

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 16th April 2018 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

Cllr Mr J Taylor-Firth - Chairman

Cllr M Glover – Vice-Chairman

Cllr Mr T Burden

Cllr Mr B Elliott

Cllr Mrs T Forrest

Cllr Mrs L Raynes

Members of the Public - 7

Apologies: Mr R Waterman, Borough Cllr Mr T Hope and County Cllr Mr A Gibson.

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Cllr Raynes for taking the minutes in the place of the Clerk.

2. Parish Council Vacancy

The Chairman reported that Cllr Mr C Roberts had resigned and that there were now two vacancies. He read out Cllr Robert's resignation statement and recorded his thanks for his work as a councillor.

3. Declarations of interest

Cllr Burden declared an interest in planning application 18/00798/CLPN Field View, Peach Grove, Palestine. He did not comment or vote on the item.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

An amendment to the leisure section stating that 'the cricket team can have either a side screen or shower; not both' had been omitted in error. The chairman undertook to provide amended minutes for signature at the next meeting. **Action: Chairman.**

5. Matters Arising from those Minutes

TRAFFIC CALMING – Representatives from Hampshire County Council had briefed councillors and parishioners on the scheme just before the meeting and it was agreed that further discussion was not required. It was expected that HCC and the county cllr would provide future updates.

RIVERBANK – It was agreed there would be a working party to clear the riverbank and paint the railings. Cllr Elliott agreed to lead the working party and undertook to provide an outline plan at the next meeting. A provisional start date of June was set. **Action: Cllr Elliott.**

LENGTHSMAN – The Chairman reported that the lengthsman had used up most of his previous quota removing the ivy from trees. He undertook to discuss the plan for his work this year with the clerk. **Action: Chairman.**

TREES – The Chairman stated that the first phase of tree work had been completed and the remaining logs would be removed once the ground has dried. The invoice will be paid once the logs have gone. Cllr Elliott reported a leaning Ivy-covered tree in the Evans Close playground and the chairman agreed to add this to the list of future work. **Action: Chairman**

6. Finance – Report supplied by Clerk

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN March AND APRIL 2018

R.N. Waterman	Wages – March	465.00
Aviva	Insurance	192.45
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	27.80
Wallop Parish Hall	Hire of Hall for Meetings	78.00
Slingsby	Allotment Notice Board	191.00
Mr B Pearce	Fitting Notice Board	100.00
Business Stream	Pavilion Water Rates	44.05
SSE Contracting	Street Lighting Maintenance	282.73
Total Payments		<u>£1,381.03</u>

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above payments have been deducted

Current Account	£ 12,727.12
Premier Interest	£ 10,041.91
Sports Account	£ 1,532.50
Allotments	£ 709.00
	<u>£25,010.53</u>

Note

Allotment fees have been received and I will up date the finances for the May Meeting. SEC have confirmed that our Maintenance Charge will be reduced by £270.98 as a result of the new street lights we have commissioned. This will reduce further as we install new street lights.

Cheque payments proposed by Cllr Burden and seconded by Cllr Elliott.

7. Planning

18/00697/FULLN - Single storey rear extension to provide family room - 30 Fine Acres Rise, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

18/00798/CLPN - Certificate of proposed lawful development – Conservatory - Field View, Peach Grove, Palestine – SUPPORT.

18/00742/FULLN - Erection of a detached garage for the storage of a mobile home and other domestic paraphernalia (Retrospective) - Larch Gables, Old Stockbridge Road, Middle Wallop – NO OBJECTION.

17/03161/FULLN – Amended Application - Construction of 5no. dwellings and associated garaging - Land Adjacent to Suddern Farm, Salisbury Lane, Over Wallop – OBJECTION (Previous objection to stand).

8. Leisure

PAVILION – Cllr Forrest stated that a survey was planned to investigate options for a shower. The cricket team will supply the sight screen themselves. The pavilion is being cleaned this week and the cricket pitch needs to be cleared around the edges.

GRASS CUTTING – Cllr Forrest had signed and returned the contract and the cricket team will contact the contractor when required. She confirmed that Mark Lovell has provided evidence of public liability insurance.

PAPERWORK - The safeguarding courses for the cricket team had been booked and a risk assessment sent to Cllr Forrest.

She also reported that their insurance does not cover property risk, only loss. Our underwriter had advised that their policy should be altered to cover this risk and she had informed the team of this.

FLOODLIGHTS – It was agreed they that they were no longer needed and they should possibly be sold. Cllr Forrest agreed to discuss this with the clerk. **Action: Cllr Forrest.**

DOG FOULING – Cllr Raynes advised that dog mess continued to be left on the Alan Evans Memorial Ground, especially near the play area. Cllr Elliott noted that dogs are also let into the Evans Close park when there are signs stating this was not allowed. Councillors agreed this was unacceptable and that dog owners should be reminded of their legal responsibility to clear up after their dogs under the borough wide Dog Control Order. It was agreed that notices about this should be placed in the Parish News and on notice boards. Cllr Raynes also undertook to investigate the process to implement a by-law to ban dogs from the play areas. **Action: Cllr Raynes and Clerk.**

9. Allotments

The draft working group meeting minutes were shared with the council. Many tenants had already signed the agreement and paid. A further leaflet drop is planned and future marketing will be discussed. The site is being cleared of hazards but there may be some asbestos. Fly tipping and burning is still taking place but on a smaller scale. Cllr Forrest stated that the noticeboard had been installed but needed some adjustment. **Action: Cllr Forrest.**

Cllr Forrest reminded the Council to pay the Natural Bee Keepers for removal of the beehives that had been a health and safety risk. She also stated that the owner had reported them stolen but had been given adequate notice to remove them. The beehives can be returned to the owner, but the bees will not be returned as their care has been deemed to be inadequate. **Action: Clerk.**

The drive was ready to be resurfaced and Cllr Forrest estimated that this could cost around £3K. The council noted this and the Chairman thanked Mrs Forrest for her work and undertook to discuss the options for funding this with the clerk. **Action: Chairman and Clerk.**

10. Parish Councillors' reports

CLLR ELLIOTT: The street light in Pound Road has still not been replaced (reference: 28AC107, 61-63 Pound Road). Some road repairs have been done on Pound Road.

CLLR BURDEN: Advised that the pothole by Cholderton Road (before Roman Road) into Palestine still had to be repaired. It has been reported several times. **Action: Clerk.**

CLLR GLOVER: Reported a large pothole in Horshells Drove. **Action: Clerk.**

CLLR TAYLOR FIRTH - WAR MEMORIAL: The architect's report concerning the conservation repairs to the pillars and the paving had been circulated to councillors. He considered it a good report that supported the village WW1 remembrance project. He also reported that fundraising for the project had started and that some public consultation had taken place. Mr Cartwright explained that liaison was needed with HCC about drainage around the pavement and that ownership of the land around the memorial needed clarification. He also reported further recent damage to the pillars.

Councillors discussed the memorial, its setting and the future cost to the council of maintaining the structure. It was noted that the shaft supporting the cross was quite weathered and that traffic damage might continue. It was agreed that the architect

should be asked to visit and give his views to councillors on the whole memorial at a site meeting in the near future.

Cllr Taylor Firth undertook to arrange the meeting, to talk to HCC about traffic calming and drainage and to research the land ownership. He thanked Mr Cartwright for his recent work. **Action: Chairman.**

CLLR RAYNES – WEBSITE: Cllr Raynes stated that the current website needed some substantial updating, including adding new pages. She had created a Wordpress site that is simple to use and individuals can have accounts so they can contribute. The cost per year would be £240. She had sent councillors a link to the proposed new site and had asked them to visit it before the May meeting. She would ask for a quote for similar work on the present site and suggested that a decision could be made at the May meeting on whether to continue with the current website. **Action: All Cllrs.**

11. County and Borough Councillors' Reports

None.

12. Members of the public

MR PETER BYE – Stated that he was disappointed in the standard of the recent HCC presentation. The Chairman agreed to pass the comments on. **Action: Chairman.**

MR BRIAN FORREST – Asked for clarification on when the meeting with HCC had been arranged as the public had been told there would be no further consultation meetings. Cllr Taylor-Firth stated that he had been invited to attend a meeting on 20st March with HCC and it was then agreed that HCC should hold a joint liaison meeting as there was interest from several parishes. The meeting was not a public consultation meeting.

A member of the public from Kentsboro expressed an interest in joining the parish council. The chairman advised her of the process.

13. Close of the meeting

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

14. Date for next meeting

15 May (To be confirmed.)