

NOTES ON THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MOGGERHANGER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 21ST MAY 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Fifteen members of the public were present in addition to the council members , Central Beds Councillor Mrs Turner and the Clerk.

Councillor Paul Petrie was elected as Chairman with Councillor Chris.Bashford as Vice Chairman. Councillor Peter Dean will continue as the Highways liaison councilor . Councillors Bashford, Dean and Petrie agreed to form a Playing field Group.

Residents questions brought forward a number of highway problems which had been passed onto Central Beds Highways for their attention.

The council agreed to update 7 street lights which were in need of refurbishment, the work will be carried out by Mr Muskett who is the councils lighting maintenance contractor. At the Ivel Forum Central Beds gave details of the Safety Speed Cameras that they were financing with Parish Councils being asked to contribute funds for theme to participate in the proposed scheme. Control of the speed on the A603 was a Parish Council high priority.

Planning applications had been received for the land to rear of 26/28 Blunham Road for a dwelling following demolition of a hut. Erection of car port &replacement of rear conservatory with a new kitchen at 21 Park Close. A single storey rear extension and a rear detached single garage at 23 Park Close and a front extension for Rubython House St Johns Road.

Central Beds Councillor Mrs Turner the Planning proposals for development had been out for consultation and were now being passed to the Government Inspector. The numbers of houses required had been increased and it was now 31,000, how the development should take place in village and Town Planned sites is under consultation. The Tidy Tip at Biggleswade is to be upgraded, also the Saxon Pool. At the meeting of the Ivel Forum speed cameras were discussed and items brought up by the members of the attending councils.

Mr Dean gave a report on the village playing field which included a request for the council to agree a contractor to carry out the grasscutting and weed spraying. This

was agreed . A buyer for the mower would be sought. Next season it is hoped a second football team will be playing at Moggerhanger.

The clerk gave short report on the Central Beds Town and Parish Council Conference when details were given about the Health Services would be provided in Bedfordshire. A talk was given on the care of Burial Grounds and Cemeteries, and advice of having a Defibrillator in the village.

The Clerk also attended a meeting held by the North East Beds MP Alistair Burt where a discussion took place on the retention of local Post offices, and individual questions from those present including the additional costs Parish Councils had to assimilate as all communication by Central Beds Council and other bodies was now electronic.

The normal invoices were agreed and the quotes for the grasscutting and street light maintenance were accepted.

The meeting closed , the next meeting will be held on 16th July 2014 at 7.30pm

The new plans for the development at the rear of The Guinea are due to be received. A Notice of a Public Meeting will be put up on the Notice Boards in the near future.