

Meeting held at Clare Lodge on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at 6pm

The minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed with only the noise from the fitness suite at weekends an on going problem. Mr Nerini will look into this again.

The refurbishment - contractors have not been able to stick to schedule (snow did cause some problems) but the new build should be handed over by the end of March 2010. The refurbishment of the older building is again running late and hopefully will be finished by May/June 2010. There is to be an inspection of progress by the DCFS (Dept. for Children, Schools and Families towards the end of Feb/March 2010.

Mr Holdich queried the road number on the planning application for the new road/driveway into Clare Lodge and was told by Mr Nerini that it was correct on the drawing.

Driveway into Clare Lodge – There has been a slight difference of opinion between the planners and highways authority about the width of the roadway. This has now been resolved with an additional metre being added. This problem led to the withdrawal of the original plan and the resubmission of the revised one, which will go before the Parish Council on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February. Planning has not yet been gained for this and although tenders have gone out the contract cannot be awarded until it is.

If everything happens on time the contractors will start at the beginning of March and should be finished within the month. April will be used for the road to set and then gates will be put in place at the Welmore Road entrance. This will then become a pedestrian entrance only, except in dire emergencies. All vehicles will be expected to use the new entrance.

Any cars parking in Welmore Road or Ashburn Close – if reported - drivers will be asked to move their cars.

Can noise suppressant road surfacing be put in place to cut back on road noise as discussed at the last meeting?

The question was asked about signage for the Clare Lodge entrance off Lincoln Road. Mr Nerini thinks there will be no problem as staff and visitors will know. For those with sat nav the post code will probably change. Possible no parking in entrance and private road notices could be used.

Clare Lodge is at present running full and staffing levels of around 90 on track. Maureen O'Connell, Operations Manager retires on the 19<sup>th</sup> March and will be missed but not immediately re-placed as “some re alignment is needed and staffing levels looked at”. 70% of Clare Lodge's finance is at present spent on staffing.

There being no other issues the meeting closed.

The date of next meeting to be May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Cllr J Quinn