically on MKC's internal website - available to be view 24 hrs per day, to download or print.
- MK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - 'News'. Issue 21.
- MKC - Library Service. Letter informing councils of an opportunity to display parish material at the Central Library the first week in September.
- MKC - 'Local Council Conference'. **09 Sept. 2000, 9.30 am - 3.00 pm. Civic Offices. Fees £30.00 each. (AP & CB have agreed to attend.)**
- BALC - 'Newsletter'. August 2000.
'Consultation on The Local Gvt Act and Cllr's Conduct' - Consultation & Discussion Papers.
NALC/SLCC '2000 National Salary Award for Local Council Clerks' & 'Car Allowance for Clerks'
- MKC - 'Parish & Neighbourhood Consult. Assy'. Minutes of mtg held 22.06.2000.
'Section 136 Consult. Cttee'. Minutes of mtg held 22.06.2000.
'Rural Affairs Assy'. Minutes of mtg held 15.06.2000.
- JANICE & TREVOR EVANS - Letter addressed to Chairman re broken fence of property in Church Road (end of Carters Close, between nos 39 & 40). *Mrs Haynes gave Mr and Mrs Evans telephone number of The Land Registry Office (passed to her previously by the Clerk).*
- MKC - 'Rural Bus Challenge Competition 2000'. Letter asking if councils need new or replacement bus shelters.
- MK CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - 'Community Safety Forum' **Saturday, 16 Sept. 2000. 9.00 am - 1.00 pm. Church of Christ the Cornerstone, CMK.**
- SLCC - 'The Clerk'. August 2000.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets: 30.06.2000 to 18.08.2000 inclusive.

ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE: RECEIVED BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 2000

MKC - 'Parish and Neighbourhood Consultative Assy'. Minutes of mtg held 22.06.2000 & Agenda for mtg 07.09.2000, 7.00 pm at Civic Offices.

'Section 136 Consultative Cttee' Minutes of mtg held 22.06.2000 & Agenda for mtg 07.09.2000 to be held at the conclusion of Parish & N'hood Consult. Assy.

SHERINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Request to use the Pavilion on Wednesday evenings.

MKC - Events leaflets

MK FORUM - 'Does Milton Keynes need a Ken Livingstone?' Debate at Civic Offices 14.09.2000, 7.45 pm

MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 30. August 2000.

Delegated powers sheet 25.08.2000

MKC - 'Dog Fouling Meeting'. Agenda for postponed meeting *now to be held on 28.09.2000 at Civic Offices, 6.30 pm.*

MKC - Annual Parish Conference, 09.09.2000. Details re registration for delegates.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of Council Members at Sherington First School on Tuesday, 03 October 2000 at 7.30 pm

AGENDA

1. PRESENT
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES
3. MATTERS ARISING:
 - 3.1 Parish Appraisal Committee
 - 3.2 Extension of Play Space at Sherington Village Hall
 - 3.3 Village Notice Boards
 - 3.4 Edith Lucas Paintings
 - 3.5 Vacancy for Parish Clerk
 - 3.6 Maintenance Items
 - 3.6.1 Pavilion a) Chairs; b) Showers; c) Referees Room
 - 3.6.2 Grass Cutting
 - 3.6.3 Trees and Bulbs
4. CORRESPONDENCE (see separate sheet)
5. PLANNING
 - 5.1 Planning Lists: 01.09.2000; 06.09.2000; 15.09.2000; 21.09.2000; 26.09.2000 received
 - 5.1.1 00/1348/CLUP Certificate of Proposed Lawfulness for B1 Use of the Buildings with Open Storage on the Hatched Area. Smiths Yard (C H Smith) Water Lane. C H Smith and Sons Ltd.
 - 5.1.2 00/1488/TCA Notification of intention to remove Dead Wood and Prune One Scots Pine Tree Church Farm, Church End. Mr and Mrs D Pease
 - 5.2 00/982/FUL Erection of Haystore/Implement Shed. 1A High Street.
6. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
 - 6.1 MKC Waste Services
 - 6.2 Parish Partnership Fund 2001/2002
 - 6.3 MKC Local Plan
 - 6.4 Microlight Aircraft and other Flying activities
7. REPORTS
 - 7.1 Annual Local Council Conference
 - 7.2 Police Consultative Committee
 - 7.3 MKALC
 - 7.4 Clerk's Report
8. ACCOUNTS
 - 8.1 Income & Expenditure Accounts 1999/2000
 - 8.2 Country Watch Accounts
 - 8.3 Receipts & Payment Accounts 01.04.2000-30.09.2000
 - 8.4 Accounts for Payment (see separate sheet)
9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
10. COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS
11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
 - 11.1 Tuesday 07 November at 7.30 pm. Sherington School.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 03 October 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman); Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Hyde, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis, Mr A Pilcher. Apologies from Mrs C Bearman who is on holiday. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour will arrive approx 8.30 pm, after attending the Housing Cttee mtg.
2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES:**
Minutes of last meeting were agreed and signed as a correct record.
3. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 3.1 **Parish Appraisal Committee.** Mrs Haynes reported on the meeting held to set up the PC's Parish Appraisal Committee. Mr John Cook will Chair the committee meetings. The council members appointed are: Mr D Keene and Mr W Lewis. Three electors from Sherington had offered to serve on the committee, also a resident from outside the village, but with interests and a land owner within the village. It was suggested at the inaugural meeting that women and men of various ages, who are electors and/or land owners within Sherington be invited and a number of names were put forward. The committee to be made up of ten or twelve members.
Proposed: The Parish Appraisal Cttee be open to electors, land and business owners within Sherington. Pecuniary interests must be declared in writing. Mr Keene. All agreed.
NOTE: This proposal rescinds that agreed at the June meeting, ie minute 915/6.1.
Mr John Cook will form the committee and present the names to the PC for approval.
Proposed: To seek funding for the Parish Appraisal from the Parish Partnership Fund. Mrs Haynes. All agreed. JUN '00/6.1
ON GOING
 - 3.2 **Extension of Play Space at Sherington Village Hall.** A joint meeting to be held with the the Village Hall Trustees and representatives from the Management Committee on **Thursday, 19 October 2000, 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.** JUN '00/9.3.2
ONGOING
(CLERK)
 - 3.3 **Village Notice Boards.** The notice boards will be erected very soon. The frames have made and Mr Risby is awaiting the toughened glass. A decision has still to be made regarding a header for the board on The Knoll. Carved letters cost approximately £5.00 each. Mr Lewis to ask Mason's for an estimate and Mrs Haynes to enquire of Mr John Kitchen the cost of painting 'SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL' on the header. (WL)
(WH)
 - 3.4 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** Exhibition of paintings to be held in Village Hall, **on Sunday, 29 October 2000.** The Sub-committee of the Millennium Committee has asked the the PC to pay for the hire of the hall on that day. Mr John Cook (from the floor) said the hall will be used from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm, ie five hours. NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING
Proposed: PC pays for five hours hire of Village Hall for 29 October 2000.
Mr Pilcher. All agreed.
The Clerk has written to the VH Management Committee Secretary asking the Committee to consider allowing the paintings to be hung permanently in the Village Hall. To date £275.00 has been received from sponsors. A further £25.00 has been promised. NOTED
Proposed: A cheque for £300.00 to be sent to Squires Gallery for reframing.
Mrs Haynes. All agreed.
Note: £300.00 will have been raised by sponsorship and paid into PC's account.
 - 3.5 **Vacancy for Parish Clerk.** A notice has been put in SCAN. There has been one applicant, so far. The Clerk confirmed a starting salary for a new Clerk would be as recommended by NALC and SLCC, ie salary pro-rata on Local Government Spinal Column Point 15. SEPT'00/11.4
ONGOING
Proposed: A new Clerk to be required to attend PC meetings from January 2001 onwards, until present Clerk retires on 31 May 2001. Mr Keene. All agreed.
 - 3.6 **Maintenance Items:**
 - 3.6.1 **Pavilion.** SEPT'00/9.1
 - a) **Chairs.** Mrs Haynes reported that some chairs have been loaned for six months for the use of the Historical Society when they meet at the Pavilion.
 - b) **Showers:** Mr John Arnold has given a verbal estimate for refurbishing the showers. The cost is likely to be not more than £60.00 per shower for parts, plus two days labour, ie approx £440.00 in total. Councillors are of the opinion that it would be better to ask Mr John Arnold to refurbish the showers as he installed them originally.
Proposed: PC Standing Order 'J ESTIMATES' Number 18 (a) be set aside.
Mr Pilcher. All Agreed.
Proposed: Mr John Arnold to be asked for a written estimate for the refurbishment of the showers at the pavilion. Mr Keene. All agreed.

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3.6 Maintenance Items (cont.):

c) Referees' Room. Plans for alterations at the pavilion were passed from the Chair to all councillors and these were discussed. The alterations are likely to cost approx £1000.00. Some funding may be available to the Football Club from the Sports Association. The Football Club to be asked to make a contribution towards the alterations. **Proposed: Firm plans and costings to be obtained for alterations. PC to request 50% funding from PPF 2001/2002. Mr Keene. All agreed.**

3.6.2 Grass Cutting. A verbal estimate has been received from Vincent Landscapes, via Mr Findlay (MKC) for 12 cuts per season, commencing next season. Mr Findlay to look into the possibility of linking these cuts with the present S136 arrangements.

It was suggested a working party meet to discuss the MKC figures and compare them with this season's costs. Whether or not to purchase a new mower also to be taken into consideration. Item for next month's agenda. (CLERK)

3.6.3 Trees and Bulbs. Replacement trees by the Village Hall were discussed, but it was agreed to delay purchasing new trees until next year.

Proposed: Spring bulbs be purchased this autumn and £50.00 be allocated for this. Mr Keene. All agreed.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during September was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional short list, received at the beginning of October, was given to councillors at the meeting. The following was discussed:

4.1 Prohibition of heavy commercial vehicles - Order 2000. Representations or objections to be sent to MKC by 26 October 2000. NOTED

4.2 Bulk Skips. Information received regarding withdrawal of this service. Matter to be discussed under item 6.1.

4.3 18 School Lane. Letter from Mr Prosser (MKC) stating no enforcement action can be taken regarding the level of the soil whilst the building is under construction. NOTED

4.4 Audit of 1999/2000 accounts have to be taken to District Audit on 06 November 2000. Chairman and Clerk will attend the audit on 20 November 2000. The appropriate information is being displayed on the notice board. (WH/CLERK)

4.5 Beacon Millennium Committee. Sherington Millennium Committee has replied that they will be lighting a beacon on the mound. NOTED

All correspondence of interest to the councillors will be put on circulation.

5. **PLANNING:**

5.1 Planning Lists: 01.09.00; 06.09.00; 15.09.00; 21.09.00; 26.09.00 received

5.1.1 00/1348/CLUP Certificate of proposed lawfulness for B2 use of the buildings with open storage on the hatched area. Smiths Yard (C H Smith) Water Lane C H Smith & Sons Ltd.

The Clerk has spoken with the Planning Department and it was confirmed that company wishes to regularise the industrial yard. MKC is concerned with the changes that have been made during the last 10 years (but not before 1990).

The letter sent to the Chair from Mrs Bearman was read to the meeting.

This item was fully discussed. Planning Department to be asked for more information regarding the land to the eastern side of the yard. A site meeting with councillor(s) also to be sought. All agreed. (CLERK)

5.1.2 00/1488/TCA Notification of intention to remove dead wood and prune one scots pine tree. Church Farm, Church End. Mr and Mrs D Pease. NOTED

5.2 00/982/FUL Erection of haystore/implement shed. 1A High Street.

Letter from MKC with copy letter from the owner have been circulated. It was agreed councillors' comments should be sent to MKC. PC recognises it probably should not formally object, but wishes this to be the only development on site. (CLERK)

6. **MATTER FOR DISCUSSION**

6.1 Waste Services. The Clerk has spoken with the officer at MKC and followed it with a letter, expressing the PC's displeasure with regard to the new arrangements. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour stated (from the floor) that when the the Waste Services contract came up for renewal, the cost had increased enormously. The contract was the best that could be achieved at that time. Bulk Skips have been phased out, due to the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

Mr Rob Lawrence (MKC) is available to speak to the PC at next month's meeting and can arrive at 7.30 pm. Confirmation to be sent to Mr Lawrence. SEPT'00/4.7 ONGOING

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- 6.2 Parish Partnership Fund 2001/2002. Various projects were put forward for consideration, including a roundabout for the play area, part funding for which would be available from the Millennium sub-committee.

Proposed: Applications for 50% funding, for the following, to be put forward to MKC Parish Partnership Fund, 2001/2002:

- i) Repairs and refurbishments at the pavilion £1000.00 (PPF £500.00)
- ii) Village Appraisal (to include producing a final brochure) £2500.00 (PPF £1250.00)
- iii) Computer for use of new Clerk £1000.00 (PPF £500.00)
- iv) Children's Roundabout and safety surface £4000.00 (PPF £2000.00)

Mr Keene. All agreed.

- 6.3 Local Plan. The Local Plan has been circulated and comments made. Response sheets have to be completed for MKC by 19 October 2000. The Clerk advised that the completed response sheets need to show support or objections to the Local Plan. There are no developments for Sherington and the PC supports the Local Plan in general, although some comments had been made by councillors regarding the extra housing planned for Newport Pagnell.

Proposed: Clerk to complete the response sheets and return them to MKC. Mr Keene. All agreed. Copies to be circulated to councillors.

(CLERK)

- 6.4 Microlight Aircraft and other Flying activities. Mr Lewis had written a memo about this item and copies had been circulated to all councillors. Mr Lewis read the memo to the meeting and there was some discussion regarding noise and safety. Permission is granted for microlights to operate 28 days per year. It was agreed that some level of control is needed. Contact to be made with Cranfield to enquire about safety aspects.

(CLERK)

7. REPORTS

- 7.1 Annual Local Council Conference. Mr Pilcher reported that he and Mrs Bearman had attended the conference and will give a written report later. There were lively debates and there was support for local councils getting-on and undertaking tasks, especially the new urban parishes.
- 7.2 Police Consultative Committee. Mrs Hayes had attended the rather disappointing meeting with very little discussed except for speeding and parking problems. No statistics were available for crime figures. There are now three less rural policemen than previously because of retirements. The Rural Police Constable for this area is Pc Roger Calderwood, who is responsible for nine villages.
- 7.3 MKALC. Mr Pilcher and Mr Keene attended the meeting. The problem of audit fees was discussed again. It was reported at the meeting that money available in the Parish Partnership Fund is being reduced by between £10,000 and £20,000. Local Councils are now taking up their own issues, therefore, the future of MKALC as an organisation, is in doubt.

7.4 Clerk's Report.

7.4.1 Dog Fouling Meeing. The Clerk attended and reported that legislation is now in place and MKC will fine anyone guilty of not clearing up dog mess in public areas, ie £25.00 for first offence. The Dog Welfare Officer, Miss Allison Williment, is willing for her telephone number to be put in parish magazines so any member of the public can contact her if there is a problem with dogs. Note in SCAN.

(CLERK)

7.4.2 Electoral Review. Local Councils may request an increase in the number of councillors if they so wish.

7.4.3 Transport Plan. This includes a cycle route from Olney to Newport Pagnell. A letter to be sent to MKC giving the PC's support for this.

(CLERK)

7.4.4 Anglian Water Services. The Clerk apologised for not writing to AWS last month re the pumping station at the end of Water Lane, but would do so within the next few weeks.

(CLERK)

7.4.5 Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001. As yet there is no information from MKC about awards for the Perry Lane play equipment and new fence around the cemetery. The letter received from the Secretary of the St Laud's Church Committee (see Correspondence List) about the poor condition of the fence has been answered, notifying the church that the matter is in hand.

7.4.6 48 Carters Close. The Clerk has contacted the Planning Office about this property and was told that a new planning officer had been dealing with this matter. Planning permission has been granted, but the planning department would look at it again. (The decision is very unlikely to be reversed, however.)

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8. ACCOUNTS

- 8.1 Income & Expenditure Accounts 1999/2000. The appropriate account sheets have been circulated to all councillors and were available at the meeting.

Proposed: The I & E Accounts 1999/2000 be accepted and presented for audit. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.

Chairman and Clerk signed the statement which represents fairly the financial position of the council, as at 31 March 2000 and reflects its income and expenditure during the year.

- 8.2 Country Watch Accounts. The Clerk reported that the Direct Debits for the cellphones have now been cancelled. The No-Notice Business Account has been closed and money transferred to the Country Watch Treasurer Account. There should be about £49.00 in funds when this account is finally closed. No money will be transferred to PC's own accounts.

Proposed: Country Watch Accounts be closed and any remaining funds be sent directly to Country Watch. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

(CLERK)

- 8.3 Receipts & Payment Accounts 01.04.2000-30.09.2000. These accounts were circulated to all councillors and will be internally audited. There will be one slight alteration: Powergen Direct Debit for 28.09.2000 is included in the October payments as the notice was only received today (03.10.2000).

A question was asked about the balance in funds. The balance is higher this year as several repairs in the village still need to be carried out and money is held for projects linked with Parish Partnership Fund.

(CLERK)

Proposed: Balance Sheet be agreed and signed. Mr Keene. All agreed.

8.4 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no.	min ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity (28.09.00)	9.00	D/D	
SHERINGTON VILLAGE HALL - Annual hire office & store	27.00	100965	
SHERINGTON VILLAGE HALL - Hire cttee room (Parish Appraisal Meeting)	5.00	100966	915/6.1
P TEASDALE - Clerk's/RFO salary (Sept 00)	179.52	100967	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (Sept 00)	10.64	100968	
SQUIRES GALLERY OF OLNEY - Reframing paintings*	300.00	100969	928/3.4
AUDIT COMMISSION - Fees for 1997/98 audit	566.96	100970	925/8.1
TOTAL	1098.12		

Treasurer Account (as at 18.08.2000) £634.54

Enterprise Account(as at 18.08.2000) **£15665.61

* Amount received to date from sponsors: £275.00.

** This amount includes the half yearly payment of the precept and discount for S136, ie £5011.50

A payment of £60.00, for this season, was received from the Football Club last month.
Cricket Club No-notice Account: £671.66

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mr Pilcher, seconded by Mr Keene. All agreed.

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 9.1 Smith's Yard. Mr Pepper voiced concern about further development that may be planned for Smith's Yard, if a Certificate of Lawful Use is permitted.
- 9.2 Waste Services. Mr Pepper said that rubbish was collected, but no new bags were delivered to his and other properties.
- 9.3 Gate to Field (next to Recreation Field). Mr Michael Cook reported that the gate to the field where 40 cattle were grazing had been deliberately left open on seven consecutive days. A lock and chain has now had to be fitted. Notice to be put in SCAN.
- 9.4 Shooting Ground. Mrs Graham asked why the mounds (to reduce noise) at the Shooting Ground were never built. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour stated (from the floor) planning permission was not granted for an extended shooting ground to include the mounds.
- 9.5 30mph sign in Gun Lane. Mrs Graham asked why the sign has not been moved, as it is still hidden by tree branches. It was thought to be outside the village envelope.
- 9.6 Footway light in Gun Lane. Mrs Graham asked for another footway light as the road is very dark. Alternatively, a sign is needed to warn drivers of the bend.
- 9.7 Traffic Movements in Water Lane. Mr John Cook is concerned about future traffic movements in the lane and thinks questions should be asked of MKC if further development is permitted.

(CLERK)

(CLERK)

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- 9.8 Funds held by the Parish Council. Mr John Cook asked what will happen to the council's surplus funds. Mr Cook was assured that the money would not be taken from the PC.
- 9.9 Planning. Mrs King thanked the council for the efforts made over a recent planning application.
- 9.10 Council house in Church Road. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour reported on the Housing Meeting she had attended with regard to the house in Church Road. Mrs Seymour had complained about the house being empty for over two years and this was taken on-board by the Housing Committee. The house has now been completely redecorated and is ready for a tenant.
- 9.11 Library Review. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour asked the meeting to note the review in the 'NEWS' sheet. Newport Pagnell Library hours have been cut drastically. Mrs Seymour asked councillors and general public to write to MKC if they are concerned about this cut.
- 9.12 Council house drive in Crofts End. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour said this work will be carried out by MKC as soon as there is money available.
- 9.13 Seat on slide in Play Area. Mr Ferris reported the seat (concrete slab) at top of the slide needs to be repaired.

10. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.

- 10.1 The Knoll sign. Mr Lewis noticed the road sign not attached to the posts very securely. This is because the notice board uprights are broken. The sign will be repositioned on the concrete posts when the old notice board is removed.
- 10.2 Parish Council office at Village Hall. Mr Pilcher is concerned that the VH Committee had not given notice to the PC before the office was disorganised due to it being extended. Request to be made to the VH to notify the PC when any works are to be carried out in the office in future. The Chairman said this would be mentioned when the PC met with the VH Trustees and Committee.
- 10.3 Broken bench in Play Area. Mrs Haynes has been notified that the bench in front of the slide has been broken.
- 10.4 Christmas Tree. Mrs Haynes requested that the Christmas Tree for The Knoll be discussed at the November meeting. Item for next month's agenda.
- 10.5 Concrete Pipes in Play Area. Mrs Haynes reported that one of the pipes is full of litter and it is unlikely to be emptied by the new waste services contractor.

(WH)

(CLERK)

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

- 11.1 Tuesday, 07 November 2000 at 7.30 pm. Venue: Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm.

Signed..........

07.11.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 7

(Received during September 2000)

- MKC - Milton Keynes LOCAL PLAN. **CIRCULATED**
- MKALC - Agendas for Annual Mtg & Qtly Mtg *Thursday, 21.09.2000, 7.30 pm at The Olney Centre*
Minutes of Quarterly Mtg held 15.06.2000. **COPY TO AP**
- MKC - 'Community Information Network (COIN)'. Annual update. **ACTIONED**
No change in previously agreed information. Clerk signed form and returned as requested.
- MKC - '18 School Lane'. Letter from Mr Prosser stating: *"....The onus is on the developers to ensure that the soil is at an appropriate level.....at this stage, whilst the building is under construction there is no requirement for enforcement action."*
- MKC - 'Working with Children Recruitment Campaign'. Letter and poster.
- NALC - 'Local Council Review'. September 2000.
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT - Issue 11. September 2000
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Cut no 9 has been completed
- MILTON KEYNES CARERS PROJECT - 'Who Cares?'. Autumn 2000
- CAB - 'Annual Report 1999-2000'. Discover the Value of Advice (2 x copies)
- MKC - 'Local Transport Plan 2001/02-2005/06. Letter and Document, plus document 'Road Traffic Reduction Report' Annex A.
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 31. September 2000.
Calender of MKC Meetings 2000/01
- MK COMMUNITY MEDIATION SERVICE - Invitation to AGM *Wednesday, 11 October 2000, 12.30 pm at Acorn House, CMK*
- MKC - 'Bulk Skips'. Letter informing councils that new Waste Services will commence 02 October 2000 and outlining reasons for not being able to continue bulk skips. *As requested at September meeting, Clerk contacted MKC about PC's concerns. Confirmation was then sent in writing.*
- MKC - 00/832/FUL **MKC Permit** Double Garage, Rear Conservatory etc at 22 High Street
- MKC - 00/1063/FUL **MKC Refuse Permission** for Front Conservatory at 38 Carters Close.
- MKC - 'Ouse Valley Way Project'. Acknowledgment card, followed by letter thanking PC for comments: *".....which will be considered and discussed in due course."*
- MK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Letter and application for raffle tickets to be sold in aid of Foundation & charities.
- MKC - 'Housing Needs Survey'. Report of findings in 1999.
- MKC - 'New Refuse and Recycling Collection Arrangements'. Letter and leaflet re new services.
- WRVS - Letter requesting donation for projects.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets dated: 08.09.2000; 15.09.2000; 22.09.2000
- MKC - 00/1296/FUL **MKC Permit** Two Storey Side Extension at 48 Carters Close
- MKC - 'PROHIBITION OF HEAVY COMMERCIAL VEHICLES - ORDER 2000'. Letter and Copy of Notice of Proposal detailing restrictions of heavy commercial vehicles on specific roads.
Representations or objections to the proposed order to be made in writing by 26 October 2000.

Additional correspondence received September/October 2000

- PN PLANT SPECIALISTS - Letter informing PC catalogue is available on request.
- BEACON MILLENNIUM CTTEE - Letter and application form for a beacon on New Year's Eve 2000/2001.
Response sent. Millennium Cttee already replied to Beacon in the affirmative.
- DISTRICT AUDIT - Letter of confirmation and new document re audit of 1999/2000 Accounts. Accounts to be with auditor **on 06 November 2000. Clerk & Chairman (if free) to attend the audit on 28 November 2000 at 2.00 pm.**
- CELLNET - Two letters acknowledging cancellation of cellphones for Country Watch.
- DESTINATION MK - Information on businesses. Newsheet No. 4. Apri-September 2000.
- MKC - 'Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum'. Agenda for meeting at *Civic Offices on 05 October 2000, 7.00 pm*
- MK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Invitation to Clerk to Reception Posthouse Hotel, MK on *Wednesday, 18 October, 8.00 pm*
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Cut no 10 has been completed (*2 more cuts for this season*).
- MKC - 'Parish Council Land'. Letter received from Mr Stewart Findlay stating he has asked Vincent Landscapes to quote for cutting grass on PC land, ie The Knoll, Play Area, Recreation Field and Church.
Since the letter has been received Mr Findlay has telephoned Clerk with quotes, which will be given at the PC mtg.
- AUDIT COMMISSION - Acknowledgment of letter sent re audit fees for 1998/1999. Have passed letter to District Audit for reply.
- ST LAUD'S DISTRICT CHURCH COUNCIL - Letter from Secretary informing PC that fence at churchyard is in need of repair and suggesting funds are requested from the Parish Partnership Scheme.
Clerk has replied stating this is in hand and will let the Church Council know if/when a grant is available from PPF.
- MKC - 'Rural Affairs Consultative Assembly'. Agenda for mtg to be held at Civic Offices on *Thursday, 12 October 2000, 7 pm*

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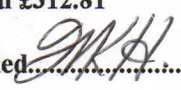
Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 07 November 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman); Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Hyde, Mr D Keene, Mr A Pilcher.
Apologies from Mr W Lewis who is away on business.
MK Cllr Mrs Seymour also sent apologies as she is attending the Lathbury Parish Meeting.

2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES:**
The Clerk confirmed with the Chairman that the date of the 1999/2000 audit is Tuesday, 28 November 2000. Minutes of last meeting were then signed as a correct record.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 3.1 **New Waste Services.** Mr R Lawrence (MKC) is unable to attend due to illness, but a new date will be fixed, in the near future, for an officer to talk to the PC. SEPT'00/4.7
ONGOING
 - 3.2 **Extension of Play Space at Sherington Village Hall.** A copy of the plan was received at the meeting from the VH Trustees. Copies to be circulated to councillors with a draft agreement JUN '00/9.3.2
ONGOING
(CLERK)
Proposed: The PC adopt plan as presented and agrees, in principle, to the extension of the external play space at the Village Hall. Mr A Pilcher. All agreed.
 - 3.3 **Village Notice Boards.** The three boards are now *in situ*. All agreed the boards are very attractive. Mr Risby to be sent a letter of thanks. APR '99/03
(CLERK)
ONGOING
The boards have all been fitted with locks, for which the Clerk has keys. Councillors wish the notice board at the corner of Crofts End/Carters Close to have catches fitted so it may be left unlocked for residents to use. Other matters were discussed including attaching a named header on The Knoll board. Further enquiries to be made.
Proposed: A further order be sent to Mr Risby for materials and labour in respect of the following: wood for header board and cross-piece to replace the name plate at The Knoll; catches for Crofts End/Carters Close board. Mrs Hayes. All agreed. (CLERK)
 - 3.4 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** Mrs Bearman thanked all those who helped at the VH on the 29 October 2000. The PC has received £325.00 in donations and paid £300.00 for restoration of the paintings. Mrs Bearman asked for the surplus £25.00 to be donated to the Millennium Committee as a payment towards the prints that were given (free of charge) to the sponsors. NOV '99/10.4
Proposed: £25.00 be sent to the Millennium Committee. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.
A limited number of prints have been made and no further orders will be taken. Amount raised by the Millennium Committee from the sale of prints is approx. £1000.00, which will help fund a new roundabout in the Play Area. Mrs Bearman asked the PC to consider further funding. It was agreed this could be discussed later when the 2001/2002 Precept is being planned.
No additional funding could be requested from the PPF 2001/2002 as the amount of £4000.00 was proposed and agreed last month (see minute 930/6.2). No adjustment to this amount is possible as PPF 2001/2002 is not listed on this month's agenda.
It was confirmed the PC will pay for the hire of the VH on 29 October 2000, as agreed at last month's meeting, (see minute 928/3.4).
 - 3.5 **Vacancy for Parish Clerk.** Only one applicant has applied for the post. The PC discussed whether or not to change the meeting evening. Councillors are prepared to be flexible. SEPT'00/11/4
ONGOING
The school is available on Monday evenings. It was suggested the post may be split into two parts, ie Clerk (administration); RFO(accounts). A new Clerk would be required to attend training sessions within the County.
Proposed: A boxed advert be placed in December SCAN. Mrs Bearman. All agreed. (CLERK)
(CLERK)
Item for next month's agenda.
 - 3.6 **Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001.** Grants for 50% of costs of new play equipment at Perry Lane Recreation Field (£800.00) and new cemetery fence at St Laud's Church (£300.00) have been awarded. Three estimates for each must now be obtained. MAY '00/7.3
ONGOING
(CLERK)
 - 3.7. **Maintenance Items:**
 - 3.7.1 **Pavilion Showers.** A firm quotation has been received from Mr John Arnold for repair of the showers: £272.81 materials; £40.00 labour. The work has been carried out and an invoice received. SEPT'00/9.1
Proposed: Invoice from Mr John Arnold, for repair of showers, total £312.81 be paid. Mr Pilcher. All agreed. ACTIONED

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Maintenance Items (cont.)

3.7.2 Trees and Bulbs. a) Trees. Mr Pilcher has lopped some trees on The Knoll, further trees in the Play Area need to be trimmed. Giles Ferris has been asked to remove all debris from The Knoll and Play Area. Cost of this will be £30.00.

Proposed: Giles Ferris be paid £30.00 to remove debris from The Knoll and Play Area. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.

b) Bulbs. Mr Pilcher has purchased spring bulbs to the value of £10.79 (see minute 929/3.6.3). It was agreed to have a working party to plant bulbs and trim trees:

Sunday, 12 November 2000, 12 noon - 2.00 pm. Meet in Play Area.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during October was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional short list, received at the beginning of November, was given to councillors at the meeting. The following items were discussed:

4.1 BALC - AGM. Invitation for two councillors to attend the AGM on Friday, 24 November 2000 at the Judges Lodgings. Councillors to let Clerk know if they wish to attend

NOTED
(CLERK)

4.2 Lovat School - Minor Authority Governor. New Governor required. Note for SCAN.

4.3 MKC - Oak Tree Preservation Order. MKC refused felling of oak tree at the Manor House and granted a Preservation Order to enable officers time to reconsider.

4.4 Rural Policing. Letter explaining reasons for low numbers of rural police officers.

4.5 GFX Hartigan. Letter informing PC that a planning application has been submitted for sand and gravel extraction at farmland north-east of Lathbury.

(CLERK)

All correspondence of interest to the councillors will be put on circulation.

5. **PLANNING:**

5.1 Planning Lists: 03.10.00; 11.10.00; 17.10.00; 24.10.00; received

5.1.1 00/1596/TCA Notification of Intention to reduce one Ash Tree and one Willow Tree. Church Farm, Church End. Mr and Mrs Pease.

NO COMMENTS

6. **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

6.1 Christmas Tree for The Knoll. A Christmas Tree has been offered for The Knoll and Mr Pilcher has agreed for electricity to be used from his property.

Mr Alan Parkinson has offered to decorate the tree with a group of helpers and has asked for additional lights to be purchased. Mr Parkinson to be thanked for his offer.

(CLERK)

Proposed: Three sets of coloured lights to be purchased at a cost of £10.00 per set. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.

(WH/AP)

6.2 Proposed Extension of Village Hall. Councillors confirmed that VH Trustees do not wish to proceed with the planned extension to the Village Hall. MKC to be advised that the £10,000.00 PPF grant will not be needed.

(CLERK)

6.3 New Rates for Clerks' Salaries for 2000. Details have been circulated to councillors.

Proposed: Clerk be paid the 2000 rate on SCP 22, ie £7.91 per hour, 24 hours per month (Clerk x 20 hours, RFO x 4 hours). Annual Salary: £2278.08. Increased salary to be back dated to 01 April 2000. Mr Keene. All agreed.

7. **CLERK'S REPORTS**

7.1 PC Minute Books. A letter has been received from Mr Barry Holliss, who wishes to continue writing the history of the PC and would like to borrow old minute books.

Proposed: Mr Holliss be given permission to borrow minute books, each to be signed out for a particular length of time. Mrs Bearman. All agreed.

(CLERK)

7.2 Corn Close. A resident tripped on the broken footpath recently. MK Cllr Mrs Pat Seymour and the MKC Highways Dept were informed. Repair has been carried out.

Proposed: Letter be sent to Mr John Inman, Head of Infrastructure (MKC) regarding the problems associated with the building site at 18 School Lane. Mr Keene. All agreed.

(CLERK)

7.3 Neighbour Dispute in Carters Close. Letter has been received from a resident regarding the removal of trees and shrubs from the boundary of neighbour's property. The Chairman agreed for the Clerk to send a letter notifying the resident that the PC does not have powers to deal with the matter.

This information was also given to the neighbour who telephoned to say a wall was being built between the two properties. Clerk advised the resident to contact own solicitor.

7.4 Agendas and Minutes for residents. A resident has asked if he may purchase a copy of the agenda and minutes each month. Copies are available in the two village shops and extra copies are given to the general public at council meetings.

Proposed: Agendas and Minutes are not delivered to individual residents. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

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Clerk's Report (cont.)

- 7.5 Anglian Water Services. A letter has been sent to AWS regarding the lorries visiting the pumping station each week. No reply has yet been received.
- 7.6 Parish Partnership Fund 2001/2002. Deadline for applications is now 17 November 2000.
- 7.7 Grass Cutting. Letter has been received from Giles Ferris stating the last cut has been carried out. The mower is in poor condition with chassis problems.
Proposed: Details of grass cutting costs for 2000 season; quotes from Vincent Landscapes (via MKC) for 2001 season and prices of new mowers to be circulated to all councillors between meetings. Mrs Haynes. All agreed. (CLERK)
- 7.8 Smith's Yard - Certificate of Lawful Use. The Planning Department (MKC) has been contacted, by telephone and letter, regarding a site meeting to discuss this matter. No reply has yet been received. Contact to be made again with the Planning Department. (CLERK)
- 7.9 Clerks' Annual In-Service Training Day. The SLCC Bucks Branch is holding this on 18 November 2000. Fees for the day: £12.00. Councillors agreed Clerk should attend. Clerk to include cost of fees in next month's expenses. (CLERK)

8. ACCOUNTS

- 8.1 Closure of Country Watch Accounts. Amount in account: £71.90. This matter will be dealt with during this month.

8.2 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no.	min ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity (30.10.00)	9.00	D/D	
JOHN F RISBY - Balance due for Notice Boards	1018.00	100971	
SHERINGTON VILLAGE HALL - Hire (Exhibition of Edith Lucas Paintings)	26.25	100972	928/3.4
SHERINGTON FIRST SCHOOL - Hire Sept-Dec 2000	60.00	100973	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's/RFO salary (Oct 00)	179.52	100974	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (Oct 00)	*6.52	100975	
ANGLIAN WATER SVS-Pav.metered water Apr-Oct'00	85.67	100976	
G FERRIS - Grass cutting for Sept & Oct 2000	223.00	100977	
G FERRIS - Petrol for PC mower	15.00	100978	
A J PILCHER (for GREAT MILLS) - Spring bulbs	10.79	100979	929/6.3
S J ARNOLD - Repairs to pavilion showers (£272.81 parts, £40.00 labour)	<u>312.81</u>	100980	928/3.6.1 & 933/3.7.1
TOTAL	1946.56		

*Clerk's Expenses for October amount to £6.72; 20p overpaid last month has been deducted this month.

Treasurer Account (as at 18.10.2000) £836.83

Enterprise Account(as at 18.10.2000) **£14721.40

**An additional £50.00 has been received for restoration of Edith Lucas Paintings (£25.00 of which is included in above figures).

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mr Keene, seconded by Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

9. **Pc ROGER CALDERWOOD.** Talk by our new Rural Police Constable. Pc Calderwood introduced himself to the PC and the general public. Crime figures are low in Sherington (Stoke Goldington and Emberton have greater problems). Nine crimes have been recorded during the year, one of which has been detected. These include one theft of a car and various car crimes. There have not been any reported burglaries in Sherington. The rural area has been extended, so the local officers have more villages and towns within the MK area to cover than previously. As there are fewer crimes in the villages, Thames Valley Police will not increase the policing in these areas. Questions asked by councillors and general public included: burglaries in the local area; crime in Perry Lane; abandoned cars; crime in Newport Pagnell; duty times of rural officers; problems of petty (door-step) traders. These traders should have permission to trade, if they have no license then the police would like to know. Pc Calderwood is willing for his new mobile 'phone number (07971-036218) to be published in SCAN. Calls to mobile 'phones should be of the non-urgent variety. Urgent cases should be referred directly to MK Police or through 999 calls. The Chairman thanked Pc Calderwood for attending the council meeting and for his talk.

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10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 10.1 Surface Water in Water Lane. Mr Pepper expressed concern about the water laying at the entrance to the stables (property of Mrs Rauta). Mr Buckle (MKC Highways) to be asked again to help with this matter. (CLERK)
- 10.2 Car Parking in Perry Lane. Mrs Gorf thanked the PC for arranging for the bays to be painted in the layby.
- 10.3 Notice Board for Perry Lane. Mrs Gorf asked for a new notice board to be installed in Perry Lane. The councillors agreed to discuss this matter prior to the precept for 2001/2002 being set. (CLERK)
- 10.4 Evening for PC meetings. Mrs Graham asked if MK Cllr Mrs Seymour would be able to attend the meetings if they are moved to Mondays. It is understood Mrs Seymour would be available on the second and fourth Mondays in each month.
- 10.5 Edith Lucas Paintings. Mrs Graham asked where the paintings are going to be on permanent display in the village. No decision has yet been made because there is not enough wall space for all the paintings in the Village Hall. Mrs Graham suggested exhibiting a few at a time and changing them regularly. This will be considered. It was agreed a note should be put in SCAN asking residents for suggestions. (It has been agreed to replace the originals with prints for display. Originals to be kept safely and out of constant light.) (CLERK)
- 10.6 Bancroft Field. Mrs Graham asked what had been happening in the Bancroft and if the work carried out was in preparation for the houses to be built on that site. Mr Michael Cook (from the floor) stated a wild life pond had been made from the small pond that was already in the field.
The Chairman said no plans had been put forward for building houses in Bancroft, so there was no information on that matter.
- 10.7 Smith's Yard. Mr John Cook asked about the council's response to the notice re Certificate of Lawfulness and why a site meeting had not been arranged. The PC has responded in a telephone call and letter stating councillors are concerned about development of the land on the eastern side of the yard. A reply is still awaited from MKC re this and a request for a site meeting.
- 10.8 Parish Partnership Fund 2001/2002. Mr John Cook objected to the council not discussing the request for funding to be increased for a proposed roundabout in the Play Area. The Clerk explained this could not be discussed as the matter was not listed on the agenda (even though the Millennium Committee had promised to assist with the funding).

11. COUNCILLORS OTHER BUSINESS.

- 11.1 Footpath: Sherington Bridge to Newport Pagnell. Mr Hyde stated this footpath has been considerably narrowed by overgrown weeds etc. Letter to be sent to MKC. (CLERK)
- 11.2 Discarded baby clothes in ditch near Mill Lane. Mrs Bearman reported this problem. MKC Cleansing Department will be informed. (CLERK)
- 11.3 Elborough Ditch. Mrs Bearman reported that this is silted and needs attention. Anglia Water Services to be informed. (CLERK)
- 11.4 Broken style by Mill Lane. Mrs Bearman reported the broken style. Clerk will enquire if MKC is responsible. (CLERK)
- 11.5 18 School Lane. Mrs Hayes reported on the state of the road and verges near this building site at 18 School Lane. Clerk was asked to mention this when writing to Mr John Inman regarding the Corn Close footpath. (CLERK)
- 11.6 Gate into Recreation Field. Mrs Haynes thanked Mr Michael Cook for repairing the gate.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

- 12.1 Tuesday, 05 December 2000 at 7.30 pm. Venue: Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 10.05 pm.

Signed.....

M J Haynes

05.12.2000

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 9

(Received during October and beginning November 2000)

- MKC - 'New Safer Journeys Strategy'. Letter and summary of strategy relating to 'Autumn 2000 Walk to School.'
- BALC - 'Keeping In Touch'. September 2000.
Annex J - Finance for Town & Parish Councils
Legal Update & Policy Update from NALC
'Local Heritage Initiative' (from Countryside Commission & others)
- MKC - Acknowledgment of Local Council responses
- VICTIM SUPPORT MK - Notice of 2000 AGM to be held on *15 November 2000, 8.00 pm at CMK Polic Station*
- LOVAL MIDDLE SCHOOL - 'Minor Authority Governor'. Letter notifying PC that Mrs Ann Thody had resigned.
Nominations are invited for governor to be co-opted.
- MKC - 'Dog Fouling Partnership'. Minutes of mtg held 28.09.2000. Notice that any complaints from residents may be phoned to Allison Williment (Dog Welfare Officer) on 252800.
Additional small notices re penalties to be displayed in appropriate places in village.
- MKC - 00/1335/TCA. Tree Preservation Order has been served as the council objects to the felling of the oak tree at Manor House, 4 High Street.
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Isse 32. October 2000.
- THAMES VALLEY POLICE - Letter from Inspector Searle re Rural Policing.
- MK FORUM - 'CMK: what is being planned for your City Centre?' Poster and handbills re presentation by the City Centre Partnership to be held *09 November 2000, 7.45 pm at Civic Offices.*
Bulletin No 76
- C - 'Facts and Figures: 2000/2001'. Letter requesting Clerk's name to be entered on the council's 'INTRANET'.
- DISTRICT AUDIT - Letter in reply to PC's re aduit fees for 1998/99 audit.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets: 06.10.00; 13.10.00; 20.10.00; 29.10.00.
- BALC - Notice of 2000 AGM to be held on *24 November 2000, 7.30 pm at The Judges Lodgings, Aylesbury.*
Invitation to two councillors to attend. Guest Speaker: John Findley, Chief Executive of NALC.
- COUNTRYSIDE AGENCY - Rural Survey for Clerk to complete.
- MKC - Events leaflets

Additional correspondence received at the beginning of November 2000

- ODELL & CO LTD - Letter offering discount for mower servicing
- GFX HARTIGAN - Letter and plan notifying PC of planning application for sand and gravel extraction north of Lathbury.
- MKC - 'Network News'. October 2000. Leaflet on Leisure Facilities.
- SLCC - 'The Clerk'. November 2000
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Cut no 11 completed
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT - Issue 12. November 2000

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 05 December 2000

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman), Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Hyde, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis, Mr A Pilcher.
Apologies from Mr C Bearman who is away from home.
MK Cllr Mrs Seymour also sent apologies as she is attending an MKC Meeting.

2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES** of meeting held on 07 Nov. 2000 were signed as a correct record.

The Chairman advised the PC that an extra item would be added to the agenda. A planning application has just been received and needs to be discussed currgently at this meeting:

5.1.1 00/1877/NOT Equipment Housing Cabinet at Manor Farm for 186K Ltd.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- 3.1 **Edith Lucas Paintings.** Mrs Bearman sent a message stating she wished the PC to be advised that she has the original water colours at her home for temporary storage. Councillors discussed suitable alternative permanent storage for the paintings. **Proposed:** Paintings be stored in lockable filing cabinet in PC Office at Village Hall. Mr Martin Williams to be asked to give advice re correct storage for preserving the paintings. Mr Keene. All agreed.
- 3.2 **Extension of Play Space at Sherington Village Hall.** Copies of plans and draft agreement letter, to be sent to Village Hall Trustees, have been sent to all councillors. **Proposed:** Letter to be sent to Mr J Hine, Chairman of Trustees. Mr Lewis. All agreed.
- 3.3 **Village Notice Boards.** A fixing catch has been added to the notice board at the corner of Crofts End/Carters Close, so this may be left unlocked for use by organisations in the village. Mr Risby has been thanked for carrying out this task.
Mr Pilcher has obtained some samples of sign writing. He was asked to liaise with Mr Risby with regard to the header for the board on The Knoll. Councillors agreed to meet together in January to discuss this matter.
Mr Pilcher reported he is willing to refurbish the old notice board (from The Knoll) and suggested it may be useful for the residents of Perry Lane. Decisions need to be made regarding fitting posts and location of the board. Mr Pilcher to negotiate with Mrs Gorf, who requested a notice board at last month's meeting. All agreed in principle.
- 3.4 **Vacancy for Parish Council Clerk.** An advertisement has been placed in SCAN, requesting applications by 31.12.2000. So far there have been two offers, one for Clerk (administration) and one for RFO (accounts). There was some discussion about the hand-over to a new Clerk and the change for the PC to meet on a Monday evening. Clerk asked to make a check-list of jobs that need to be carried out at hand-over. The Clerk advised that she is willing to continue in the post until 31 May 2001, but no later than that and is not generally available on Monday evenings. It was agreed to ask applicants for Clerk and RFO to attend the January meeting (first Tuesday in the month).
The files at the VH Office are not accessible at present (due to extension being carried out). Mr Pilcher agreed to speak with the VH Secretary about this matter.
- 3.5 **Christmas Tree for The Knoll.** The tree is *in situ* thanks to many volunteers. Thanks to all helpers to be printed in SCAN.

NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING

(DK)
JUN '00/9.3.2
ONGOING
(CLERK)
APR '99/03

(AP)

(AP)
SEPT'00/11.4
ONGOING

(AP)

(CLERK)

4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during November was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional short list, received at the beginning of December, was given to councillors at the meeting. The following items were discussed:

- 4.1 **BALC Seminar** on the roles of Clerk, Councillor, Chairman. 20.01.2001.
The Chairman said Mrs Bearman wishes to attend. Mr Hyde also expressed interest. Chairman to mention seminar to new Clerk. Applications to be sent by 12.01.2000.
- 4.2 **Election Hustings.** Letter received from Mr Brewis requesting the PC to pay for hire of village hall for hustings. Matter for next month's agenda.
- 4.3 **Parish & Neighbourhood Consultative Assembly.** Clerk advised councillors of matters on the agenda for next meeting on 07.12.2000. *No councillors free to attend.*
- 4.4 **Waste Services** Letter from MKC apologising for officer not being able to attend November meeting.
Proposed: PC invite an officer from MKC to attend and speak at the February 2001 meeting. Mr Keene. All agreed.

(WH/CLERK)

(CLERK)

(CLERK)

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5. PLANNING:*Mr Pilcher declared interest in item 5.1.1.**Mrs Haynes declared interest in item 5.3.***5.1 Planning Lists: 03.10.00; 11.10.00; 17.10.00; 24.10.00; received**

5.1.1 00/1877/NOT Determination under Part 24 of Schedule 2 of GPDO for installation of Equipment Housing Cabinet

Land at Manor Farm, off Sherington Road. 186K Limited

*Mr Pilcher declared he is connected with a competing company, but did explain the workings of the fibre-optics system, to help the PC to understand the application.**Councillors wish to comment that they question the need for such a large compound and the need for the equipment to be housed on that particular site.***5.2 00/993/FUL Change of use from Agricultural to Office/Light Industrial/Warehouse Manor Farm. J W Cook & Son. (Resubmission)***Most councillors were concerned about the lack of information (as previously commented to MKC). Councillors are also concerned about B8 use because of extra traffic and noise.***5.3 00/391/TNOG Monopole and Associated Housing etc at Compound off Bedford Road.***Government Inspector upheld the appeal made by One 2 One against decision of MKC.*

NOTED

6. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION6.1 Newport Pagnell Library Opening Hours. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour has advised that the financial cuts in Library Services will not now be made and Newport Pagnell Library will operate as previously. A Library Review Group is to be set up to look into the opening hours and operations of all libraries in the MK area.

NOTED

6.2 Extraction of Gravel at Lathbury. Mr Lewis introduced this item and gave details of his concerns regarding the proposed extraction of gravel in an AAL, on the borders of Sherington parish. After some discussion, in which other councillors voiced their concerns on problems in the area, it was agreed the PC does not have full details (only those outlined in the letter from GFX Hartigan) but the matter should be watched carefully. It was also agreed that the PC should contact Lathbury Parish Meeting about this matter.

(WL/CLERK)

6.3 Village Appraisal. The Chairman has received a letter from Mr John Cook who, due to personal reasons, is unable to Chair the Appraisal Meetings and lead the work to be undertaken. Mr Cook will pass on all the information he has gathered so far, to anyone able to take on this task. The Chairman asked councillors to come forward with any suitable names at the next meeting. Item for next month's agenda.(ALL CLLRS)
(CLERK)6.4 Smith's Yard - Certificate of Lawfulness. Mr Duncan Fox of MKC Planning Dept, advised the Clerk, in a telephone conversation, that it is likely MKC will award a Certificate of Lawfulness as it has been operating under the original planning permission from 1952. There has been outside storage since 1981 and an ariel photograph taken in 1985 confirms this. Mr Fox is of the opinion that MKC would not agree to a residential planning application for this site, particularly because there is no footway along Water Lane. He is willing to talk with councillors at the planning office where they will be able to view all the necessary documents. Mr Fox considers this preferable to a site visit. The Chairman asked the Clerk to obtain all the information, given verbally, in writing from MKC.

(CLERK)

7. CLERK'S REPORTS7.1 SLCC Bucks Branch Training Day. The Clerk gave a brief report, which included points about all PC meetings and committee meetings. Both must be minuted by the Clerk. Notes may be taken at meetings of 'Working Parties' then reports given to full meetings of PC. (As meetings of a 'Working Party' do not have to be open to the general public this may be a way forward for the Parish Appraisal). If two employees are appointed by the PC to carry out the administration and finance work, both must attend all PC meetings. A new Code of Conduct for everyone, ie Clerk, Chairman and Councillors will be published soon. A file has been produced by BCC for its councils. A couple of appropriate documents were photo-copied for all clerks. These will be circulated to councillors with other notes.continued.....

- 7.2 New Safer Journeys Strategy. The Clerk asked councillors if they wished to respond to the letter and document from MKC. Councillors have nothing to report, but note what is outlined in the document. Councillors agreed the proposed cycle path between Olney and Newport Pagnell will be a great asset when it eventually materialises.
- 7.3 Flying over the village. Cranfield Air Traffic Control has been contacted and the advice given is: a) Micro-Light Aircraft: The low flying rules apply, ie aircraft should not fly at less than 2000 feet and approaches should be made from areas where there are no buildings. b) Model Planes should be silent and be kept away from the village. Residents should not be disturbed. Negotiations should be made between residents and the owner of the field used. c) Manned Flying. Low flying rules apply (as above).
 A contact name and number was given if negotiations are not satisfactory.
 Mr Lewis commented that an advertisement had been placed on the internet regarding paragliding meetings in Sherington. Copy to be circulated to councillors.

(CLERK)

8. ACCOUNTS

- 8.1 Report from District Audit re 1999/2000 Accounts. The Chairman and Clerk attended the audit. The accounts were signed off and the Auditor's Certificate was presented for the PC. The auditor asked for the following points to be reported to the council:
 a) Chairman to always initial each looseleaf page of the PCs Minutes.
 b) Draft accounts to be presented to the PC by 30 September.
 c) Clerk/RFO to take responsibility for own Income Tax and to write to the PC stating this. Must give evidence to auditor that tax has been paid.
 d) New contracts should be sought for grass cutting,
 Notice of completion of audit to be displayed on Notice Board.
 Copy of account sheets and auditor's comments to be circulated to councillors.

(CLERK)

(CLERK)

8.2 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no.	min ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity	9.00	D/D	
J W COOK & SON - Hire of Recreation Field 2000/2001	100.00	100981	
SHERINGTON MILLENNIUM CTTEE - Donation towards Edith Lucas prints	25.00	100982	933/3.4
P TEASDALE-Clerk's/RFO salary(Nov'00+backpay to Apr'00)	262.08	100983	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's/RFO expenses (Nov '00 incl Training Day)	27.30	100984	939/7.9
G FERRIS - Removal of tree cuttings etc from The Knoll & Play Area	30.00	100985	934/3.7.2
G FERRIS - Hire of small mower for 2000 season	112.00	100986	
SINFIELD LANDSCAPES - 4 x grass cuts Recreation Field	188.00	100987	
A PARKINSON (for N COOPER) - Christmas Tree bulbs	20.00	100988	934/6.1
TOTAL	773.38		

Treasurer Account (as at 17.11.2000) £865.88
 Enterprise Account(as at 17.11.2000) £12774.36

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mr Keene, seconded by Mr Lewis. All agreed.

9. MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES

- 9.1 Trees and Bulbs. Mr Pilcher thanked all those who helped with planting the bulbs. The remainder of the bulbs will be planted in Carters Close and Perry Lane. Trees have been trimmed and cleared as planned.
- 9.2 Grass Cutting - this season's costs. The Clerk gave a copy of the costings to each councillor. A minimum of three quotes, in writing, must be obtained for next season. These to be obtained from Giles Ferris, Sinfield Landscapes (for recreation field only), Vincent Landscapes (via MKC) and one other. The quotes to be like-for-like, ie contractors using their own mowers.
- 9.3 Tractor Mower. Details of costs of a new mower were also given to the councillors. This matter to be discussed in January 2001. The Chairman said the present mower will have to be inspected as Giles Ferris had reported it had a cracked chassis.

(CLERK)

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10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 10.1 Resignation of Mr Philip Smith as Sherington Correspondent for SCAN. Mr Whatton asked for a letter to be sent to Mr Smith to thank him for all his contributions over the years. This was agreed by the councillors.
- 10.2 Change of Use of Barn at Manor Farm. Mr Peter Cook said he is willing to give councillors a site visit and explain the work planned.
- 10.3 Gravel Extraction at Lathbury. Mr Peter Cook commented that he respected that residents and councillors have views, but these must be factual when presented to the PC.

(CLERK)

11. COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS.

- 11.1 Registration of Land at Carters Close. Mr Pilcher wished to bring before the council a private letter he had written to Mr and Mrs King with regard to their objections to the piece of land being registered by Mr and Mrs Burton (Carters Close). This matter was originally raised at a council meeting when Mr Pilcher was Chairman.
Mr Ferris (from the floor) outlined the history of the problem, which had arisen when he was a member of the PC.
Mr and Mrs King have been given access to the minutes and councillors agreed this is acceptable. Very little is recorded in the minutes because the matter had been raised in 'Public Question Time'. It was agreed that the piece of land in dispute is not the council's responsibility. It is a private matter which should be resolved between the neighbours and the Land Registry.
- 11.2 Anglian Water Tankers in Water Lane. Mr Lewis asked if there had been any reply to the PC letter. No reply has been received to date. Clerk was asked to contact Anglian Water Services again regarding this matter. Item for next month's meeting.

(AP)

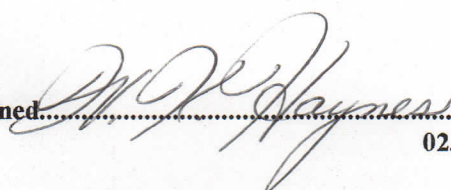
(CLERK)

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

- 12.1 Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday, 02 January 2001, 7.30 pm at Sherington School.
- 12.2 Budget Meeting to discuss 2001/2002 Precept: Monday 08 January 2001, 7.30 pm at Sherington School

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

Signed.....



02.01.2001

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 6

(Received during November 2000)

- NALC - 'Local Council Review'. November 2000.
- MKC - 'Periodic Electoral Review'. Letter and details of proposals sent to the Local Gvt Commission for England.
- MKC - 'Sustainable Transport and Road Safety Forum'. Minutes of mtg held 06.10.2000 and notification of next meeting: **Monday, 26 February 2001 at 7.30 pm. Civic Offices**
- BALC - 'Whose Meeting is it anyway?' Seminar on the roles of Clerk, Councillor, Chairman. **20 January 2001, 9.30 am - 2.30 pm at The Winslow Centre. Deadline for Applications: 12.01.01**
Cost of Seminar (including lunch): £17.50 per person.
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 33. November 2000
- MKC - 00/1488/TCA. **MKC Permits** pruning of scots pine at Church Farm, Church End.
- MKC - 'MK Local Plan: Deposit Version'. Acknowledgment card for PC's responses.
- MKC - 'Waste Services'. Acknowledgment of PC's letter with apologies for officer not being able to attend last month's PC mtg in Sherington.
- SAFETY CENTRE - Help needed for volunteers to help at the Safety Centre.
- WICKSTEED LIVEWIRE LEISURE - Leaflet advertising company's website.
- JENNY WATKINS GRAPHICS - Details of Christmas cards for sale.
- BUCKS COMMUNITY ACTION - 'In Focus'. Issue 11. Autumn 2000.
Information re event to celebrate 'Investor of People' status.
- BCC - 'bien'. Newsletter about 'Buckinghamshire in Europe'.
- J TOMS LTD - Catalogue of tree care and amenity products
- MKC - 'Register of Electors 2001. Draft register and letter requesting information if there are errors or queries.
- MKC - 'Holocaust Memorial Day'. Letter giving information of activities to be held on 27.01.2001.
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets 03.11.2000 & 17.11.2000.
- MKC - 'Ouse Valley Project'. Letter and project newsletter.
- VINCENT LANDSCAPES - Notification that 12th cut has been completed.
- MR R BREWIS - Letter to Chairman requesting PC pay for hire of hall for forthcoming Election Hustings.
- MKC - 'Parish & Neighbourhood Consult. Assy' Agenda for mtg on **Thursday, 07.12.2000 at 7.00 pm. Civic Offices.** (items include Local Plan update; PPF 2001/2002; Waste Contract)
'S136 Consult Cttee'. Agenda for mtg to be held at the conclusion of above mtg.

Additional correspondence received beginning of December 2000

- MKC - Delegated powers sheet dated 24.11.2000**
NCH Action for Children - leaflet re MK Mayor's Charity for 2000/2001
'The Mayor's Millennium Christmas Concert' at Open University 07.12.200, 7.30 pm
- MKC - 00/1596/TCA No objections from MKC to reduce of 1 ash tree and 1 willow tree at Church Farm, Church End**
- DETR & MAFF - 'Our Countryside: the future' Copy of Government's White Paper on the countryside**

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 02 January 2001

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman), Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Hyde, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis, Mr A Pilcher.
Also in attendance: MK Cllr Mrs Seymour.

The Chairman wished all those present a Very Happy New Year.

2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES** of meeting held 05 December 2000 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- 3.1 **Vacancy for Parish Council Clerk.** The Chairman stated she had received two applications. After some discussion regarding procedures, it was agreed to interview the candidates before the Budget Meeting. Because of other commitments of councillors on Monday, 08 January 2001, the Budget Meeting would now be held on **Tuesday, 09 January 2001 at Sherington School.**

SEPT'00/11.4

Proposed: Interviews to take place at 7.30 pm and 7.50 pm, Tuesday 09 January 2001 at Sherington School. Budget Meeting to commence at 8.30 pm. Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

(CLERK)

- 3.2 **Storage of Edith Lucas Paintings.** Mr Keene has spoken with Mr Martin Williams regarding correct storage of the paintings which need dry, dark conditions. Silicon gel will also help prevent damp if stored in metal cabinets. Mrs Bearman and Clerk to ascertain whether or not the filing cabinets in the PC office at the Village Hall will be large enough for the storage of the paintings.

NOV '99/10.4
ONGOING

Proposed: Mr Roberts of Spires Gallery to be asked cost of preparing paintings for storage. Mrs Bearman. All agreed.

(CB/CLERK)

Display arrangements of framed prints were also discussed, but no permanent arrangements have been made to date.

(CB)

- 3.3 **Village Appraisal** to be held over until a suitable person can be found to lead the project.

JUN '00/6.1

Proposed: Block statement to be put in SCAN notifying volunteers of present situation and requesting someone to co-ordinate the project (could be a shared position).

Mrs Haynes. All agreed.

- 3.4 **Seminar on Roles of Clerk, Councillor, Chairman 20.01.01.** Mr Hyde is the only councillor free to attend the seminar. Application and fee of £17.50 to be sent to BALC.

(CLERK)

- 3.5 **Extraction of Gravel at Lathbury.** Mr Lewis has been in touch with Mr Allen, Clerk of Lathbury Parish Meeting, and advised that Sherington PC would be in touch with him regarding this matter. It is noted that the planned excavation is very near the flood plain.

DEC '00/6.2
ONGOING

Proposed Letter to Lathbury Parish Meeting stating Sherington PC would be interested in a joint meeting when a planning application has been received by MKC from GFX Hartigan Ltd. Mr Keene. All agreed.

(CLERK)

- 3.6 **Smith's Yard - Certificate of Lawfulness.** Clerk has sent a FAX to the Planning Office asking for information, given verbally to the Clerk, to be sent in writing to the PC. No reply has yet been received. Mrs Bearman and Mr Hyde are willing to meet with Mr Duncan Fox at MKC. Mrs Bearman to contact Mr Fox direct. Councillors agreed that Mr Fox be asked to put notes of the interview in writing to the PC.

(CB/DH)

- 3.7 **Anglian Water Tankers in Water Lane.** Clerk distributed, to councillors, copies of letter received from Anglian Water. The letter was also read to the meeting. Certain answers to questions are not clear. Clerk asked to write again to Anglian Water to clarify various points.

OCT '00/9.7
ONGOING

(CLERK)

3.8 **Maintenance Items:**

3.8.1 **Notice Board for Perry Lane.** Mr Pilcher has still to contact Mrs Gorf about location of the board. Matter will be actioned soon.

(AP)

3.8.2 **Condition of present Tractor Mower.** The Chairman has inspected the mower with an engineer and has noted that the cross member, which holds the axle, is cracked. The matter to be discussed at the Budget Meeting next week.

(ALL CLLRS)

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4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during December 2000 was circulated prior to the meeting. The only additional piece of correspondence received is:
- 4.1 **SLCC Annual Conference** to be held at York in April.
The following was discussed briefly. Relevant correspondence will be circulated.
- 4.2 **Invitations from MK Mayor.** Reception at Civic Offices, Friday 09 February 2001.
Invitations sent to Chair and 'Secretary'.
- 4.3 **Milton Keynes Forum.** Report on response to Draft Regional Planning Guidance.
Mr Keene recommended this as being a well written summary of the response from MK Forum.

5. **PLANNING:**

- 5.1 **Planning Lists: 06.12.00; 13.12.00; 19.12.00 received**
- 5.1.1 00/1988/TCA Notification of intention to remove one Salix Chrysocoma and reduce branches of two other Salix Chrysocoma trees.
The Old Rectory, 16 School Lane. JJP Hine.

NOTED

6. **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

- 6.1 **Election Hustings - request for PC to pay for hire of Village Hall.** Mr Brewis, (from the floor) who had requested this item agreed that he would organise the hustings, ie invite all the political party candidates. The Village Hall Committee have agreed to allow the hall to be used on a Sunday evening, either a week or fortnight before the polling date of the next General Election. Mr Brewis asked for the PC to find a suitable Chairman for the meeting. The meeting to be open to anyone wishing to attend. The hall would be needed for approximately three hours.

(CLERK)

(ALL CLLRS)

Proposed: PC pay for hire of Village Hall for the hustings. Mrs Haynes. All agreed

7. **CLERK'S REPORTS**

- 7.1 **Waste Services.** The Clerk has spoken with Mr Chris Carvell, an officer at MKC responsible for Waste Services. It has been agreed an officer will attend our next mtg.
- 7.2 **Sherington Mound.** Mr Tim Screen of MKC telephoned to ask for more volunteers to help finish the work on the mound. A directional plaque will be made for the top of the mound. A note has been put in the February SCAN requesting volunteers. Clerk to telephone MKC to obtain further information regarding this and the fitting of the seats.
- 7.3 **Extension of Outside Playspace at VH.** Clerk has now written to Mr Hine (Chairman of Trustees) and sent a copy of this letter to Mrs Helen Vale (Secretary of VH Management Committee).
- 7.4 **Shared Cemetery Land.** Rector has asked for PC agreement for burial of a baby whose parents are not resident in the village at the present time. The Chairman has already agreed to this on behalf of the PC. Councillors confirmed their agreement.
- 7.5 **Councils and Clerks.** The Clerk distributed information sheets on these topics to all councillors.

(CLERK)

8. **ACCOUNTS**

- 8.1 **Memorandum from District Audit and Appendix 3 re 1999/2000 Accounts.** The PC agreed at the last meeting to the points highlighted by the auditor.
- a) **Memorandum** has now been received and this was read, by the Clerk, to the council:
- i) Ensure cheque stubs are initialled by two signatories.
- ii) Ensure annual accounts are approved by the council by 30 September and details minuted.
- iii) Local Councils are (other than in exceptional circumstances) responsible for the deduction of Income Tax and National Insurance contributions from their employees and payment of these deductions to the Inland Revenue. The council is liable for any tax that should have been deducted from pay whether actually deducted or not. Members should, therefore, satisfy themselves that the appropriate arrangements are in place in respect of the taxation of their employees and appropriate evidence is provided to audit.
- iv) Advertise closure of the audit when the audit opinion has been given.
- The Clerk advised that closure of the audit had been advertised after the December meeting and this will continue to stay on the Notice Board.
- The Chairman requested that the present Clerk sends a letter to the council stating she is taking responsibility for her own Income Tax for the current year.
- b) **Appendix 3** was signed by the Chairman. No comments to be sent to District Audit this year. All the above agreed by the PC.

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8.2 <u>Accounts for Payment</u>	£	chq no.	min ref.
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity	9.00	D/D	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's/RFO salary (December 2000)	189.84	100989	
BALC - Fees for Seminar	17.50	100990	941/3.4
SCAN PCC - Photocopying & paper (including 235 x 5p for Village Surveys)	<u>41.29</u>	100990	
TOTAL FOR January 2000	257.63		

Treasurer Account (as at 19.12.2000) £482.11
 Enterprise Account(as at 19.12.2000) *£12802.02

* Cheque received from St Laud's Church Committee (not included in above figures)
 for grass cutting in churchyard during 2000 season: £634.49.

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mrs Bearman, seconded by Mr Lewis. All agreed.

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 9.1 Millennium Book. Mr Brewis asked about the Millennium Book. The Chairman stated that it is still ongoing. Mr Pilcher said it should be completed in 2001.
- 9.2 Problem of water in Water Lane. Mr Bearman voiced concern regarding surface water in the lane. The Clerk reported she had spoken with the Highways Department about the icy highway and the excessive water still coming from the property opposite Water Lane Farm. Mr Bearman said there were two sources of water, one coming from higher up the lane. The Chairman suggested a site meeting with Mr Buckle would be useful. The Clerk to contact the Highways Department early Wednesday morning. (CLERK)
- 9.3 Footpath to Newport Pagnell. The Clerk reported on her further contact with the Highways Department regarding the tree across the footpath and the poor state of the surface and the overgrown hedgerows. The fallen tree will be removed. The council is asked to write to the Highways Department with the complaint about the state of the footpath. The Clerk was asked to send a letter. (CLERK)
- 9.4 Broken stile off Mill Lane. Mr Bearman asked for this problem to be mentioned to MKC. The Clerk is to contact Mr Mike Mellor at MKC. (CLERK)

11 COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS

- 11.1 Christmas Tree on The Knoll. Mr Pilcher said the Christmas Tree needs to be removed. He will be away from home for a few days. Clerk to contact Mr Alan Parkinson. (CLERK)
- 11.2 Corn Close. Mr Keene voiced concern about the state of the footpath. The council has not received a reply from Mr John Inman (Head of Infrastructure and Transport at MKC) regarding all the problems associated with the footpath. Clerk will speak with Mr Buckle about the matter again. Clerk to write again to Mr Inman and send a copy of the original letter. (CLERK)
- 11.3 Millennium Mapping Co. Mr Keene said maps, centred on any part of the village, are available on the internet. Cost of a map is approximately £20.00.
- 11.4 Cost of Electricity for Christmas Lights. The Chairman asked Mr Pilcher about the cost of the electricity used over Christmas and New Year. The cost will not be more than £25.00. Item for next month's agenda. (CLERK)
- 11.5 Sand for Water Lane. The Chairman said Mr Philip Smith had purchased sand to put on the icy area of Water Lane. The council is asked to reimburse the cost of this. Item for next month's agenda. (CLERK)
- 11.6 Water from BT Inspection Chamber in Church Road. The problem of water from the inspection chamber continues. Clerk to contact appropriate authorities. (CLERK)

12. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

- 12.2 Budget Meeting to discuss 2001/2002 Precept: Tuesday, 09 January 2001, 8.30 pm at Sherington School
- 12.1 Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday, 06 February 2001, 7.30 pm at Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 9.07 pm

Signed..........

06.02.2001

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 9

(Received during December 2000)

- GVT OFFICE FOR THE SOUTH EAST - 'Draft Revised Regional Planning Guidance for the South East (RPG 9)'.
Letter and documents with response form. **Responses to be sent no later than 12.02.2001**
- BALC - 'Keeping in Touch'. December 2000
Parish and Town Conference *at Green Park, Aston Clinton, Saturday 17.03.2001.*
Applications to be submitted by 16.02.2001
'Greens Grasscutting Services' advertising leaflet
Annex to Legal Topic Note 38 'Retention of Documents Required for the Audit of Parish Councils'
- ROSPA - 'Children's Playgrounds Annual Inspection 2001'. Leaflet
- BCC - 'Environmental Services Briefing' November 2000. *(Not very relevant for Sherington, but there is a brief note with regard to Milton Keynes Local Plan.' and other information may be of interest.)*
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 34. December 2000
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets 01.12.2000 & 15.12.2000.
- VICTIM SUPPORT - 'Annual Report 2000'. Letter and document.
- BUCKS RURAL STRESS GROUP - 'Pointing the Way'. Poster advertising Workshop on Wednesday 07.02.2001
at Green Park, Aston Clinton
- MK CARERS PROJECT - 'Newsletter'. Winter 2000
- MKC - 'Christmas and New Year Refuse and Recycling Collections'. Letter and calendar Dec 2000-Mar 2001.
- MKC - Invitation to Chair and 'Secretary' (!) from MK Mayor to Reception *at Civic Offices on Friday 09 February 2001*
Replies requested by 12.01.01
- K FORUM - 'Forum Paper No 34'. (Draft Regional Planning Guidance for the SE)
- SLCC BUCKS BRANCH - Notice of AGM on 13.01.2001. Also details of Weekend Training Course for Clerks at
Green Park, Aston Clinton on Friday 02.03.01 & Sat 03.03.01. Fees for weekend £55.00
- BUCKS COMMUNITY ACTION - 'In Focus'. Issue 12. Winter 2000
Details of Village Hall Forums during February 2001
- MKC - 'Parish Financing Arrangements 2001/2002. S136 charges likely to be £3,150.
PC Precept figures to be sent to MKC by end of February 2001.

SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held in Sherington First School, Tuesday 06 February 2001

Presentation on local Waste Services was given by Mr Lawrence of MKC. The full meeting of the council was, therefore, postponed until 8.15 pm.

ACTION POINTS

1. **PRESENT:** Mrs W Haynes (Chairman), Mrs C Bearman, Mrs K Hayes, Mr D Hyde, Mr D Keene, Mr W Lewis, Mr A Pilcher.

Apologies were received from Mr Pilcher, who would be late.

Apologies also received from MK Cllr Mrs Seymour who would attend if possible.

Mr Pilcher and Cllr Mrs Seymour were in attendance later in the meeting.

The Chairman advised the PC that an extra item would be added to the agenda. MKC has asked the council to further discuss the following application (for which additional information has just been received) and send comments by 14.02.2001:
6.2 00/993/FUL (outline) Proposed Conversion of Agricultural Building

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 2.1 Parish Council Meeting - 02.01.2001. Minutes agreed and signed as a correct record.
2.2 Special Meeting to discuss 2000/2001 Precept - 09.01.2001. Minutes agreed and signed as a correct record.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

- 3.1 New Parish Council Clerk. Letter received from Mrs J Sharp accepting the post offered. **SEPT'0011.4**
Proposed: Mrs Jennifer Sharp be appointed Parish Council Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer as from 01 March 2001. Mrs W Haynes. All agreed. **ACTIONED (CLERK)**
Model contracts to be circulated to councillors. Item for next month's agenda.
- 3.2 Storage of Edith Lucas Paintings. Mr Roberts of Squires Gallery is willing to pack and seal the paintings for storage, free of charge. Mrs Bearman to discuss arrangements for the display of framed prints at the Village Hall with Mr John Cook (VH Trustee). **NOV '99/10.8 ONGOING (CB)**
- 3.3 Smith's Yard - Certificate of Lawfulness. Mrs Bearman and Mr Hyde attended a meeting with Mr Duncan Fox at the Planning Office. Copies of further information, from MKC, were given to councillors, prior to the meeting. The matter was fully discussed. It was agreed that Units 1-5 should be classed as B1(c) ie Light Industrial. The open storage area was not used in association with these units, but only with units 6 & 7. **OCT '00/5.1.1 ONGOING (CLERK)**
- 3.4 Extension of Outside Playspace at Village Hall. A letter of acknowledgment has been received from Mr Hine (Chairman of VH Trustees). The Pre-School Organisers are applying for a grant and if they are successful the Trustees will confirm officially the terms set out in the PC letter of 20 December 2000. **JUN '00/9.3.2 ONGOING**
- 3.5 Problems associated with 18 School Lane & Corn Close. The Clerk received a telephone call from Mr David Lawson (MKC Transport Dept) stating the problem of contractors parking in the school layby was a matter for the police not MKC. **MAY '00/10.4 ONGOING**
No acknowledgments of the two PC letters have been received from Mr John Inman. It was noted that the additional fencing, bordering Corn Close, is being erected but the footpath is still in a very poor condition. Item for next month's agenda. **(CLERK)**
- 3.6 Sherington Mound. Work still to be carried out includes surfacing of the picnic area and raising the mound sufficiently for school aged children to see and read the planned directional plaque. Provisional date for volunteers is *Saturday, 17 February 2001*. The Clerk will confirm this with Mr Tim Screen, MKC, and pass the information to Mr Keene, who has offered to organise the volunteers. **JUN '93/03 ONGOING (CLERK/DK)**
- 3.7 Conditions of Footway to Newport Pagnell. Minor repairs will be made to the footway. There is still a problem of erosion of the footway and this needs to be rectified. **NOV '00/11.1 (CLERK)**
- 3.8 Maintenance Items:
- 3.8.1 Grass Cutting Quotations. Quotations have been received from all the contractors contacted last month. MKC has also sent sample costings for including the maintenance of grassed areas in the S136 Arrangements. These details to be circulated to councillors. **DEC '00/9.2 ONGOING (CLERK)**
Giles Ferris would also like to be advised of the basis upon which the PC would be prepared to offer him a position as an employee to maintain the PC grassed areas. It was agreed all documentation should be circulated to councillors this month. Clerk to write to two further contractors (names supplied by MKC) who specialise in maintenance of churchyards. Item for next month's agenda. **(CLERK)**

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4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** List of correspondence received during January 2001 was circulated prior to the meeting. An additional list of correspondence received at end of January and beginning of February was given to councillors at the meeting. Relevant correspondence to be circulated. The following matters were highlighted:

- 4.1 MK Council of Disabled People. Request for donation. Councillors will consider this when they have read the detailed leaflet.
- 4.2 MKC Play Areas. Questionnaire to be completed on local play areas. Mr Pilcher offered to complete this.
- 4.3 MKALC. Meeting at Olney on Thursday 08 February, 2001. Mr Keene to attend.
- 4.4 2001 Census. Help needed locally with the 2001 census
- 4.5 Rural Affairs Assembly. Clerk has been notified by 'phone that there is a meeting on Thursday 08 February 2001. No documentation has yet been received regarding this.
- All agreed to take the following matter at this point, although not part of correspondence.**

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Election Hustings. Mr Brewis (from the floor) gave up to date information on this matter. Hustings will be held the last Sunday prior to the General Election (possibly 29 April 2001). The four main parties have been invited. Mr Brewis will organise all publicity. Mr D Keene offered to be Chairman at the Hustings.

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5. **REPORTS:**

- 5.1 Village Hall Management Committee. Mr Pilcher attended the meeting and reported briefly. The matter of the continual use, by the PC, of the office at the VH was discussed. A meeting, composed of two councillors, two trustees and two members of the management committee will be held on *13 February 2001*. It was agreed Mrs Haynes and Mr Hyde attend the meeting on behalf of the PC.
- 5.2 Seminar for Councillors. Mr Hyde attended the seminar for councillors, chairmen and clerks at Winslow. The seminar was well attended with interesting speakers and Mr Hyde said it had been very informative.
- 5.3 Clerk's Report:
- 5.3.1 Gravel Extraction. A letter has been sent to Lathbury Parish Meeting stating Sherington PC would be interested in having a joint meeting if/when a planning application is submitted by Hartigans for gravel extraction.
- 5.3.2 Village Appraisal. A note has been printed in the February SCAN asking for a suitable person or persons to volunteer to co-ordinate the work of the Village Appraisal.
- 5.3.3 Water Lane Sewer. A letter has been sent to AWS requesting clarification of information given in a previous letter to the PC on tanker movements down Water Lane.
- 5.3.4 Mile Lane Stile. MKC has been informed of the broken stile, but the Clerk has been told that, unfortunately, there is no money available to carry out a repair.
- 5.3.5 Clerk's Salary Tax. A document has been signed by the present Clerk stating that Income Tax due up to the end of her employment (28.02.2001) with Sherington PC will be paid. The PC is absolved from any liability for Mrs Pearl Teasdale's Income Tax.
- 5.3.6 SLCC Bucks Branch. The Clerk asked council to share her pleasure in being awarded the 'Clerk of the Year Shield' for the year 2000 by the SLCC Bucks Branch.

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6. **PLANNING:**

- 6.1 Planning Lists: 03.01.01; 08.01.01; 10.01.01; 16.01.01; 23.01.01 received
- 6.1.1 01/027/TCA Notice of intention to fell two silver birch trees and reduce various other trees. 55 High Street. Mr E R G Willmin.
- 6.1.2 01/046/TCA Tree Presevation Order to crown thin by 30% two cherry trees and crown thin and reduce by 30% one pine tree and re-pollard one willow tree. The Small House, High Street. Peter Hoole.
- 6.2 00/993/FUL (Outline) Proposed conversion of agricultural buildings to office/light industrial/warehousing units. Manor Farm. J W Cook & Son
- Further information has been received from MKC and the PC has been asked to send comments before the Development Control Committee meets on 14 February 2001. A summary of the information was given at the meeting, but councillors wished to read through all the information before commenting.*
- Proposed: All information relating to this planning application to be circulated to councillors. Clerk to send councillors' comments to MKC by 14 February 2001. Mr Keene. All agreed.

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7. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

- 7.1 Community Transport for Young People. The Clerk had received a telephone call from the Transport Dept at MKC asking if there is a need for Community Transport in Sherington for young people. Clerk to contact Sherington Youth Club re this matter.
- 7.2 Parish Partnership Fund 2001/2002. Letter has been received from MKC suggesting the PC seeks funding from EB Milton Keynes for: a) refurbishment at the pavilion and b) children' roundabout. Clerk to write to EB Milton Keynes for information.
- 7.3 Parish Partnership Fund 2000/2001:
- 7.3.1 Cemetery Fencing Quotations. Three quotations have been sought, but only two companies have responded, ie G A Flack £316.00 (excl VAT) and K F Brooks £520.00.
Proposed: Forward the two quotations to MKC. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.
MKC may accept two quotations only and grant 50% of the lower quotation.
G A Flack to be asked to furnish the PC with names of two satisfied customers.
- 7.3.2 Swings for Perry Lane Recreation Field. Councillors agreed the most suitable type of swing, from the Playdale brochure, is the Junior Swing .
Proposed:Two more quotations be sought for similar log-equipment.Mrs Hayes. All agreed.

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8. ACCOUNTS

- 8.1 Precept Arrangements and Council Tax Figure: Sherington precept figure (as minutes of Budget Meeting 09/01/2001)for the year 2001/2002: £9700. Estimated figures only received from MKC: the parish contribution will not be increased by more than £3 per Band D taxpayer. S136 £3150 based on Band D equivalent tax base 419.53.
Proposed: The figures for 2001/2002 be accepted. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.
- 8.2 Internal Audit (April 2000 - January 2001. This was carried out by Mr M Bearman on 24.01.2001 and duly signed as satisfactory.
- 8.3 Annual Donations from Section 137:
- 8.3.1 SCAN Magazine & St Laud's Church. The annual donations of £150 and £120 respectively, as agreed in last year's precept, be paid.
- 8.3.2 Electricity for Christmas Tree Lights. Mr Pilcher asked for the payment of these costs, ie £25, incurred at 2 The Knoll be sent to the RSPCA.
Proposed: The above amounts be paid from S137. Mr Keene. All agreed.
- 8.4 Invoice from Audit Commission for 1999/2000 Audit. Hours and charges for this audit are: 21.70 hours at £25.80 per hour = £559.86 (excl VAT), which appear excessive. Included on the invoice are the charges for the years 97/98 and 98/99. The PC has already paid the 97/98 charges and the 98/99 charges are still under dispute. A cheque for £212.88 has also been received from the Audit Commission. The Clerk has endeavoured to contact the auditor responsible for Sherington (to discuss the above queries) without any success, as yet.
Proposed: Bank the Audit Commission cheque for £212.88, but hold over the invoice until next month. Mrs Hayes. All agreed.
- 8.5 Sand for Water Lane (frozen) highway. The Chairman presented two invoices for sand, £10.00 (Brian West & Son) and labour, £7.50, from Mr P E Smith.
Proposed: Cheque be sent to Mr Smith for £17.50. Mr Pilcher. All agreed.
- 8.6 Accounts for Payment:

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8.6.1 Broken window at the pavilion. The Chairman reported a broken window at the pavilion. As this is an emergency, she had purchased glass from UK Emergency Glazing.
Proposed: Cheque be given to Mrs Haynes for £14.10. Mr Keene. All agreed.

8.6.2 Invoices for February

	£	chq no	min ref
POWERGEN - Pavilion Electricity	9.00	D/D	
SCAN - Annual donation for 2001	150.00	100992	946/8.3.1
ST LAUD'S CHURCH - Annual donation for floodlighting at Christmas/New Year and contribution to cemetery	120.00	100993	946/8.3.1
RSPCA (via A J Pilcher) - Donation in lieu of cost of electricity for Christmas Tree lights on The Knoll	25.00	100994	946/8.3.2
P TEASDALE - Clerk/RFO SALARY (Jan 2001)	189.84	100995	
P TEASDALE - Clerk's Expenses (Jan 2001)	8.24	100996	
SLCC - Annual subscription for 2000.	43.00	100997	
P E SMITH - Sand and labour for frozen highway	17.50	100998	947/8.5
MRS HAYNES - Glass for broken window	14.10	100999	947.8.6.1
TOTAL	576.68		
Enterprise Account as at 19.01.2001	£12462.48		
Treasurer Account as at 19.01.2001	£619.20		

Proposed: Accounts be accepted. Mr Lewis, seconded by Mrs Bearman. All agreed
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9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 9.1 Recent problems. Mrs Graham mentioned problems of surface water in Church Road and the caravan parked by Sherington Mound. Local authorities had dealt with both problems.
- 9.2 Dog Warden. Mrs Graham asked if the PC is aware that, because of cut-backs, MKC no longer has a dog warden. PC has not been notified. by MKC.
- 9.3 Footway to Newport Pagnell. Mrs Graham said drains need to be cleared by the footway.
- 9.4 Cemetery Fencing. Mrs Graham wished to know why the PC is paying for the new fence in St Laud's churchyard. The PC owns the cemetery land so must replace the fence.
- 9.5 Van parked in Crofts End. Mr Peter Cook voiced concern about the vehicle parked each evening and weekends in Crofts End. The police do not consider it a safety hazard. The Chairman said she would try to locate the owner of the vehicle.
- 9.6 Storage of vehicles in field off the High Street. Mr D Ferris asked the PC to investigate what he believes to be unauthorised storage of vehicles on land, which is part of a smallholding, prior to discussing any issues arising at a future meeting. Councillors asked Clerk to seek information from the planning office.

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10 COUNCILLORS' OTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1 Sherington School. Mrs Bearman reported that the school is to have an OFSTED inspection, commencing 05 March 2001.
- 10.2 Items for next month's agenda. Mr Keene asked for the following items to be put on next month's agenda:
- Bridge parapet in Water Lane. This has been knocked down (by large vehicle) at the second turning head.
 - Ditch in Elborough field. The ditch needs clearing.
 - Surface Water in Water Lane. To ask MKC if it is possible for Highways Dept to carry out the necessary works of making a connection to the drain and charge the owner accordingly.
 - Verges in Water Lane. Large vehicles have driven over the culvert, at the side of the lane, damaged the verge. Some councillors think the verge may be privately owned.
 - Verges in Bedford Road. Vehicles are widening Bedford Road by eroding the verges and causing the edge of the road to become broken and full of pot holes.
 - Metal road across Bancroft Field. To enquire of MKC if planning permission is required for the metal road built on J W Cook & Son's land.
[Mr Peter Cook (from the floor) stated the road had been built to prevent noisy farm vehicles from having to use Crofts End late at night. He stated the Planning Dept is aware of the road and a planning application will be made.]
- 10.3 Bench at Play Area. Mrs Hayes said she had been advised by a resident that a bench had been broken. Councillors will inspect.
- 10.4 Retiring Clerk. As this is Pearl Teasdale's last month as Clerk to Sherington PC, Mrs Hayes thanked her for the work she had carried out on behalf of the council. Agreed by councillors. MK Cllr Mrs Seymour (from the floor) added her thanks to the Clerk.
- 10.5 Church Road. Mr Pilcher reported stone sets missing outside Mrs Line's cottage in Church Road. Highways to be informed.
- 10.6 Use of properties for business purposes in the High Street and The Knoll. Mr Pilcher reported that a resident is concerned about two properties and asked if the correct licenses and planning permission had been obtained. The Clerk to furnish Mr Pilcher with the necessary telephone numbers to pass on to the resident. These are not PC matters.
- 10.7 Faulty Light in Crofts End. Mrs Haynes reported that lamp CE1 is faulty.
- 10.8 Flooding by Chicheley Roundabout. Mrs Haynes mentioned this problem, which will be reported to the Highways Dept.

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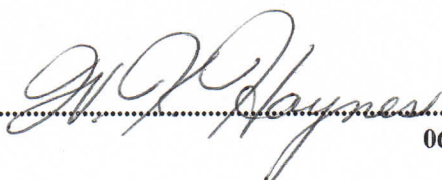
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11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 11.1 Tuesday, 06 March 2001, 7.30 pm at Sherington School.

The meeting closed at 10.05pm

Signed..........

06.03.2001

CORRESPONDENCE

Appendix 8

(Received during January 2001)

- MKC - 'Draft Revised Regional Planning Guidance for the South East (RPG 9)'. Notification of Environment Meeting 23.01.2001. PASSED TO DK
Note: Responses on planning guidance to be sent to the Gvt Office no later than 12.02.2001
- MKC - 'New Ways of Making Decisions'. Letter and leaflet.
 CENSUS DISTRICT MANAGER - Letter requesting help with 2001 Census
- NALC - 'Local Council Review'. January 2001
- MKC - 'Parish and Neighbourhood Consult. Assy'. Minutes of meeting held on 07.12.2000
 'Section 136 Consultative Committee'. Minutes of meetin held on 07.12.2000.
- MKC & COMMUNITY LEGAL SVS. - 'Second Annual Seminar' on 23.02.01 at Civic Offices 9.30 am 12.30 pm
 'MK Community Legal Service News' December 2000.
- BCC - Information on revised housing proposals for Bucks.
- MKC - 'Working with children recruitment campaign'. Letter and poster.
- YELLOW PAGES - Information re improving Yellow Pages
- MILTON KEYNS OUSE VALLEY PROJECT - Talk on 'Local Heritage initiative' on 06.02.2001
 Leaflet with information re grants also enclosed.
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT - Issue 13. January 2001. Also 'Suppliers Guide & Yearbook'
- MKC - 'NEWS'. Issue 35. January 2001
- MKC - Delegated powers sheets 02.01.2001; 12.01.2001; 19.01.2001
- MKC - 'A Taste of Milton Keynes' Letter and questionnaire re local producers
Responses required by 23.02.2001.
- MKC - 00/1877/TNOT Land at Manor Farm. Letter stating prior approval of the local planning authority is not required for the siting and appearance of the equipment housing cabinet for 186K Limited.
- MKALC - Agenda for Quarterly Mtg to be held at *Olney Centre, 08.02.2001 at 7.30 pm*. Minutes of mtg held 21.09.2000.
- BALC - 'Local Gvt Act 2000'. Consultation Paper on Standards Committees: Appointments and Procedures.
Comments to BALC by 23.02.2001.

Additional correspondence received at end of January and beginning of February 2001

- MKALC - Agenda for Quarterly Mtg at Olney on 08.02.2001 at 7.30 pm. Minutes of mtg held on 21.09.2000
- MK COUNCIL OF DISABLED PEOPLE - Leaflet about work of council and letter requesting a donation.
- MKC - 'Play Areas'. Letter and questionnaire on local play areas.
- MKC - RSPCA Information Poster & letter re dog owners being responsible with regard to farmland & livestock.
- MKC - 00/1988/TCA. MKC has no objections to felling of a Salix Chrysocoma & removal of branches from another Salix Chrysocoma at The Old Rectory.
- SHERINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Letter thanking PC for allowing society to use the Pavilion. A vacancy has now occurred at the Village Hall, so Pavilion no longer required.
- NALC & SLCC - National Agreement Model Contract of Employment (December 2000).
 Notification of changes in constitution of SLCC.

The Minutes of the Meeting of Sherington Parish Council, held on Tuesday 6th March 2001, at 7.30pm in the School.

Present: Cllr W Haynes (Chair), Cllr D Keene, Cllr C Bearman, Cllr D Hyde, Cllr K Hayes, Cllr W Lewis, Cllr P Seymour (MKC).

1. Apologies: None

Resignation: Cllr Haynes advised the Parish Council that Cllr A Pilcher had tendered his resignation as a Councillor for personal reasons. It was agreed that the Clerk should write a letter of thanks to Mr Pilcher, for all the hard work he has put in whilst a Councillor. The Parish Council does have a candidate in mind for co-option, but the vacancy will have to be advertised, if an election is not requested within the statutory period, then the co-option can take place.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting: These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters Arising:

Mowing Contract for Recreation Ground: A letter had been received from Sinfields withdrawing from the original tender due to pressure of work. Cllr Bearman suggested making an enquiry as to the contractor who carries out the mowing of the school playing field. Clerk will ask Synergy to quote also (cylinder mowing is required for this area). It was agreed that due to the time factor a decision on this (based on the best quote), be taken by two councillors before the next meeting.

Grass Cutting Contract: Various quotations had been received for this work, but the one from Ferris & Sons, was considered to offer the best value. This was on a self employed basis, where the companies own equipment would be used. The cost was £2,500, Mr Ferris is requesting a three year contract for which he would guarantee the price of £2,500. It was proposed by Cllr Hayes and agreed by all that the contract be awarded to Ferris & Sons, but the Parish Council will request this again in writing, together with up to date confirmation of their insurance cover.

Fencing at Church: A further letter had been received from the church regarding fencing, there appears to be some confusion, as Parish Council cannot be involved with fencing on the other side of the churchyard.

Sherington Mound: Cllr Hyde reported that they are now awaiting contact from Mr T Screen about the next phase.

Edith Lucas Paintings: Cllr Bearman reported that these were now back in the frames and that a meeting will take place this weekend to agree how many can be hung in the village hall.

Clerks Contract: Councillors had seen one version of possible Clerks contract but recently a further edition had been sent by BALC. This will be circulated before the next meeting and discussed again.



Clerks Salary: It was agreed by all that the new Clerk be paid £6.50 per hour for 24 hours per month.

4. Correspondence: A letter had been received from Olney Town Council, advising of a meeting on 5th March 01, to discuss the further reduction of manpower for the Rural Sector. A letter had also been received from Thames Valley Police on the same subject. To place item on April Agenda when Clerk will report on the outcome of the Olney Town Council meeting.

Surface Water in Water Lane: A copy of the letter sent by Milton Keynes Council to Mrs Rauta on this subject was before the Council. This was dated 5th February 01, but as yet the problem has not been rectified. Clerk ask to write to MKC and ask what powers they have to enforce rectification.

5. Reports: Village Hall- A meeting had taken place with the Trustees of the Village Hall, but no funding from the Parish Council had been requested. The speakers and PA equipment are to be put in the room formally used by the Youth Club. In order to share the space used by the Council with other users, surplus filing cabinets will probably need to be removed. Clerk asked to write to Village Hall Committee and ask for confirmation of their plans as the Parish Council will require secure storage space.

MKC Association of Local Parish Councils: Cllr Hyde reported that this was a very short meeting, at which Olney Town Council voiced their concerns at the level of policing. The subject of a reduction in the Parish Partnership Fund was also discussed, together with the new type of government structure proposed for Milton Keynes Council. The meetings have now been reduced to three per year.

6. Planning: 01/205-33 Church Road Sherington.

01/221-Sherington House, Park Road.

01/225-20 Church Road, Sherington.

The Parish Council have no objections to any of the above plans, the obvious problems to neighbours was discussed, but they will have been informed.

00/993-Manor Farm, Sherington. A site meeting had taken place with the Planning Department. It was confirmed that the limit would be 25% distribution, the rest to be small units. The implication was that the building would be in keeping with the area, plans awaited to confirm this.

7. Bridge Parapet in Water Lane: The open country side of the bridge is broken and could be dangerous, also the black & white bollards are broken and the wooden posts rotten. Clerk will write to Ian Buckle and request that these faults be rectified.

8. Ditch in Elborough Field: Anglian Water agreed to clear this ditch some years ago, this has not been done and is in need of desperate attention. Clerk will try to locate previous correspondence on this matter and chase Anglian Water again.

9. Surface Water in Water Lane: Already dealt with under correspondence.

J.K.A.

10. Verges in Water Lane: After the work on the culvert, Milton Keynes Council assumed responsibility to the edge of the metal road. It is not certain that all householders concerned are aware of their responsibility to edge of metal road.

11. Metal Road across Bancroft Field: Milton Keynes Council have asked the owner to put in a retrospective planning application for this road. Clerk will check with Milton Keynes Council whether this has been received.

12. Dog Fouling Scheme: A letter had been received from Milton Keynes Council stating that due to cuts in funding for this project the proposed payments from Paris Councils for the year 2001/2 would be £184, rising to £460 in the year 2002/3. These figures assume that all the current participants remain. If some withdraw, then obviously the figure could be much higher. It was agreed that the proposed figures were too high. Will await further communications on this subject.

13. Ditch in Church Road: Mrs Hetherington had written to Milton Keynes Council requesting that the ditch in front of her property be filled in. Ian Buckle had replied that application should be made from the Parish Council. Clerk asked to write asking MKC views on filling in all the ditch. Mr Ferris advised the Parish Council that since the weir was installed, there was no surface water from highway running into this ditch.

14. Finance: Cheques for Signing: It was proposed by Cllr Bearman and seconded by Cllr Lewis that the following be signed:

Cheque No 101000	- BALC	£4. 50	Next Meeting Posters
101001	- MKC	£60.00	Hire of School Jan/Feb/Mar
101002	- Bucks Comm Action	£15.00	Subscription
101003	- Mrs P Teasdale	£222.53	Salary + Expences

It was also agreed that the Clerks March salary be paid before the end of March, in order that the end of the year accounts can be kept in order.

15. Management Facilities: Cllr Haynes had organised the repair of the window in the pavilion, but another had since been broken. Cllr Haynes will organise a further repair.

The showers at the pavilion are currently out of use, as the coins are not being accepted. It was agreed by all that as there are currently only two users of the facility, Mr Arnold be asked to by-pass this system of use.

16. Public Questions: The following items were raised by members of the public:

Dog Fouling: since the Foot & Mouth Outbreak, there was an increase in dog fouling. Apparently shops have run out of bags, Clerk has obtained a further supply. In the absence of a Milton Keynes Dog Warden, then it is presumed that a private contractor will be employed to carry out the service.

Hedge in Gun Lane: The hedge belonging to Church Farm is causing an obstruction to traffic. Chairman will contact Mr Pease and ask that this be cut back mechanically by approx 3ft.

Proposed Units at Manor Farm: Concern was raised as to what hours may be worked at these units. Council advised that there will be restrictions on Evenings, Weekends, Bank Holidays. Also how much more traffic will this development produce in the village. These concerns will be restated to the Planning Department once the Council have received the Planning Application.

Litter caused by ripped Dustbin Bags: Due to the lateness of collections, there is more tearing of bags by animals and rubbish strewn around.

Office Space in Village Hall: If this is to become shared space with other organisations, then should they not all be paying a contribution.

Parish Council Mowers: If the new contract does not require the equipment, then mowers should be sold. The Parish Council should also ensure that they retain the storage space currently used for the mowers. Once sold they should be deleted from insurance cover.

Speeding Traffic in Crofts End: Can the Parish Council take any measures to reduce the speed of traffic using Crofts End?, red strips on road or "slow" on road may help focus on speed, but due to current budget restrictions, the funding is unlikely to be available.

17. Councillors Items:

Pre School -Cllr Bearman advised that Brian White MP had visited the Pre-School in the village.

Mower Disposal-Cllr Lewis asked whether the mowers should be disposed of by way of sealed tender bids. It was agreed to discuss this again at a later date.

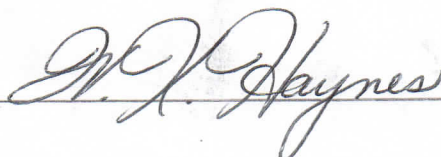
Free Newspapers: Cllr Keene had phoned the Citizen asking why papers were not being delivered, was advised that they did not have a delivery person, but that papers were available in the shops. There appears however to be an insufficient supply.

The Hustings: This event is still scheduled to take place on 29th April 2001. Councillors are asked to attend.

Litter Pick in Village: Cllr Haynes commented that the village was looking untidy and that a litter pick should be organised. It was agreed that this should be at 10.00am on 28th April 2001. A notice to this effect would be put in the SCAN.

Vehicles at 47 High Street: Following an enquiry by a resident, this has been followed up and the resident concerned given information of what action they can take.

18. The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd April 2001 at 7.30pm in the School.

SIGNED:  (CHAIRMAN)

DATE: 3/4/2001