

**Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2009 in the Wallop Parish Hall at 8pm.**

Present : Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn - Chairman  
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman  
Cllr Mrs P Quick  
Cllr Mr T Burden  
Cllr Mr G Cairns  
Cllr Mr M Cochrane  
Cllr Mr J Francis  
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell  
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk  
Members of the Public - 2  
PCSO Michael Alder

Apologies : Borough Councillor Mr T Hope, County Councillor Mr A Gibson, Chris Hepburn-Buckhannon - Hyde Housing and Mrs R Cartwright NHW.

**WELCOME.** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** - The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr M Cochrane.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST.**

Cllr P Quick declared an interest in Planning as an employee of the TVBC South Planning Department.

**URGENT ITEMS.**

**RECREATION GROUND** - The Chairman reported that she had received a complaint from a parishioner on the state of the Recreation Ground. She had visited the site and it was strewn with litter. Cllr M Hunnibell reported that there had been a gathering of youths in cars on the Recreation Ground on the previous Saturday. They started arriving between 6 - 7 pm and at 9.30pm they were still there and this was reported to the Police through the 101 telephone number. The last car left at 10.30. The litter strewn over the area was a result of this gathering.

The Parish Council discussed the way forward; in the past installing a gate to stop cars parking on the site was not favoured due to the problems of issuing keys and allocating keyholders. It was felt that now may be the time to reconsider this. The Clerk was asked to get quotes for a gate.

The Chairman reported that the Security lights were not working. It was thought that this was down to pavilion users turning off the electricity when they exited the pavilion. The Clerk was asked to contact Wiltshire and Willey to see if they could override the mains switch for the Security Lights.

The Chairman stated that she will go to the recreation Ground in the morning and pick up the rubbish. It was also noted that the Fly Tipping is still behind the Pavilion, the Clerk was asked to contact TVBC again about the Fly Tipping.

**BUSES IN STREETWAY ROAD** - Cllr M Cochrane reported that he has received complaints from residents about the excessive speed the smaller bus travels along Streetway Road. The Chairman suggested that the name of the bus company, the time and the registration number are noted and reported to the Police.

**PLANNING.**

09/01470/TREEN - Sycamore - Remove 2 branches - Sycamore - Remove 4 branches - Elm - Remove 2 branches - Ash - remove 2 branches and prune back of laterals - Sycamore - remove 3 branches - Sycamore crown lift 8 branches - 12 Elms - Fell. Wallop Ford Bridge, Salisbury Lane. Hampshire County Council  
The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning Application.

09/01381/FULLN - Erection of conservatory to rear - 10 printers Place, Orange Lane, Over Wallop. The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning Application.

09/01351/FULLN - Erection of a garage with log store attached, and provision of oil tank - Townsend Manor, Station Road, Over Wallop.  
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to this Planning Application.

**FINANCIAL REPORT.**

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had the following in the bank :-

**BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCE.**

Current Account	£ 15,985.48
Premier Interest	£ 18,770.28
	£ 34,755.76

The Clerk reported that the second payment of the precept should be received from TVBC in early September.

**CHEQUES ISSUED IN AUGUST 2009**

Proposed by Cllr M Hunnibell and seconded by Cllr P Quick.

Southern Electric Contracting	Street Lighting	£232.94
Fair Account	Audit of Accounts	£465.00
Paul Jones Plumbing	Pavilion - Showers/Water System	£4214.75
Relph Ross Partnership	Parish Hall Architect Fees	£2235.31
R. N. Waterman	Wages	£402.50
R. N. Waterman	Expenses	£85.70

**APPLETON CLOSE.**

The Chairman reported that she had attended the exhibition held by Hyde Housing on the proposed extension to Appleton Close. The Chairman was approached by many residents from Appleton Close complaining about parking, speeding cars and the sewage smell.

It was also suggested that the entrance to the Playing field be restricted to stop motorised vehicles onto the field. These complaints have been passed on to Hyde Housing who are looking into the problems and will liaise with Ray Alborough at TVBC and with Southern Water. The problems with the sewage treatment plant are being investigated and work is scheduled to sort out the problem. The Chairman reported that Chris Hepburn-Buckhannon will attend the September Parish Council meeting to give an up-date.

## **PCSO MICHAEL ALDER**

PCSO Michael Alder reported that PCSO Rachael Cassells is working hard to try and sort out the nuisance problem with some of the Youth in the village and visiting Youth from Grateley. There is also a problem in Pound Road. The Chief Inspector of Police has asked for areas where there are problems to be identified. The Police will work with other agencies to try and sort out the matter. An area of Pound Road has been identified and is now included in the scheme.

The Chairman pointed out that this is not in the jurisdiction of the Parish Council, although they would like to be kept informed of any progress in sorting out the problem.

PCSO Michael Alder stated that he is getting involved with the Over Wallop Sports Programme and is keen to help. He has past coaching experience and has attended several of the events held on the recreation ground. The Chairman thanked him on behalf of the Parish Council for getting involved.

## **REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE**

**SUMMER SPORTS PROGRAMME** - Cllr J Francis reported that the Summer Sports Programme is going well and attendance is good. The Wednesday sessions have 30+ attending, fewer attend on a Friday but it is thought this may be due to holidays. The 'Cage' session was a great success and a revisit is planned. Street Dancing is the next visiting event on the agenda and it is thought this will also be well attended. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

The Chairman suggested that we start looking at funding for 2010; the Leisure Committee will meet to discuss the way forward.

**WALLOP YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB** - Cllr G Cairns reported that training has started again and that he is quite excited about the next season as the team are very good and there is a great atmosphere within the club. The Parish Council were really pleased to hear this and wished the team well for the next season.

**PAVILION REFURBISHMENT** - The Chairman and the Clerk reported that the electrics and the new showers and hot water system have been completed. The redecoration of the pavilion is due to start in September. The Pavilion Caretaker has now taken up the post.

**EVAN'S CLOSE PLAY AREA** - It has been very quiet on the Evans Close Play Area with no incidents being reported of late. The Clerk was asked to check on the role of the Safety Officer, a position the previous Clerk held.

## **WALLOP PARISH HALL.**

Cllr J Taylor Firth was pleased to report that fund raising was going extremely well. Community Fund raising now stands at £11,000. The Trust House Foundation has agreed to grant £30,000 and TVBC had granted £18,750 to match the funding by the Parish Councils of £6,250. This gives a total of £310,000. Further grant aid from various organizations has yet to be confirmed.

Cllr J Taylor Firth reported that by reducing some of the specifications for the Parish Hall costs

had been cut to £310,000 and the project can now proceed. Work should start in the second week of October 2009. The hall committee still had to raise some £50,000 to equip the hall and to be able to reintroduce some of the work cut from the original plan. Hopefully grant applications would cover much of this. The Parish Council thought this excellent news and congratulated everyone who has worked so hard to get this project up and running.

### **PARISH COUNCIL CONSTITUTION.**

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth reported that many of the organizations that were approached for a grant for the Parish Hall asked for the Parish Council's Constitution. As a statutory body the Parish Council is bound by rules and regulations of Local Government and a constitution is not required by law. However, he felt that in order to expedite the grant applications, a Parish Council Constitution was needed and one had been produced and distributed to Councillors for comment. When adopted it will be available to members of the public.

The Parish Council discussed the document and it was felt that the statement on the number of co-opted Councillors needed clarification; otherwise the Parish Council was happy with its contents. Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth proposed that the issue raised be checked and the Parish Council asked to adopt the document at the September meeting, this was seconded by Cllr L Murray-Twinn. All agreed.

### **FOOTPATHS.**

**PALESTINE** - Cllr M Cochrane reported that he had spoken to Peter Watson at Hampshire Rights of Way about the Peach, Olive and Orange Groves. Peter Watson has a two man team to cut the footpaths in Hampshire and looks after 57 other parishes. The team is one man down and no work is being done in our area at present because other well used rights of way in Hampshire take precedence. There are a lot of underlying issues with these BOATS and there is not much chance of Hampshire getting round to cutting them.

Cllr M Cochrane reported that the other footpaths in Palestine are in good condition thanks to the work of local farmers.

**OVER WALLOP** - Cllr G Cairns reported that all the Footpaths in Over Wallop are clear and walkable.

### **CORRESPONDENCE.**

The Chairman reported that TVBC wrote to the Parish Council regarding the Rural Settlement Boundary Review for development. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Cllr T Burden attended a meeting at the Weyhill Village Hall to discuss the review and what is required from the Parish Council. The Chairman was annoyed that Palestine was not included in the Over Wallop pack and was assured that the relevant maps would be sent to the Clerk. This has not yet happened.

The Parish Council has been asked to look at the 'Brown Line' for development in the Parish and put forward any recommendations for moving it, keeping it as it is or doing away with it and taking an envelope approach to development. This has to be done by the end of September 2009.

This is the first stage and only a discussion exercise at the moment. Test Valley plan to consult with the public in September 2010. This will be discussed further when the information for Palestine is received.

## **COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR A GIBSON**

County Councillor Mr A Gibson sent his Monthly Hampshire County Council Report to the Parish Clerk. A copy was given to the Parish Councillors. Cllr Mr Gibson has stated that he is looking into the three main issues that were raised at the last meeting:-

1. Salisbury Road Rat Run
2. Funding for the Parish Hall
3. Pound Road Parking

He hoped to update the Parish Council in September.

## **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Mr Mansbridge spoke about the problems he is having getting his vehicles out of his drive due to the work on the new pavement in Streetway Road. Mr Mansbridge then accused the Parish Council and one Councillor in particular (who he identified by pointing at the individual) of past misdemeanors and victimization regarding planning issues on his land spanning a 25 year period.

Cllr J Taylor Firth warned Mr Mansbridge that the meeting was not the platform for raising these accusations and suggested that he should be careful what he says in public about individuals as this could lead to legal action. Cllr Taylor Firth recommended that Mr Mansbridge contact the Standards Board of England if he had a grievance with the Parish Council.

Mr Mansbridge continued with his comments and Cllr Taylor Firth proposed that Mr Mansbridge be asked to leave the meeting. Mr Mansbridge said he would and that he would be contacting the Secretary of State to report the Parish Council. Mr Mansbridge left the meeting.

Mrs Short reported that the Over Wallop Traffic Group hope to meet before the next parish Council meeting and will liaise with the Parish Council. The petition for traffic calming in the village has been sent to Hampshire County Council.

## **CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

## **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

14<sup>TH</sup> September 2009 in the Parish Hall at 8pm.