**Minutes 1st February 2023 7.30pm**

**Present** -

**In attendence**

Adele Boughton (Clerk)

Graham Maw (Chair)

Pat Hardcastle (Vice Chair)

Carolyn Cumming

Kenneth McClintock

Clare Hodgson

John Ingle

**Apologies:** Asura Mohandas

Attendees: Nine members of the public.

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|  |  | **Actions** |
| 187/23 | **Public Open Forum 1**: Members of the public are invited to bring matters to the attention of the council. Please note that only items on this agenda can be discussed and agreed at this meeting.  -**None**. | Public |
| 188/23 | **Members’ Interests**: Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda, as required by the Maids Moreton Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.  **-None.** | MMPC |
| 189/23 | **Approval of minutes**: To agree the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on the 7th December 2022 and 16th January 2023.  -**All agreed.** | MMPC |
| 190/23 | **Co-option of councillors**  **-** Clare Hodgson co-opted onto MMPC  -John Ingle co-opted onto MMPC | MMPC |
| 191/23 | **Correspondence**  -Biodiversity grant has been given. Adele to contact Richard of Greenwood to plan. | MMPC and Adele |
| 192/23 | **Clerks Report**  **-**Adele updated. | Adele |
| 193/23 | **Finance**   * 1. **Schedule of Payments –** to acknowledge and agree to pay the invoices listed on the Schedule of Payments. All agreed. Precept was also mentioned, this has now been applied for.   2. **DK Childcare** -Fire Alarm decision- MMPC not buying the alarm and not maintaining it.   3. **To decide on Play in the Parish options**-MKPA a whole day event £925, £450 for half a day. Find out date as close to the date as last year and book. Look into Sponsorship. To book a whole day. | MMPC |
| 194/23 | **Maids Moreton Play Area**  -FCC grant has been agreed.  -Explained the process to all.  -Graham has a site meeting with Kompan on Tuesday. | MMPC |
| 195/23 | **Scout Hut-Digi lock, Roller Door, Flooring, quotes for roof and grant sourcing and insurance.**  -Burst pipe and major damage explained. Insurers builders will sort it and it is guaranteed for a year.  -Copies of the invoices to be sent to the builder, Adele to do so.  -Roof tin, needs replacing. Quotes have come in for the roof, waiting for a third quote.  -Community Lottery Grant or Community Board funding is a possibility.  -Community Board funding would cover the floor.  -Roller door needs to go, a separate meeting with the Scouts will happen.  -Digi Lock -waiting for conformation from Scouts insurers.  -Potential for key safe. | MMPC |
| 196/23 | **Alina Orchestra request for space in the newsletter**  -All agreed it can go in the newsletter. | MMPC |
| 197/23 | **196/23 Planning-**  **23/00105/APP - MAIDS MORETON**  -**Red House Nursing Home Main Street Maids Moreton Buckinghamshire**  **MK18 1QL** -  This is within the Conservation Area but not listed.  The proposed changes at the front would considerably improve the appearance from Main St as well as providing improved access and living space for residents. The extension at the rear of the property is for an enhanced staircase and lift, which presumably are to better meet health and safety requirements. The rear extension looks far from attractive but that is presumably because of its function. The external walls of the block structure containing the stairs and lift could be made less austere and perhaps have a pitched roof to reduce its carbuncle-like appearance!  **21/03175/APP - MAIDS MORETON**  **Brookfield Cottage Wellmore Maids Moreton Buckinghamshire MK18 1QQ -**  Kirstie Elliot, sent an email on 24 Jan 2023 requesting we review the revised plans to see if they met our objection. It was refreshing and welcome to have such courteous and considerate engagement from BC planning.  To respond to her as below and thank her for her courteous and considerate email, which MMPC greatly appreciated:  MMPC wishes to thank the applicants for the thoughtful steps they have taken to respond to our earlier comments. The revised plans appear to us to have met fully all the points that we raised previously.  MMPC supports this application. **22/04000/APP – House in former pub car park-** Application refused by BC, MMPC do not need to comment further. **22/04309/APP – Whitney Box Cottage –** No response for Whitney Box cottage, the argument is between the applicant and BC Heritage Officer. MMPC can monitor what happens and engage if it seems that we should do so.   **23/00253/APP – Maple Lodge, South Hall-**  The design of the proposed 3 bed dwelling emulates that of Maple Lodge with a low roofline and broad shallow gables. The plans do not contain details of the materials other than brick for the walls and slate for the roof; the bricks would presumably match those used for Maple Lodge itself. There is no information on hardstanding, which should be permeable, nor on the type and height of the fence between the properties or its ownership.  The footprint of the new dwelling is quite similar in area to that of Maple Lodge, the garden is relatively small in comparison, meaning that taken together there is a substantial imbalance between the two, suggesting overdevelopment. Maple Lodge is recorded as having four bedrooms and if so, would require 3 parking spaces; if it has only three, it would require 2.5, as would the proposed new dwelling. The site plan is unclear on what is parking space and what is turning space and this needs to be clarified.  The plan requires removal of three trees, a sycamore and a goat willow, classed as C1 and an ornamental Prunus, categorised as B1. The ecological report does not give the dimensions of the trees to be removed. The goat willow T9 is a substantial 8 to 10 m tall native tree with a healthy open-grown and spreading crown; its classification as C1 should be reviewed by a tree officer.  On the basis of the points noted above, MMPC objects to this proposal as currently specified.  -Planning consent for 170 houses, MMPC to monitor concerns. | MMPC |
| 198/23 | **Scotts Lane**  -Waiting for further information. | MMPC |
| 199/23 | **Coronation**  -8th May will be the date.  -Carolyn has applied for a pack to see what can be done.  -Pat waiting for information for music.  -Carolyn and Clare to liaise.  -A working group needs to be set up.  -Adele to ask the Bucks CC council how to close Main Street for the day. | MMPC |
| 200/23 | **Litter Pick**  -Carolyn and Pat to sort a sign.  -Conservation Group to come back with a date. | MMPC |
| 201/23 | **Councillors open forum**  -The Mound for agenda for March. | MMPC |
| 202/23 | **Public Open Forum**  -Street light concern, suggested to report it to Fixmystreet. | PUBLIC |
| 203/23 | **Date of next meeting 1st March 2023**  -All agreed. | MMPC |

**Meeting ended:** 20.57

Chair’s Signature Date

**Payments agreed at meeting:**

**Schedule of payments and bank balances-Feb 2023**

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| Date | Invoice Details | Amount inc VAT | Signature | Signature |
| 15/12/22 | Phillips Print Stationers | £387.22 |  |  |
| 31/12/22 | Barbara Osbourne | £67.50 |  |  |
| 30/01/23 | Graham Maw | £18.35 |  |  |
| 30/01/23 | Andrew Gibbs | £46.00 |  |  |
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Clerk Renumeration and expenses

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| A Boughton | Working from Home Allowance | £26.00- Jan |  |  |
| A Boughton | Renumeration | £792.60 |  |  |
| A Boughton | Ink for G Maw | £12.54 |  |  |
| A Boughton | Printer Cable | £5.94 |  |  |
| A Boughton | Laminator sheet for G Maw | £11.99 |  |  |
|  | Total | £849.07 |  |  |
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Paid/Agreed to be paid with Authorisation mid month

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| A Boughton | Working from Home Allowance | £26.00 -Dec |  |  |
| A Boughton | Renumeration | £792.60 -Dec |  |  |
|  | Total | £818.60 -Dec |  |  |
| Fiona Hancock | BackPay | £26.50 |  |  |
| GPD Heating |  | £396.00 to be claimed back via insurance |  |  |
| Paragon | Dehumidifier | £288.00 |  |  |
| Pat Hardcastle for Huws Gray (Insulation Roll) | Insulation Roll | £144.00 |  |  |
| Lattimer Electrical Services | Electrical damage to Scout Hut after leak | £509.04 |  |  |

Account balances

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| Treasurers account | £14,179.93 on 30/11/22 |  |  |  |
| Business Account | £32,697.70 on  30/11/22 |  |  |  |
| Precept | Total for 2022/2023 received |  |  |  |

2022/2023 Direct Debit Payments

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| Octopus Energy -Electric Playing Fields - Monthly  Opus Energy- Gas Cricket Pavillion- Monthly  Opus Energy -Gas Scout Hut- Monthly  SSE-Street Lighting- Monthly  Anglian Water Playing Field- Quarterly  ICO - Annually  HP Print-Direct Card Payment- Monthly |

*Excerpt from Financial Regulations May 2022: 4. Budgetary control and authority to spend 4.1. Expenditure on revenue items may be authorised up to the amounts included for that class of expenditure in the approved budget. This authority is to be determined by: • the council for all items at £500 or above; • the Clerk, in conjunction with Chairman of Council, for any items below £500. Such authority is to be evidenced by a minute and/or by an authorisation slip duly signed by the Clerk, and where necessary also by the appropriate Chairman.*