

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 5th March 2020, in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman
Cllr J Taylor Firth – Vice Chairman
Cllr T Burden
Cllr C Smith
Cllr V Barnard
Cllr D Boardman
Cllr M Glover
Cllr I Cleife
Borough Councillor Mr I Jeffery
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 7

Apologies: County Councillor Mr A Gibson.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr D Boardman declared an interest in Planning Application 20/00352TREEN.
Cllr J Taylor Firth declared an interest in Planning Application 20/00435/FULLN.

BOROUGH COUNCILOR MR I JEFFREY

Cllr Mr I Jeffery reported that TVBC are working on two major issues:

- Preparing a strategy on dealing with the Coronavirus.
- Preparing a Climate Emergency Strategy – all areas are being looked at: Transport, Buildings, Rubbish Collection, the Council's fleet of vehicles etc.

Cllr M Glover asked Cllr I Jeffery what TVBC are doing to look at future planning and learning from the past. Trees also need to be planted in large numbers to offset the carbon footprint. Cllr Mr I Jeffery noted these comments.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairman signed the January Minutes as a true record. Proposed by Cllr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr I Cleife.

WAR MEMORIAL.

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth reported that the Architect is busy with the pre-conditions. There have been two meetings with the contractor and it is hoped that the contract will be signed within the next few weeks. Once the stone is with the stone mason it will be in their workshop for at least 6 weeks before coming on site. It is hoped that work will start at the end of April.

The Chairman reported that the re-dedication of the War Memorial will take place on Sunday 6th September 2020 followed by a village party. £790 more has been raised. The Chairman proposed that the Parish Council fund a Hog Roast with a vegetarian option for the village party. The Parish Council all agreed.

Everyone in the village will be invited. The party will be held on the Glebe Field.

RESILIENCE PLAN.

Cllr I Cleife reported that he has not yet met up with Shipton Bellinger to look at their Resilience Plan due to their coordinator being away but hope to meet up soon.

FINANCE.

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN MARCH 2020

R.N. Waterman	Wages – March	465.00
Came and Company	Insurance	190.20
HCC	Supplies	97.12
Quarley PC	2 x Defibrillator Batteries	320.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	14.75
Radley House Partnership	War Memorial	848.49
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>£1,935.56</u>

INCOME.

Parish Hall for Supplies = £80.93

VAT Refund = £10,032.64

Bank Account Balances

After above movements

Current Account = £13,714.54

Premier Interest = £10,041.91

Allotments = £ 687.04

£24,443.49

PLANNING.

20/00537/TREEN – Tree Works as per submitted schedule – Land Alongside Wallop Brook (between The Old Rectory and Salisbury Lane), Station Road – NO COMMENT.

20/00352/TREEN – 2 Willow – Crown reduction by 2m and lateral spread reduction by 2m and 3m – Yew Tree Cottage, Station Road. SUPPORT.
Cllr D Boardman made no comment.

20/00435/FULLN – Occupational Accommodation consisting of two flats at first floor of Barn House for Rural Workers (Equestrian) in the Countryside (retrospective). Castle Farm, Wallop Road, Grateley – NO COMMENT
Cllr J Taylor Firth made no comment.

20/00302/FULLN – Demolition of existing single storey rear extension, erection of single storey rear extension to provide dining room, utility, 2 bedrooms and shower room, featuring photo-voltaic panels and 4 roof windows, and a new roof to existing bay window – Whittington, Danebury Road, Kentsboro. – SUPPORT.

ADMINISTRATION – Cllr V Barnard

The Parish Council adopted the Financial Standing Orders. Proposed by Cllr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr M Glover. The Financial Standing Orders will now be added to the website.

The Chairman thanked Cllr V Barnard for all the work she has done on the Parish Council administration.

PARISH HALL – Cllr J Taylor Firth.

Cllr J Taylor Firth stated that the Parish Hall is running well. One regular slot has been lost but weekend bookings are up.

LEISURE – Cllr D Boardman.

A tree planting scheme is being put together. The TVBC Tree Officer has been contacted for advice on what trees are suitable for planting.

TREES – Lee the tree surgeon has produced a report on the state of the trees and has identified that further work is needed. The report will be sent to SW Tree Consultants for comment.

Cllr M Glover stated that he had seen two villagers on the Alan Evans Memorial Ground using a chainsaw which had not been authorised and could have had serious implications regarding the Parish Council Insurance cover. This was discussed at length and it was suggested that a Notice be displayed re unauthorised use of chainsaws.

The Clerk was asked to get a copy of the Parish Council's insurance policy to Cllr D Boardman and to copy in all councillors.

PAVILION – Now that it has been confirmed that the main water pipe is closer to the pavilion than first thought it has been decided to start again with the plans for refurbishment of the pavilion.

Reinstating the showers and hot water system will be looked at to try and improve the facilities until the refurbishment can be undertaken. Cllr D Boardman will get 5 quotes for the specification.

Cllr T Burden suggested that the TVBC Planners are consulted to find out what they would allow on the site before architects are contacted. Cllr D Boardman and the Chairman will go and see the planners.

CRICKET PRACTICE NETS – Cllr D Boardman spoke about work needed to improve the mat for the Practice Cricket Nets. It was thought that a more substantial underlay will be needed. Cllr D Boardman will investigate and report back to the Parish Council.

PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS.

CLLR MR T BURDEN – Reported that most of the ditches in old Stockbridge Road are blocked and cause the road to flood, these ditches need clearing. The Clerk was asked to report this to Highways.

CLLR MR M GLOVER – Reported that the Allotment Holders have requested a skip for their annual clean-up. CB Skips can provide a 6 Yard skip for mixed waste at a cost of £300. The Clerk was asked to organise this.

CLLR MR D BOARDMAN – Reported that the Shop are planning to submit a £3,500 grant application to Hampshire County Council to upgrade their computer system. This will enable better stock control and analysis of sales etc. The grant is a 50/50 allocation and will need a letter from the Parish Council to support the application. This was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council will support the application. Cllr D Boardman will draft a letter for the Chairman to sign.

CLLR MRS K DIXON – Reported that she had no news to report on the traffic calming but that she continues to push for progress and a resolution to the issues which are delaying the trial.

A meeting with TVBC to discuss the Neighbourhood Development Plan is taking place on Thursday 12 March. The Chairman suggested that the Neighbourhood Development Plan is put to the village at the Parish Council Annual Assembly after the AGM in May.

Cllr Mr I Cleife offered to organise a leaflet drop to the village advertising the Parish Assembly.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

It was suggested that Southern Water be contacted for them to confirm the exact position of the water pipe and whether there is any reasonable scope for repositioning it, before the current plans for refurbishment are discarded.

This was noted.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATES OF THE NEXT MEETING. 2nd April 2020.