

## **Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllr Mr M Glover – Chairman  
Cllr Mr T Burden – Vice Chairman  
Cllr Mr B Elliott  
Cllr Mrs T Forrest  
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
County Councillor Mr A Gibson  
Members of the Public – 39

Apologies: Cllr Mrs L Raynes and Borough Councillor Mr T Hope.

### **WELCOME.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

#### **DOGS ON THE ALAN EVANS MEMORIAL GROUND AND EVANS CLOSE PLAYGROUND**

Most members of the public present had come to talk about the possible banning of dogs from the Evans Close Playground and the Alan Evans Memorial Ground. This was discussed at length, points raised were as follows:

- Mr R Macey from the Cricket Team reported, a health and safety check of the pitch is completed before each game, there have been few incidents of dog's mess.
- The dog walkers present that use the fields felt that there is not a problem with dog's mess. It was suggested that the Parish Council were overreacting.
- Mr Flippance reported that he has been attending Parish Council meetings for over 40 years and the issue of dog fouling is raised at least twice a year, year after year. In his opinion there is a problem and it needed sorting.
- Why not fence in the play areas? It was pointed out that one of the play areas is fenced, a sign stating that dogs are not allowed in the play area is clearly visible, this is often ignored.
- It was suggested that signs are erected informing the public that dog fouling can carry a £1,000 fine. This was noted.
- It was reported that there is also a problem with discarded larger cans and dirty disposable nappies. This was noted.

The Parish Council proposed that the following actions are put in place and the issue re-addressed in a year's time:

1. Four metal dog bins will be installed on the Alan Evans Memorial Ground, one additional dog bin in Evans Close and one in Orange Lane, these bins will be emptied weekly.
2. Additional signs will be placed reminding dog owners that a £1,000 fine could be imposed if they fail to pick up after their dogs.
3. The Parish Council with help from the public, will work with the Test Valley Borough Council Dog Warden to identify owners that do not pick up after their dogs.
4. An article will be placed in the Wallops Parish News, on the Parish Website and Notice Boards.

5. If when reviewed there is still a problem, the Parish Council will arrange a parish referendum. The outcome will be considered before a decision to ban dogs from the Evans Close Playground and the Alan Evans Memorial Ground is made.

## HIGHWAYS

A Salisbury Lane resident reported that since returning to school after the summer break her son has nearly been run over twice. He has also been verbally abused by drivers on his walk along the lane to catch the school bus. The incidents have been reported to HCC Highways.

Can the Parish Council confirm if Salisbury Lane is to be closed? Work was supposed to start in the Autumn but there is no sign of this yet.

The Chairman stated, it has been agreed that Salisbury Lane will be closed to through traffic and traffic calming will be installed in Station Road. There is £332,000 secured funding for the Over Wallop scheme. A recent email from Highways indicated that there is shortfall in funding for the Grateley junction, it is not known if this will hold up the plans in Over Wallop.

Cllr Mr A Gibson arrived at the meeting and confirmed that the Traffic Calming Scheme for Over Wallop will go ahead as planned. Cllr A Gibson will speak to HCC Highways to enquire when the work will start and obtain clarification on the Grateley junction. Cllr A Gibson will report back to the Chairman.

## CRICKET TEAM

Mr R Macey (Club Captain) spoke passionately about the Cricket Team and raised the following points:

- The Cricket Team financing was explained, Mr Macey felt that the £20 match fee imposed by the Parish Council was too high. The Cricket Team would rather pay a one-off fee of £130 at the start of the season.
- The pavilion at present has no hot water or showers.
- The Cricket Team have insurance and carry out Health and Safety Checks before each match.
- The majority of the Cricket Team do come from the village.
- The Cricket Team would like to work with the Parish Council to ensure the future of the Team.

The Chairman responded confirming that the last thing the Parish Council would want is to lose the Over Wallop Cricket Team. The Chairman explained that the action taken to disconnect the showers and hot water system was the correct thing to do. When the legionella risk was identified, advice was taken from professionals who confirmed this.

The Chairman stated, it is hoped that work on the refurbishment of the pavilion will begin this winter. Planning permission has been submitted to alter the roof and provide a veranda, invites to tender for the works are being sent out to the nominated contractors. Funds have been secured from 106 Development monies.

The Parish Council hope that hot water and showers will be ready for the 2019 season. The Chairman stated that the Parish Council have always supported the Cricket Team and will continue to do so. The suggestion that the club would like to do some fundraising would be welcomed.

## **COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR A GIBSON**

Cllr Mr A Gibson reported that Hampshire County Council had to make a saving of £140 Million, this has not been achieved and there is currently a £70 Million deficit. A full Council meeting is scheduled to discuss this position.

Cllr Mr A Gibson informed us that Community grants are available and may help the Cricket Team with their funding. It was agreed that the cricketers could apply directly.

Cllr B Elliott reported that Hampshire Highways are in the process of re-surfacing Pound Road and Evans Close, he praised the contractor for the way they have handled the project, keeping residents informed. Cllr Mr A Gibson agreed to pass this on to Highways.

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Chairman signed the minutes of the August meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr T Burden, seconded by Cllr B Elliott.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr T Burden declared an interest in Planning Application 18/02154/VARN

### **FINANCE.**

Payments to be made in September 2018

R.N. Waterman	Wages – August and September	930.00
Aviva	Insurance	384.90
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Office Allowance	131.73
TVBC	Flashing Speed Sign Maintenance	495.00
Radley House Partnership	War Memorial	5,776.80
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b><u>£7,718.43</u></b>

### **BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.**

After above movements

Current Account	£ 8,578.33
Premier Interest	£ 10,041.91
Sports Account	£ 1,532.50
Allotments	£ 611.00
	<b><u>£20,763.74</u></b>

Proposed by Cllr M Glover, seconded by Cllr J Taylor Firth.

The Clerk confirmed the prices for the Dog Bins.  
Supply and installation for each bin £333.50  
Emptying of each bin £5.75 a week.

### **PLANNING**

18/02154/VARN – Addition of drawing 846/10 BX to approved plan list to allow a basement under the proposed dwelling – The Old Coach Works, Salisbury Road, Palestine. SUPPORT.

18/02330/TREEN – Thin Silver Birch up to 3 meters, reduce height of Yew by 2.5 meters and reduce circumference by 1 meter – Heronbrook, King Lane – NO OBJECTION.

18/02215/FULLN – Erection of four houses and associated garaging, construction of vehicular access and installation of package treatment plant – Land Adjacent to Suddern Farm, Salisbury Lane. OBJECTION due to Density, Ground Water concerns and the addition of more traffic to Salisbury Lane.

### **WAR MEMORIAL**

- The Chairman reported that the Architects have received three tenders for the work and they range from £73,000 to £100,000. Those present were shocked at the cost.
- Cllr T Forrest reported that the War Memorial Trust have stated recently that they are short of funds. They are currently only considering grants for War Memorials at risk or structurally unsound.
- A bill has been received from the Architect for £5,776.80. A payment of £500 has already been made. Excluding vat this is £3,276.80 over the £2,100 figure agreed by the Parish Council. The Project Team will be approached to assist with this cost from their fundraising account.
- Mr P Hope confirmed that the fundraising account is in the region of £3,500.
- It was agreed that further discussion was needed with the project Team.

The Parish Council agreed that they would not fund any further work on the project in this financial year as it had not been included in the budget. The Parish Council have other projects in the village that need funding. The Clerk was asked to write to the architect to confirm this. Cllr J Taylor Firth stated that there should be no more bills to pay as this bill covers the work up to the tender stage.

### **PARISH HALL**

The Chairman reported that a Parish Hall Management Committee Meeting was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018. A lengthy discussion on issues raised at that meeting resulted in the following points:

- RIGHT OF WAY CLAIM – The Chairman proposed that our Solicitor is instructed to reach a compromise with Mr T Howells over the Right of Way Claim. Mr Howells has indicated that he would be happy to move his gates one metre towards the A343 and that an offer of easement through the gates is agreed. This was seconded by Cllr T Burden, the vote was carried 4/1
- There are mixed feelings on the proposed Store, the final decision regarding this has been put on hold until the Right of Way, License Agreement and Constitution issues are sorted.
- The signed copy of the License Agreement cannot be found. The Clerk suggested that this be minuted and a copy signed at the next Management Committee meeting as there could be financial implications regarding the claiming of VAT during the refurbishment of the Parish Hall.

The Chairman will inform Nether Wallop Parish Council Chairman of the decisions made by Over Wallop Parish Council, these issues will be discussed at the next Parish Hall Management Committee meeting.

### **LEISURE**

- The small wooden adventure trail on the Alan Evan Memorial Ground has been removed as several of the wooden post were found to be rotten. A thank you to Mr Sean Diffin and Mr James Lee for their assistance in this matter.
- Invoices have been sent to the Cricket Team and Soccer School for their use of the facilities for the 2018 Season.
- A walk around with a tree surgeon to assess the further work needed on the trees will be organised.
- All agreed that our insurers recommendations should be followed at all times when renting out the AEMG, MUGA and Pavilion.

### **ALLOTMENTS**

- Quotes for the track have come in between £3,500 and £5,500. It was noted that the cost for the materials is £1,500.

- There are two new tenants, agreements to be signed.
- Additional signs have been ordered
- A thank you to Derek Macey for his sterling work in clearing allotments ready for new tenants.

### **EVANS CLOSE PLAY AREA**

Cllr B Elliott reported that there have been incidents of vandalism to the new play area, bolts have been undone, a fire started on the slide and the unravelling of rope on one of the pieces of equipment – this will now be removed until it can be repaired.

### **PALESTINE**

Cllr T Burden reported that residents have been dumping grass and hedge cuttings in the hedge along Peach Grove, this is classed as Fly Tipping. The Clerk was asked to do a letter for the Notice Boards.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Chairman reported that the Village Shop have written to the Parish Council informing them that the shop is to receive a make over and that there is to be an emphasis on selling Local Produce. The Shop is looking for grant funding.

### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

### **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

8<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall, Over Wallop.