

# Mawsley Parish Council

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Minutes of the **Ordinary meeting of Mawsley Parish Council** held on Monday June 17th 2024, at 7.15pm. The meeting took place at TCAM.

## **Present**

In person – Councillors R Barnwell (Chairman), K White, A Moore, W Bontoft, N Clode, S Kennedy ( 7.45pm) and J Bullock

**24/68 Apologies.** No apologies received.

**24/69 Public Session.** The council will receive and process comments and questions from members of the public/press in accordance with the Standing Orders. Any comments are restricted to a maximum of 3 minutes per person and 15 minutes in total.

A member of the public attended the meeting to speak about the planning application NK/2024/0304 Barnwell Court, 4 No' electric vehicle charging units. The resident voiced his concerns regarding this application which were noted, the application will be discussed later on.

**24/70 Declaration of Interests** and requests for dispensations for agenda items—members to declare any pecuniary or prejudicial interests in relation to items on the agenda, Clerk to consider dispensation requests.

Cllr Clode declared an interest in item 24/76 as a member of the Friends of Mawsley School.

## **24/71 Minutes of the Annual parish council meeting May 20<sup>th</sup> 2024**

It was **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, they were signed as a true record.

## **24/72 Matters arising from previous meetings, no decisions made.**

None

## **24/73 North Northants Councillor update (for information)**

None

## **24/74 To receive brief reports from Councillors attending meetings or training on behalf of Mawsley PC.**

Cllr Clode and Cllr Bullock both attended a Skate Ramp Working Group meeting.

## **24/75 Planning**

**1.New applications.** To discuss and resolve comments on the following applications, Councillors please view these applications online before the meeting.

**NK/2024/0337** 4 Main Street, Mawsley, NN14 1GA Replacement front windows

It was **Resolved** to submit No Comments

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**NK/2024/0304** Barnwell Court, The Green, Mawsley, NN14 1FG Creation of 4no. electric vehicle charging points, erection of substation and associated electrical infrastructure

It was **Resolved** to submit an Objection for the following reasons –

- Loss of amenity to the neighbouring residents
- Concerns over the safety of pedestrians using the neighbouring highway due to an increase in cars parking on the highway as a result of the loss of parking spaces in the car park.

The clerk will submit the objection.

2. Appeal notification (no action needed)

Householder appeal APP/M2840/D/24/3343387 against refusal of the following application -

Full Planning Permission: Conversion of detached garage to form residential annexe.

Creation of 2 no. parking spaces 2 Main Street, Mawsley

Noted.

3. Greenhill Solar Farm proposal – to agree council action, if any at this time (no application submitted to date) Item requested by Cllr Clode.

This item was noted, however, as there is no application yet there is nothing for the council to respond to.

It was agreed that the clerk would put some information on the council website regarding this proposal so that residents are aware.

## **24/76 Grant application**

Resolution to approve the grant application from Friends of Mawsley School for £656.00 which will be used for a road safety initiative.

Cllr Clode explained that the application was for £656.00 to fund the purchase of some road safety signs and other equipment to help with pedestrian safety in the vicinity of the school.

It was **Resolved** to approve the application

## **24/77 Finance**

1.To approve the following payments for June 2024

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
F Young	Clerks salary June	£826.64
HMRC	Tax & NI ( 3 months)	733.74
TCAM	Room hire inv 8520	25.50

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Blossom and Bloom	Gardener	47.00
Ncalc	Flying start Cllr Kennedy	57.60
Friends of Mawsley School	Grant	656.00

2. To note receipt of the bank reconciliation statement for 31.05.2024

Opening balance 01.04.2024 £183,675.65 plus receipts £73,601.10 minus payments  
£32,169.17 = £225,107.58

Bank balance as at 31st May 2024 £225,107.58

Noted and approved.

3. Confirmation that checks by the internal controls councillor have been completed.

Cllr Moore confirmed that the internal controls checks have been completed and there are no concerns.

## **24/78 Community Items**

**a) Highways** – to report any issues

The Clerk was asked to chase up the extra 20mph signs that NCC were going to deliver.

**b) The Centre at Mawsley**, to include the following,

**1. To receive an update from Tcam**

John Holton provided the update below –

*May was a good month for the Centre although revenue was down on budget. Expenses were also below budget due to good control of salaries and wages. As a result the Centre made a profit for the month of £4,952 better than budget. The April figures have been revised and now show a loss of £782 instead of a profit of £111. Year to date the Centre is in profit but under budget.*

*Staffing levels are okay but are tight when there is a special event such as FunDay.*

*Family Fun days are proving very popular and are well attended. Hot-dogs sold out in 15 minutes!*

*Preparation for FunDay is now well advanced. The event starts at 13-00 to accommodate the dog show. Let's hope for good weather this year.*

*Work is ongoing to finalise quotes for the energy project before we can make an application for grant funding.*

*Three quotes have been obtained for the grass cutting and an appointment will be made shortly.*

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*At the Centre AGM there was discussion around extending the patio. The outside area is used extensively in warm weather and by those with dogs and those watching their children in the play area. Approval is now sort from the MPC to sanction the project.*

## 2. Proposal to extend the patio area at TCAM.

John Holton outlined the proposal to extend the patio at the back of TCAM, it would stil be within the boundary but would enable a few more people to sit outside in the sun. The cost of the extension is thought to be in the region of £7500, plus another £6500 to purchase new seating for the patio as the existing seating is becoming to old to use. It was **Resolved** that the parish council would fund the cost of the building works as this is for infrastructure imporvements on a building owned by the parish council. TCAM would then pay for the new seating. John Holton will provide an invoice for the Clerk once the work has been arranged.

John Holton also explained that he has received three quotes from gardeners to undertake the mowing that is needed around the TCAM building. This has been done for many years by Michael Bentley but he has recently retired. The Chairman explained that the parish council own several pieces of gardening equipment including two old mowers, a strimmer and a blow/vac. It was **Resolved** that these items would be donated to TCAM, there is little value left in these items and if they are not required it was agreed that TCAM could dispose of them.

### c) Memorial Garden

1. Clerk to report on new plaques needed for the wall, council to agree a new price for the plaques to allow for a change of supplier and materials increase.

The Clerk explained that she has had two enquiries for new plaques and two for plaques that were replaced due to the vandalism a few months ago. The Clerk will liaise with the gardener to get the new plaques put on.

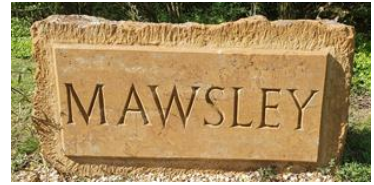
**d) Skate Ramp – Cllr Clode to update** *This section was amended from the draft version as per the resolution in the council meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.*

Cllr Clode reported that the new Skate Ramp working party had its inaugural meeting. It was agreed that the GoodHub fundraising platform would be used. Any money raised should be donated to the campaign via the GoodHub platform. A SkateMawsley Project campaign has been set up under the Mawsley village association GoodHub account. Fundraising activities undertaken to raise funds for the SkateMawsley campaign are done so with full responsibility upon the individual(s) carrying out the activity. This includes any assessment of risk and any application for legal requirements. The wording on the GoodHub and in the working party terms of reference will be amended to reflect this.

Cllr Clode has been working with Dave Lane at NNC and it has been agreed that a grant application to the FCC will be submitted once consultation with the village has taken place. Dave Lane is in support of the project. The Mawsley Villagers Association and the parish council would both like written confirmation from NNC that they will supprt the grant application. The parish council will be the principle applicants alongside North Northants Council as the landowners. NNC will be the signatories as they own the land, they will take responsibility for the monies and for delivering the project. Dave Lane is to seek written confirmation of support from NNC.

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There is another meeting of the working party this week.

## **e) Mawsley Fun Day – To confirm arrangements**

It was agreed that the parish council will have a gazebo at the fun day, four councillors offered to attend, unfortunately the Chairman is not able to bring along his farm vehicles this year.

### **24/79 Correspondence for information, action to be agreed**

- Residents emails received regarding the memorial walls – clerk to action
- Residents emails received regarding the ground maintenance of Old Gorse Road – Clerk to respond
- Northants Police Mature driver roadshow – July 27th, 9am.
- Open letter regarding the revised plans for Kettering Energy Park, requesting support from the parish council. Council to decide action. No action agreed.

**24/80 Next meeting July 15th 2024 No August meeting.**