

# **Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth – Acting Chairman  
Cllr Mr T Burden – Palestine  
Cllr Mrs T Forrest  
Cllr Mr G Gates  
Cllr Mr C Roberts  
Cllr Mr B Elliott  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
Borough Councillor Mr T Hope  
Members of the Public – 7

Apologies: Cllr Mr M Glover and County Councillor Mr A Gibson.

## **WELCOME.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY**

The Parish Council still have one vacancy.

## **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

## **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN.**

CHAIRMAN – Cllr Burden proposed Cllr Taylor-Firth as Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr Roberts. There were no other nominations. All agreed. Cllr Taylor Firth was elected Chairman.

VICE CHAIRMAN – Cllr Taylor Firth nominated Cllr Glover as Vice Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr Forrest. There were no other nominations. All agreed. Cllr Glover was elected Vice Chairman in his absence.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

I would like to thank the parish councillors, the parish clerk and members of the public for their support throughout the year. I would also like to record my thanks to Lindsay Murray-Twinn and Guy Cairns. who both left the council last summer, for all their work over the years. In addition, welcome to Tricia Forrest on joining the council.

The major event that has taken place during the last year had been the development of the Landings site which included the construction of 35 houses of mixed sizes; some of which are private houses and some of which are affordable houses. 26 houses have been occupied so far and the development should be completed by the end of June. The occupants report that they are very pleased with their houses and the builders have carried out their work well with minimal disruption to the lives of residents. As part of the legal agreement to develop the site the contractors had to pay TVBC 229K for the improvement of local infrastructure. This included money for traffic calming measures, the redevelopment of the Evans Close play area and the provision of a new pavilion on the sports field. This money has allowed some of these projects to move forward during the year.

The traffic calming project aims to reduce the volume of through traffic using roads in the village and to reduce the speed of traffic in the village. HCC Highways have developed a scheme that involves a change of priority at the junction of the Old Stockbridge Road (B3084) and Wallop Road near Grateley station, traffic calming measures in Station Road and the closure of Salisbury Lane to through traffic. Public consultation about the scheme took place in July and August 2016 which included an on-line response phase.

This demonstrated that a clear majority of residents supported the three elements of the scheme and the HCC planning team are now working on the detailed plans with a view to implementation in next 18 months. During this there will be some further consultation over elements of the plan with residents that will be affected directly. The whole process has been tortuous however the alternative is to do nothing and accept yet more and faster traffic.

Work started on 11<sup>th</sup> May on the redevelopment of the Evans Close play area and by the end of the month 6 new pieces of equipment should be available for public use.

The sports field and the MUGA are being maintained in a good state and are reasonably well used by two football teams, the Over Wallop cricket team and young footballers. In addition, the field is used by families for walking, informal minor sports and dog walking. Sadly, out of the 60 or more adult sportsmen and women in the team's only about 10 are from either Over or Nether Wallop with the rest being visitors. It seems that almost nobody from the village has the time to coach, play for or administer teams and this means that local youth teams and village teams are fading away. Volunteers are needed.

The pavilion is in a somewhat sad state and should ideally be rebuilt. TVBC now holds some development money towards the cost of a rebuild and we probably need to raise more money to achieve this. All teams use the pavilion to store kit and the footballers use it for changing /showers for 20 mins before and after matches. The cricket team only uses the pavilion fully for their home games which take place about 5 or 6 times each summer. Do we need a lavish pavilion or a simple refurbishment? As a parish, we now need to decide what we want and Mrs Forrest is running a working group to develop ideas.

The Wallops Parish Hall is busy and covers its costs. During the year the car park drainage problem has been resolved. The management committee has recently applied to build a small lean-to storeroom next to the large hall to ease use of that hall and to allow a greater variety of equipment to be stored which in turn may attract more users.

During the year a kind donor had provided a magnificent new notice board that has been installed near the war memorial and the parish council website has opened. It has been a busy year and, as before, the parish council exists to represent and help the community as best it can. It should however be noted that its responsibilities and resources are limited.

## END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2017.

2015/2016 £	RECEIPTS	2016/2017 £
23,150.00	Precept	32,000.00
4.88	Bank Interest	5.13
1,728.00	Donations /Fund Raising - Grants	3,848.00
800.00	Grants Parish Hall insurance	800.00
1,241.50	Sports Field Lettings	725.50
2,732.43	VAT Refund	1,917.02
659.13	Refunds	292.64
<u>30,315.94</u>		<u>39,588.29</u>

## PAYMENTS

1,552.08	Administration and Web Site	2,038.02
5,076.00	Staffing Costs	5,580.00
790.00	Audit Charges	850.00
36.00	Subscriptions	51.00
2,166.29	Insurance	2,198.28
287.73	Village Hall	217.64
407.73	Flashing Speed Signs	425.00
2,024.42	Street Lighting	2,142.07
	Notice Boards	683.00
	Bus Shelter	2,406.04
2,400.00	Evans Close and Play Area	2,433.00
	Bench	287.10
2,949.37	Pavilion (football £476.82)	958.20
2,729.98	Sports Field/Village Grass Cutting	2,705.57
350.00	Section 137 Payments	530.00
200.00	War Memorial	200.00
1,381.75	Defibrillators	
1,424.49	Village maintenance/Footpaths	3,223.82
1,535.31	VAT on Payments	1,723.06
394.92	Dog Bins	275.55
	Glebe Field - 2 Years	1,740.00
<u>25,705.84</u>		<u>30,667.35</u>

£		£
7,618.14	Opening Balance 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016	12,384.04
30,315.94	Plus Income	39,588.29
155.80	Cheque written back in not presented	125.00
<u>38,089.88</u>		<u>52,097.33</u>
25,705.84	Less Expenditure	30,667.35
<u>12,384.04</u>		<u>21,429.98</u>

### Bank Reconciliation 31/3/2017

Bank Account No 0262724 (Treasurer)	13,010.29
Bank Account No 6173812 (Premier)	10,042.30
	<u>23,052.59</u>

### Less Cheques not presented 31/3/2017

No 907	41.26
No 922	55.00
No 923	55.00
No 924	1,386.00
No 918	86.25

£21,429.08

## MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Burden and seconded by Cllr Forrest.

## URGENT ITEMS

HIGHWAYS – The Chairman reported that he is still pushing TVBC to pay the 106 monies to Hampshire Highways so the next stage of design can commence on the Traffic Calming.

PLAY AREA - The Chairman reported that work has started on the new play park in Evans Close.

STREET LIGHTS – The work to replace the first of the Street Lights on Station Road is due to start soon.

SALISBURY LANE – The area of ground adjacent to the river has been cut back. The Chairman has spoken to the adjacent landowner and they intend to cut back the remaining area, this will certainly improve the appearance of the area.

PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE – Cllr T Forrest stated that at some stage she would like the Parish Council to review their insurance policy to make sure they are compliant

## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Income Tax Refund Scams are doing the rounds.

## FINANCE

### CHEQUES and PAYMENTS ISSUED IN MAY 2017

R.N. Waterman	Wages – May	465.00
Aviva	Insurance	183.19
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	17.90
Southern Electric	Pavilion	54.12
S Tilling	Pavilion Doors	60.00
TVBC	Planning Application PH	97.00
Parish Hall	Under 5's	60.00
Sovereign Play Grounds	Stage Payment 1	12,151.93
DJ Harris	Pavilion Inspection	85.00
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>£13,174.14</b>

### BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above payments have been deducted

Current Account	£ 43,453.07
Premier Interest	£ 10,041.91
Sports Account	£ 3,236.50
	<b><u>£56,731.48</u></b>

## PLANNING.

17/01127/TREEN – Fell 1 Hawthorn – Pepys Cottage, King Lane – NO OBJECTION

17/01074/FULLN – Erection of 2 no. detached dwellings together with the extension of the existing driveway and associated hard and soft landscaping – Land to the rear of Coachworks Cottage, Station Road, Over Wallop. The Parish Council discussed this application at length and voted to OBJECT – 5 Object to 1 Support (Full details of the objection can be viewed on the TVBC Web Site).

## LEISURE

Cllr Forrest reported that DJ Harris have carried out a plumbing inspection on the pavilion. They could not give advice on legionnaires.

The immersion heater is leaking. They have also identified that there is a risk of scalding from the hot water system, especially from the showers as the water temperature fluctuates considerably, due to not being used enough. Cllr Forrest suggested that the hot water is turned off until the Pavilion is refurbished. The Parish Council agreed.

Cllr Forrest reported that Kevin Willey is dealing with the electrics. New keys are to be cut for the barrier. The sign on the gate is working with only one incident of someone blocking the entrance. The Goal Posts are due to be removed and Simon Tilling is to make good the ground.

Cllr Forrest spoke about dog fouling on the field, hiring of the flood lights and the need for a training session/instructions and a tree survey. The Cricket Clubs wishes to buy a £350 sight screen from the Sports Fund. The council discussed this and felt that a better more portable option could be a better buy. Cllr T Forrest will speak to the Cricket Team again.

#### **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR T HOPE**

Borough Councillor Hope thanked the Parish Council for sorting out the repairs of the Street Light outside his property; a big improvement. TVBC are very busy now with administrative work for the County and National elections. TVBC have a new Leader.

**PARISH HALL** – No news to report.

**FOOTPATHS** – All clear and walkable.

**PALESTINE, POUND ROAD and PRINTERS PLACE** – Nothing to report.

**KENTSBORO** – Cllr Gates reported that everything is OK.

#### **SALISBRY LANE.**

Cllr Forrest reported that parking is still a problem at the bottom of the lane by the bridge. Cllr Forrest felt that Highways intention to hold two separate meetings to discuss the traffic calming with Salisbury Lane and Station Road was wrong and will not unite the village on this issue. This was noted.

#### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 12<sup>TH</sup> June 2017.**