

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 4th of July 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman
Cllr Mr C Sanger – Vice Chairman
Cllr C Anstis
Cllr S MacDonald – Parish and Borough Councillor.
Cllr Mr I Cleife
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 7

Apologies: Cllr Mr M Goodman, County Councillor Mr D Drew and Borough Councillors
Mrs M Flood and Mrs S Hasselmann.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.

The Parish Council still has two vacancies, one in Over Wallop and one in Palestine. Cllr Anstis will be standing down in September. The Chairman asked the Parish for volunteers to serve their community by volunteering to run the Parishes Hall and/or to come on the Parish Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mr I Cleife declared an interest in Planning Application 24/01459/FULLN.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW.

County Councillor Mr D Drew had not yet sent his report. The Chairman will put it on the Hub once received.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR S MACDONALD.

Borough Councillor Mr S MacDonald would send Mid Test Valley Matters to the Chairman to put on the Hub.

Borough Councillor Mr S Macdonald reported that he is looking into the unauthorised structure which has been erected in one of the fields adjacent to Pinchbecks.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

An amendment was made under Members of the Public – Mr Fox requested a detailed breakdown of the costs Hampshire County Council spent on the Traffic Calming so that the Parish could see where the money was spent.

The Chairman then signed the minutes of the June meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr M Cleife and seconded by Cllr C Sanger.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

- A new swing seat has been ordered to replace a damaged one on the AEMG. Pigeon spikes will be attached to the top of the swing.
- Work on two outstanding trees on the AEMG is due to be done the following week, with a further two by the end of the year. 30+ Saplings have been planted on the AEMG and we will continue to plant. The 18-month survey is due in the autumn.
- Shane Ling is to be the new Lengthsman for Over Wallop. Shane Ling charges a lower rate than the current Lengthsman and has all the necessary insurance required by Hampshire County Council.
- The Chairman has chased the Community Payback Team again with no luck, to help with the Parish footpath cutting.

- The Parish Council is consulting with Nether Wallop to see if certain jobs can be combined to make them more cost effective.
- Cllr I Cleife is investigating a complaint from a resident in Evans Close regarding overhanging trees and a moving a rubbish bin.

FINANCE.

Financial Report July 2024

INCOME.

Bank Interest	£335.33
CIL Grant	£20,928.71
VAT Refund	£8,600.15
Vintage Gathering	£1,000.00
Total =	<u>£30,864.19</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Standing Orders:		£
R.N. Waterman	Wages	560.00
Came and Company	Insurance	335.69
TVBC	Grass Cutting	180.68
SBPC	Storage	10.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Website	14.00
VIXIT	Grounds Maintenance	198.00
	Total =	<u>£1,298.37</u>

Cheques Issued:		£
Mr C Wilkins – Village Maintenance		284.00
R.N. Waterman – Printer Cartridges		37.50
	Total =	<u>£321.50</u>

PAVILION PROJECT.

CFW	Architects Fees	1,800.00
Millway Builders		50,228.89
	Total =	<u>£52,028.89</u>

Total Expenditure = **£53,648.76**

Bank Account Balances

After above movements	
Current Account	= £ 15,069.82
Premier Interest	= £ 193,549.85
Allotments	= £ 976.46
	<u>£209,596.13</u>

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance = £16,936.74

Reserves:

General Reserves	= £ 12,710.29
Street light Replacement Fund	= £ 1,000.00
Over Wallop Community Fund	= £ 1,496.00
Parish Hall	= £ 500.00
Palestine – Play Area GPC	= £ 5,000.00
	<u>=£ 20,706.29</u>

Pavilion Project = £170,976.64

TOTAL FUNDS HELD	= £208,619.67
Allotments	= £ 976.46
	= <u>£209,596.13</u>

Proposed by Cllr C Sanger and seconded by Cllr I Cleife.

PLANNING.

The Parish Council policy to make no comment on tree applications applied to the following except to request that three new trees are planted for each one felled in line with the Over Wallop Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan:

24/01410/TPON – London Plane – Lift lower canopy to approx. 3m all round, target prune to gain approx. 2m clearance from property, remove dead and smaller branches under 50mm on main stem – Appleton Close, Over Wallop. NO COMMENT.

24/013468/CLPN – Application for lawful development certificate for proposed single storey rear extension, window alterations, and porch – Braemar, Station Road, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

24/01459/FULLN – Erection of dwelling on land to the side of Nor Bar, Pound Road, Over Wallop.

Cllr I Cleife declared an interest and took no part in the discussion. The Parish Council discussed this application. They would like more information relating to the following OWPNDP policies before making comment:

ICP3 (increase of vehicle movements)

ICP4 (impact on local residents, contribution to infrastructure, light study only on Nor Bar and not on Lavender View which is closer to the proposed dwelling)

ICP5 (sewage plan)

DDP1/2a (domination of neighbouring buildings)

DDP2a (information on carbon net zero or positive contribution. Air/ground source heat pumps, solar panels etc?)

ELP9 (requirement for 10% net biodiversity gain. Report specifies 81% net loss)

DDP1 (how this 4 bed dwelling meets specific housing needs of the Parish, in particular 2-3 bed dwellings)

PAVILION PROJECT.

The Chairman gave an up-date on the Pavilion Project:

- Two further grant applications are in process. Test Valley Borough Council has been in contact and have suggested that one of the grant applications withdrawn until later in the year. This would leave the project short of funding for the fit out and extension to the car park. There is enough money to finish the building.
- The Chairman asked for ideas for an opening ceremony to be held in October 2024. The Parish will be invited to attend.

PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

CLLR MR C ANSTIS – Reported that the Parish Hall have had a few issues with overnight parking in the car park. This is being investigated.

It was noted that a complaint has been received from residents about the Godolphin School Bus drop off blocking the road when exiting Station Road onto the Andover/Salisbury Road.

The Godolphin School Bus picks up from the Parish Hall car park. It would make sense for the drop off to also be in the Parish Hall car park. A letter will be sent to the Bursar at the Godolphin School offering this facility.

CLLR MR S MACDONALD – Reported that he has secured 75% of the funding for the refurbishment of the telephone box. A Palestine Parishioner has kindly indicated that he may be able to help with the shortfall in funding. The Chairman reported that Cllr Mr D

Drew had offered earlier in the year to give a grant towards the refurbishment of the telephone box – a grant application form will be submitted by the Chairman.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that there have been several offers of help to put together a new website. Mr John Francis who did a lot of work on the NDP Website has offered to design the new website for free.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he has met with officers from HCC regarding the 20MPH speed limit. At the moment the speed along Station Road is too fast to reduce the speed limit to 20MPH. The speed on Salisbury Lane does however comply which is good news. The officers are working on a proposal for Station Road.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald spoke about the Over Wallop Resilience Plan and reported that SSE are giving grants for Solar Batteries – the date for the opening of applications has not yet been released by SSE.

CLLR MR I CLEIFE – Reported that Sports Working Group have put together a provisional proposal for the Hire Charges of the Pavilion and Field. This will be circulated to the Parish Councillors for their comment. Further work is needed before the final draft is presented to the Parish Council.

Cllr Mr I Cleife spoke about the grass cutting on the AEMG. The costs for grass cutting are escalating. Mr I Cleife has spoken to Mat Casson at Test Valley Borough Council and Mark Lovell. Cllr Mr I Cleife reported that the Sports Working Group are investigating the best way forward to ensure that the grass is cut at a reasonable cost and at a frequency to satisfy all users of the AEMG. Communication between the Parish Council and Cricket Team will be improved.

Mr Fox from the Cricket Team reported that Test Valley Borough Council is not cutting low enough resulting in additional cuts needed by Mark Lovell before a cricket match.

Cllr Mr I Cleife reported that he has had a request to hire the Pavilion from a Parishioner for September. This was noted.

CLLR MR S SANGER – Reported that the firm investigating the Parish Council's VAT have now confirmed that all the VAT on the Pavilion Build can be recovered. The on-going VAT recovery for the Pavilion will depend on it being hired for sports and recreation.

Cllr Mr S Sanger reported that the Over Wallop Neighbourhood Watch had a very successful meeting with the Andover Area NHW coordinator. Points covered at that meeting included: Best Practice, Crime Statistics, Reporting Crimes and improving signage. There have been a number of rural thefts and burglaries over recent months.

Cllr Mr C Sanger stated that volunteers wishing to join the increasing numbers on the Over Wallop NHW are most welcome.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr Fox asked if there was any news on the Freedom of Information request on the money spent on the Traffic Calming Scheme?

Cllr Mr S MacDonald stated that he had not received anything new and reported that Hampshire County Council have until the 9th of August to reply.

Mr Fox reported that he had contacted TVBC regarding the 106 Developer Money not paid to TVBC and that could be used for Play Equipment and had not received a reply.

The agent for the Planning Application for the proposed dwelling on land at the side of Nor Bar thanked the Parish Council for the information discussed earlier in the meeting and he would try to answer all points covered re the Over Wallop NDP.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

5th of September 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:

www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk