

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GARAGES COMMITTEE OF MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL held in the VILLAGE HALL, MOULTON on WEDNESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2008 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. G. Fox (Chair)
A. Burgess, D. Hough and P. Vernon

In attendance: E. Beech - Clerk

01 Apologies for Absence

Resolved: that the apology for absence received from Cllr. Turner (working abroad) be accepted. Noted Cllr. Vernon was initially attending the Community Action Meeting as a member of MADSAG.

02 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Vernon – relative of garage lessee

03 Minutes

Resolved: that the minutes, including the confidential minutes, of the meeting held on 17th June 2008 be confirmed

04 Matters Arising

a) Visual Inspection (minute 05d refers)

Resolved: that Cllr. Burgess' notes from the visual inspection of the whole area undertaken by the Committee on 2nd July 2008, be received and the following be progressed:

- an improved plan of the area be copied and distributed to the Council
- contracts specify garage construction material, maximum dimensions and base quality
- each garage be numbered and the number displayed; the Council be recommended to purchase and distribute a suitable type numbering as rents are paid for 2009 (Cllr. Burgess to research costs)
- in the longer term, the two garages not in alignment at the Whitlow Lane end be dismantled when vacant so space is maximized; and
- the fencing at the rear of the garages needs replacing with a more substantial one

b) Resident's Concerns

Noted Vale Royal BC has taken up the concerns about the inappropriate use of the garages areas by its refuse collection contractors.

05 Contract

Considered aspects to be included in a revision of the contract, including requirements referred to above. Noted final draft to be submitted to the Council for agreement.

Resolved: that the Clerk prepare a first draft of a revised contract for the next meeting.

06 Specific Plot of Land

Considered the specific plots of land behind the garages.

Resolved: that in view of the confidential nature of this item it be considered at the end of the meeting and members of the public and the press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw for that item.

07 2009 Rents

Resolved: that

- a) rents be increased by as close to inflation as possible therefore 4% be recommended, resulting in a basic plot increasing from £45 to £47
- b) rents be collected at the Village Hall on Saturday 31st January 2009 from 10am to 12 noon

08 Next Meeting

Resolved: that the next meeting be held on 23rd October 2008 at 7.30pm, the agenda to include:

- agreeing a draft revised contract for recommendation to the Council
- review maintenance and upkeep costs of the area

There being no further business this part of the meeting closed at 8.30pm