DRAFT SUBJECT TO CONSIDERATION AT THE 2016 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MONDAY, 27TH. APRIL 2015, AT OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors J.M.Lander (in the Chair), J.Emmerson, Mrs. L.Keeling, Mrs. A.Kelsey; Edyta Batruck, Mr. M.Kelsey, Mr. A.Klapatyj, Mrs. S.Lander, Mr. G.Marshall, Mrs.J.Marshall, Mr. H.Mostafa, Mrs. R.Mostafa, Mr. M.Rayner, Mr. D.Robbins, Mr. A.Rogers, Mr. J.Russell, Mrs. N.Russell, Mrs. J.Solt, Mr. R.Solt, Mr. C.J.Sutton, Mrs. C.Sutton, Mr. R.Swinbourne, Carmel Timms, Mrs. N.Wall, Mr. D.Wigman; District Councillors J.Hammon and N.Pratt; and Mr. M.Enderby of Warwickshire County Council's Resilience Section.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: County and District Councillor.W.Grffiths, Mr. A.Entwistle, Mrs. A.Greenwood, Mr.N.Greenwood, Mrs. A. Tansey and Mr. M.Tansy.

1. MINUTES of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 28th. April 2014 were approved, and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Chairman gave a detailed report on the main matters to which the Parish Council had given attention in the previous year.

WARWICK DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

He set out the history of the Local Plan to date including the initial inclusion of development land within the Green Belt, which, after sustained pressure from local residents, lead by the Parish Council, had been omitted from the draft plan to be considered by an Inspector. The initial stages of the Public Inquiry were imminent and it was understood that the number of residences to be catered for was insufficient. There was concern that a Review of the Green Belt was being carried out, the initial conclusions of which were expected at the end of May 2015 and in the event of the Belt being reduced in the areas in questions, there was the chance that the land take could be re-introduced. The effects of the Coventry Gateway, presently dismissed, but likely to be reintroduced, could also be felt in the area. To safeguard future plans as far as possible an Old Milverton and Blackdown Neighbourhood Plan was being developed. The Plan contained areas for possible development of a Park and Ride arrangement to the east of the A452 Kenilworth Road, to which the Parish Council, had already objected and the outcome of which was awaited.

OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Old Milverton and Blackdown Neighbourhood Plan had been published, but subsequently, against the wishes of the Parish Council, the boundaries of Old Milverton Parish had been altered (by moving the area at the end of Guy's Cliffe Avenue and North Leamington School into Royal Leamington Spa) and therefore the Plan had to be represented, and a formal application had therefore been made to Warwick District Council. *TRAFFIC SPEEDS AROUND OLD MILVERTON*

As anticipated, traffic speed limits round Old Milverton had been reviewed limiting Old Milverton Lane to 50 mph (between the 40 mph at Blackdown Roundabout and 30 mph at Old Milverton village) and Old Milverton Road to 40 mph (between the 30 mph at Old Milverton village and 30 mph at Royal Learnington Spa). The Parish Council had pressed for the Old Milverton Road length to be 30 mph.

THANKS

He thanked all those who had assisted the Parish Council its efforts, including the Parish Councillors and the Clerk, together with the County and District Councillors.

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3. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Councillor Mrs. Kelsey reported on the local Neighbourhood Watch arrangements, the meetings of which she had regularly attended. Crime rates had fortunately been low. The policing areas were likely to be amended.

4. FLIGHT PATH PROTECTION TEAM

Councillor Mrs. Kelsey reported that local residents were encouraged to join the Flight Path Protection Team, to be vigilant about any local activities which might pose a threat to aircraft in flight.

5. OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE TIDY DAY

Councillor Mrs. Kelsey announced that an Old Milverton Village Tidy Day and Afternoon Tea would be held on Sunday, 31st. May 2015, at which local residents were encouraged to assist. She also drew attention to a St. James Church Open Day on Saturday, 2nd. May 2015.

The meeting ended at 9.00 p.m.

The formal part of the meeting then terminated

PRESENTATION ON RESILILIENCE

Following the meeting Mr. Michael Enderby, Warwickshire County Council's Head of Resilience (who also acts for Coventry and Solihull) gave a talk on the need to be preprepared for emergencies, both in the area and at home. His suggestions gave many of those present "food for thought", as, for example the need to prepare a "grab bag" in case it were necessary to vacate the home in an emergency and for members of a family to agree on a meeting place in the event of their not being able to reach their home in case of an emergency. He also set out the advice available to to Parish Councils and his liaison with them. Advice could be obtained from the website, "CSWprepared.org.uk", of which many took note.

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were then served, for which grateful thanks were expressed to Mrs. Nicola Wall, and a presentation was made to her.

Chairman