

MOUNTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Mountfield Parish Council Meeting (Planning)
held on 10th December 2019

Present
Councillors S. Rickman-Smith (Chairman), M. Hardy, J. Ray,
J. Snuggs, S. Taylor, N. Whines
Mrs. I. Marchant (Parish Clerk/RFO)
Members of the public

1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None declared.

2. DISPENSATIONS

None requested.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Hollamby sent apologies.

4. OPEN FORUM

The Mountfield Residents Group asked that MPC support them in their compensation proposal to both Southern Water and Ofwat in the matter of the Mountfield First Time Sewerage Scheme. This compensation proposal consists of

- A permissive path around the reservoir.
- A lateral sewer to serve 1-18 Eatenden Lane, the cost will be approximately £45K.
- To invite the CEO of Southern Water to consider some form of Community Fund for Mountfield.

AGREED – that MPC will support this proposal. The MSG and the Clerk will draft a letter to the respective parties.

The Chairman thanked the MSG, and particularly Peter Miles, for the extraordinary work that they have done to provide Mountfield with a sewerage scheme, this could not have been successful without them.

5. PLANNING

5.1 Planning application for consideration

RR/2019/2525/P – Park Pale Meadow, removal of conditions 6 and 7 imposed on RR/2019/1370/P.

AGREED – to object to this application. MPC consider that the conditions imposed by RDC Planning on RR/2019/1370/P are there for very good reasons, amongst which are the protection of the HWAONB and to deter any unauthorised development.

5.2 Land for sale at Hoath Hill

The Members considered the overture from Elphick Developments asking whether MPC would support a small-scale development to the north of this land, leaving the main southern area open.

AGREED – that MPC would not support such a development.

- The land is designated as agricultural (pasture).
- There is no development boundary for Mountfield.
- The HWAONB must be protected, it is a legal designated landscape with statutory regulations.

Some Hoath Hill residents have received a letter regarding this land for sale from a company who are considering purchasing this land for market gardening (organic fruit and vegetables).

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This company are also interested in providing a farm shop. MPC considered that they are unlikely to support this venture due to increased traffic issues - trucks coming in and out, plus farm shop traffic.

5.3 Any other planning matters for discussion – none.

6. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

14.01.20 – Full Council Meeting

11.02.20 – Planning Meeting (provisional, will only be held if required)

Both to start at 7.30pm in Mountfield Village Hall

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