

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 7th of November 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman
Cllr Mr S MacDonald – Parish and Borough Councillor
Cllr Mrs B Hunt
Cllr Mr I Cleife
Cllr Mr M Goodman
Cllr Mrs Bunche
Cllr Mr Meek
County Councillor Mr D Drew
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 12

Apologies: Cllr Mr C Sanger and Borough Councillors Mrs M Flood and Mrs S Hasselman – Palestine Ward.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.

Cllr Mr I Cleife proposed that Mrs Bunche be co-opted onto the Parish Council. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs B Hunt. All Agreed. Mrs Bunche signed the Declaration of Office. The Chairman welcomed Cllr Mrs Bunche onto the Parish Council. Cllr Mrs Bunche will represent Palestine on the Parish Council.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald proposed Mr Meek be co-opted onto the Parish Council. This was seconded by Cllr Mr I Cleife. All Agreed. Mr Meek signed the Declaration of Office. The Chairman welcomed Cllr Mr Meek onto the Parish Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mr K Dixon declared an interest in Planning Application 24/02410/FULLN.
Cllr Mr M Goodman declared an interest in Planning Application 24/02562/FULLN.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman then signed the minutes of the October meeting as a true record.
Proposed by Cllr M Cleife and seconded by Cllr B Hunt.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR S MACDONALD.

Borough Councillor Mr S MacDonald will send Mid Test Valley Matters to the Chairman to put on the Hub. Cllr S MacDonald highlighted the subjects in Mid Test Valley Matters:

- TVBC have passed two motions – To offer help with the cut in the Winter Fuel Allowance and an objection to be submitted to Government on the changes to the allocation of new homes in Test Valley.
- TVBC are continuing to prosecute fly-tippers. A recent fine of £2,000 was levied through the courts to a culprit.
- TVBC are running meetings on providing efficient energy solutions for Listed Buildings. Details are available on the TVBC Website.
- Enforcement Notices are to be issued for the unauthorized structures erected by Mr Fudge.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

- Comments from the Parish Council on the draft lease/license for the sports teams have not yet been received. The Sports Working Party has not proposed how it will run the Pavilion

- The Shop Committee will be giving a presentation to the Parish Council in camera, after this meeting.
- SWT have quoted £1,950 for the tree survey which has been accepted.
- The Church Clock is worn out. Replacement parts will cost in the region of £14,000. The Parish Council has always supported the maintenance of the Church Clock. The PCC will see which grants are available for this work and come back to the Parish Council.
- The Chairman will lay a wreath at the War Memorial on Remembrance Day the 10th of November on behalf of the Parish Council. The School is laying a wreath with the children on Monday 11th November and the Chairman requested that all those who can attend, do.

FINANCE.

Financial Report November 2024

INCOME.

Bank Interest	£70.27
Grants Pavilion	£57,280.36
VAT Refund	£12,723.73
Donations Tel Box	£100.00
Misc	£433.70 (H.Community Int £330.00 and BT Payments £103.70)
Total =	<u>£70,608.06</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:	£
Wallops Parish Hall - Hire for meetings	74.00
Brownjohn Allotments – Funds Held	976.46
HCC – Cleaning Materials for Pavilion	183.02
R.N. Waterman - Expenses	28.00
Total =	<u>£1,261.48</u>

PAVILION PROJECT.

CFW	Architects Fees	2,070.00
Millway Builders		68,921.58
VAT Advice		4,560.00
Kitting Out the New Pavilion		2,247.58
Total =	<u>£77,799.16</u>	

Total Expenditure = £80,359.01

Bank Account Balances

After above movements
Current Account = £ 31,340.19
Premier Interest = £ 53,235.94
<u>£84,576.13</u>

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance = £24,798.16

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
Telephone Box Project	= £ 1,905.00
	= <u>£ 22,611.29</u>

Pavilion Project = **£ 37,166.68**

TOTAL FUNDS HELD = **£84,576.13**

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW.

The Chairman will put Cllr Mr D Drew's report on the Hub. Cllr Mr D Drew highlighted the points of interest.

PLANNING.

24/02372/TREEN – Pollard Willow and Reduce height of Sycamore – The Old Drapery Stores, Station Road, Over Wallop – NO COMMENT.

24/02461/TPON – Reduce height Ginkgo Tree and Reduce heights of Walnut Tree – Walnut Tree House, Station Road, Over Wallop – NO COMMENT.

24/02506/TREEN – Removal of 22 Trees – St Peters Church, Over Wallop – NO COMMENT.

24/02457/FULLN – installation of 10 solar panels on roof – Ashfield, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

24/02393/RESN – Application for the approval of reserved matters – Tsavo, Streetway Road, Palestine – SUPPORT.

24/02410/FULLN – Erection of single storey side extension – Cedar Views, Station Road, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

24/02426/FULLN – Retention of outbuilding – The Stables, Walnut Bungalow, Wallop Road, Grateley – Support.

24/02562/FULLN – two storey extension to replace conservatory – The Beeches, Station Road, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

24/02023/LBW – Installation of stairlift on internal staircase – Kings Cottage, King Lane, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

PAVILION PROJECT.

The Chairman was pleased to report that The Rt Hon Caroline Nokes MP officially opened the Pavilion on Saturday 26th October 2024. The Mayor of Test Valley Cllr Ian Jeffrey was also present. The Vicar gave a blessing. Around 60 parishioners and guests came to the opening, looked around the building and had tea and cake.

The Chairman wished to thank Christine Francis and the generous volunteer parishioners for putting on an excellent tea.

There are still a few jobs to be completed. 2.5% of the cost is to be retained and will be paid to Millway Builders in a year's time when all the snagging has been completed.

The Chairman reported that the Sports Working Party has been tasked with putting procedures in place for the running of the pavilion. Interest has been received in using the pitch and Pavilion from an Over Wallop Sunday Football League. A netball team have also expressed an interest in using the facility. A new notice board is to be purchased.

The Pavilion has now been registered with the Post Office and BT can put in the telephone line. Mrs T Macey stated that the Vintage Gathering may be able to help with the cost of a Defibrillator. The Chairman thought this a very generous offer.

A very generous offer to fund an internal and external clock for the Pavilion has been received from a parishioner.

PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

CLLR MR M GOODMAN – Reported that he will have an up-date on the Allotments at the December Meeting. The Clerk confirmed that the Allotments funds which were held by the Parish Council have been transferred to the New Brownjohn Allotment Society bank account.

CLLR MR S MACDONALD – Reported that work on the new website is progressing and a Community Website is in discussion.

The grant for a back-up battery for the Parish Hall from SSE has yet to be confirmed. Work on the refurbishment of the telephone box is due to commence. The contractor hopes to have it back in the village February/March 2025.

Cllr S MacDonald and the Chairman met with HCC to discuss the implementation of a 20MPH Speed Limit. HCC still maintains that the data shows that the speed vehicles travel along Station Road is still too high and needs to be reduced before a 20MPH scheme is considered. At present there is no funding available to assist. Speed Indicator Signs which may be moved around the village are being arranged.

Cllr S MacDonald gave a brief summary of the information he has received to date from HCC regarding the Freedom of Information he requested on the costs for the traffic calming scheme. £320,000 in Developer Contributions were received by HCC for the Over Wallop Traffic Calming Scheme. A full report will be published when all the information has been received.

CLLR MR MEEK – Is to undertake a review of the Parish Council's Legal Documents.

CLLR MRS P BUNCHE – Is to undertake monitoring and communication of external learning opportunities and facilities for young people. Cllr Mrs p Bunche is also the Parish Councillor for the Palestine Ward.

CLLR MRS B HUNT – Reported that the Parish Hall may have two new regular hirings. The Parish Hall Committee has agreed by majority to go ahead with a local baker having a gazebo in the car park to sell bread and cakes, 2 Saturdays a month. The Parish Hall requires a new Fire Board at a cost of over £1000.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr Richard Quick wishes to thank the Parish Council for all the support they have given to the Allotments. A new Committee will be taking the Allotments forward and they now have their own bank account. The allotments are losing one of their members who has had an allotment for 63 years.

Mr Fox thanked the Parish Council for pulling off the Pavilion Project. Over Wallop now has one of the best pavilions in the area. The Cricket Team is delighted to hear that an additional football team and netball may be using the facility.

The Parish Council were informed of a near fatality involving a speeding white van, a horse rider and standing water. The Parish Council were asked if anything could be done to slow down vehicles coming into the Parish before they hit the Speed Limits.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING. 5th of December 2024 in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:

www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk