

MILLBROOK PARISH MEETING

Minutes of the Millbrook Annual Parish Meeting which took place on Wednesday, 15 May 2019 in the Village Hall, Millbrook starting at 7.30 pm

Present: 8 residents; Julie Todd – Clerk;

(Julia Shayler, Aeone Shrimpton, Clair Drury; Chris Shrimpton, Jennie Thomas, Stephen McCoy, Christopher Stokoe, Roger Evan) + Matthew Young, Grantscape and Martin Hughes, MPG

In attendance: CB Cllr Sue Clark; CB Cllr Robert Morris; Martin Hughes, MPG;

341. Matthew Young, CEO, Grantscape - Rookery South Community Energy Initiative

Grantscape have been appointed to manage the community grant by Covanta. Deadline for applying for £60 electricity grant is 28 June 2019. Grant is available for 35 years and is index linked. To date, 20 residents have signed up. Sign up session to be held on 21 May 3-6 pm in the village hall. Residents can also apply by post and online. An energy bill pre January 2019 needs to be presented. The grant covers 8 parishes and both the village hall and the church can apply. Another source of funding for projects is the Mick George Community Fund.

342. Martin Hughes, Director – Millbrook Proving Ground and Technology Park

Martin Hughes gave an update on MPG:

- Major building work coming to an end
- A laboratory to test emissions to be built starting June
- Expanding overseas – new site in California aimed at the electric car market – this will be the first laboratory of its kind in California
- Village fete – tours of test track will be offered – happy for these to be advertised on social media
- Skid pad is used during daylight hours – infrequent use at weekends

343. Nomination of Chairman

Chris Shrimpton was nominated by Jennie Thomas, seconded by Aeone Shrimpton with all in agreement. There being no further nominations, Chris Shrimpton accepted and took the chair.

344. Nomination of Vice Chairman

Jennie Thomas was nominated by Chris Shrimpton. seconded by Aeone Shrimpton with all in agreement. There being no further nominations, Jennie Thomas accepted.

345. Apologies

Apologies were received from: Theresa Evans and Cllrs Ken Matthews and Robert Morris.

346. CB Councillors' Report

Cllr Clark reported:

- Local Plan: 13/06/19 Marston Valley hearing – MPM will be taking part

- Millbrook Power – awaiting a contract before building
- Sandhill Close Opening – narrowing of entrance *Action: Sue Clark to follow up with CBC*
- Highways Walkabout – cancelled due to lack of manpower. Despite reporting via CBC website and on previous walkabouts little/no action has been taken. *Action: Jennie Thomas to send Sue Clark list of outstanding issues who will follow up with Michelle Flynn, CBC*
- Mark MacDonald is area highways steward.
- Marston Valley Stakeholders – meeting notes have been circulated to the Millbrook email group. Stewartby and Wootton have been invited to join the group.

Amphill RC – very outline plans for new site on Fordfield Road. This is dependent on developing the current site.

O+H Site Tour, Peterborough – Chris Shrimpton visited site and was surprised to see CBC Planning Officer at site office. Sue Clark confirmed this was all in order and PO is secretary to stakeholder group.

O+H Traffic Projections – Sue Clark reported that there should be a presentation to the stakeholder group prior to planning application. It was reiterated that highways serving this development and surrounding villages is a primary concern.

347. Minutes of Last Meetings – 14 November 2018

It was proposed by Aeone Shrimpton that the Minutes of the Parish Meetings held on 14 November 2018 be accepted as a true record of events. This was seconded by Julia Shayler with all in agreement.

348. Matters Arising

335i. Local Plan – Chris Shrimpton will be making a representation at the Planning Inspector's Examination on 13/06/19 re Millbrook becoming a rat run from proposed developments around the village. Written statement needs to be submitted by 28/05/19 to include a map. *Action: Chris Shrimpton/Jennie Thomas*

335 iv – Covanta – Construction due to finish in 2020.

338 Tree Survey – tree survey was conducted in April 2019 at a cost of £450. Two main issues identified - the chestnut by the playing field gate which needs a resistograph test and a damaged oak branch by the footpath. Ash tree close to electricity pole to be discussed at village hall meeting next week re possible survey and tying this in with the resistograph test. *Action: Clerk*

335 iii Traffic Calming – Lorries using Sandhill Close – best policy is to contact the company directly.

338 Open Forum – church path has now been cleared using manpower from the Community Payback Scheme. New rubbish bin on playing field.

349. Reports/Updates

See above

350. Correspondence

- VE Day 75 08/05/20 – it was agreed to register Millbrook's interest. *Action: Clerk*
- Pop Up Pub – the village hall would be needed to host the pop up pub and ideally be in conjunction with another event. It was agreed not to progress.

351. Finance

The finance spreadsheet was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions.

Millbrook PCC Donation – this was discussed in light of the article in April Bugle. It is hoped that Community Payback Scheme will continue to work on the churchyard. *Action: Chris Shrimpton and Christopher Stokoe to meet and discuss.*

352. 2018/2019 Annual Return

The Annual Governance Statement and the Accounting Statement for 2018/19 were circulated prior to and at the meeting and proposed by Jennie Thomas and seconded by Julia Shayler. Unanimously agreed.

353. Open Forum

Dog Poo Bin on Sandhill Close – *Action: Clerk to progress*

Village Hall Parking – Stephen McCoy reported that the overflow parking from the village hall is haphazard and hazardous. This perhaps could be remedied with no parking signs.

354. AOB

None

355. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 6 November 2019

Meeting closed at 2100.