

OVER WALLOP PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
14th January 2007

- 155/08 Present: Cllrs. Burden, Cleife, Glover, Macey, Murray-Twinn, Taylor-Firth, Quick. Mrs Cartwright and 5 members of the public.
- 156/08 Apologies: Borough Cllr. Hope, Ruth Cartwright.
- 157/08 Minutes of meeting 10 December: All agreed Proposed Cllr. Cleife, Seconded Cllr. Macey
- 158/08 Declarations of interest: none.
- 159/08 Vacancy on Council: The clerk advised the councillors that as TVBC received no applications for the vacancy on the parish council, we needed to co-opt. The clerk asked the two parishioners who had made themselves known to the clerk that they were invited to give a brief resume on themselves and what they think they can offer to the council. Mr Andrew Pickering lives in Pound Road. He left the Army recently and is currently working as a civilian at Middle Wallop. He has a family here and wants to get more involved in the village now that he has more time. Michael Cochran lives in Palestine and works as fire fighter. He too has a young family and has been interested in the council for some time now. Both candidates were warmly welcomed by the chairman who expressed it was a shame that we could only take one councillor. The clerk advised that the unsuccessful candidate can be asked to join the council at a later date if a vacancy becomes available. TVBC have authorised this. The clerk asked all councillors to vote on a piece of paper. The clerk confirmed the majority vote went to Mr Andrew Pickering, who duly accepted the position. The clerk will sort the paperwork out with Mr Pickering directly.
- 160/08 Urgent items: The situation on Old Stockbridge Road is terrible; 52 dug outs should be cleared and only 3 of these are clear. There are flood signs in place, but what we really need is the roads cleared to drain surface water properly. The Clerk agreed to contact Cllr. Woodhall again to chase Highways on this. If they will not clear it, are they going to be liable for accidents that happen? There is a large pothole outside Norbar in Pound Road. Cars are parked close to roundabout and the buses are going up on the verges and ripping them to bits. This is a parking issue and the Clerk agreed to get advice on this. On the BAS site, how many are affordable housing and how many rent or part buy. It is believed that there are 3 for rent. They will be with a housing association, yet to be determined. With the resignation of Cllr. Patel, there is a vacancy on the planning committee. All were in agreement that Cllr. Quick helps out until March when the committees can be re-defined to include Cllr. Pickering.
- 161/08 Police Matters and Neighbourhood Watch: There was a break in at a house on Pound Road over the Christmas period.

162/08 Planning:

Retrospective Plans: 07/03231/FULLN The Old Drapery Stores. Provision of a new roof over kitchen and porch. Internal alterations including replacement windows. Returned with support last week.

Current Plans: 07/03576/FULLN – Southern House. Townsend Manor Farm. Erection of timber entrance gates and wall. – No Objection
08/00030/TREEN – Southern House. Fell 1 diseased tree and 3 saplings to allow growth of other trees in garden. No Objection providing tree officer inspects.
Proposer Cllr. Macey, Seconded Cllr. Quick

163/08 Finance: 1 Retrospective cheque 1076 £410 to Impact Cleaners. £220 of this will be recharged to the hall accounts.

8 current cheques:

1077 – SEC Contracting – maintenance	£189.70
1078 – S.Electric – pavilion electricity	£29.08
1079 – S.Electric – Energy account	£219.34
1080 – Audit Commission	£158.63
1081 – Derek Douch plumbing	£846.00
1082 – Clerk salary and expenses	£430.14
1083 – Hampshire County Youth Band grant	£50.00
1084 – Wallop School PTA grant	£300

Proposed Cllr. Cleife; seconded Cllr Taylor Firth

The precept discussed and it was agreed that a finance meeting would take place after the close of council business. Details at the end of these minutes.

164/08 Traffic Calming The parish council had a letter from a parishioner regarding the lorries using the village. If anyone sees a large lorry, take the number or business details down and report them to the police authority. The Clerk has written to Cllr. Woodhall asking for help on this and clerk agreed to chase him. We believe that the cars parked by the station are causing a problem with this. The lorries can't see the roads properly due to parked cars and over shoot the junction to the main road. They then need to turn around and cause problems.

165/08 Hall Update We have received the confirmation of the lottery development grant of £17,000 to refurbish the hall. We have a tight timescale to complete necessary paperwork in order to move forward to stage 2 application. The hall committee are currently looking at doing plans and get planning permission for the refurbishment of hall. We will be looking at getting the hall completed by September 2009. The planning application must be in by Sept 2008. Nether Wallop has agreed we go ahead with this. We will continue to get help from Pepe Keightley and Sarah Day. The Hall meeting is scheduled for Monday 4th Feb to get a further update. The Hall Committee has identified architects and surveyors who will tender for the work.

166/08 Report from Leisure Committee: Cricket Field. The new bins have been supplied from TVBC. At the pavilion, the plumbing work is now completed. The cricket side screen has been tipped over and the wheels were missing. Clerk will mention it to the cricket club. Evans Close play park. Need to move the dog bin and litter bin to the new area. The clerk will organise this. The allotments have a rat problem. Mr Portsmouth has been clearing

the rats up and the cllrs. agreed to thank him. Cllr. Macey will call to see if there is anything he needs to help with this problem. TVBC have also been approached and they have agreed to place traps in bales of hay alongside the allotments at no cost to the parish. The council has been approached by a parishioner to set up an allotment committee. The allotments are a charitable donation to the village. We do not charge rent, there has always been an informal agreement among allotment holders for more than 50 years. It was felt that the parish council did not want to get involved but if they want help we can do that in the future. The parish council will look at completing the hedging at the allotment to provide further shelter. There is one allotment space left, with room to make more plots if needed.

167/08 Dates of next meeting: 11 February 7.45pm planning.

168/08 Correspondence:

The clerk read a letter of thanks from the prize winner at Test Valley School. The e-mails about the trees on the sports field were read out. It was agreed that the trees will be looked at. The chairman read an e-mail from a parishioner having problems with the lorries in the village. This problem is documented in traffic calming above.

169/08 Public points from floor: The planning application for Streetway Road has been submitted. A parishioner wanted to know if Over Wallop had received the plans. The clerk advised that no plans have been passed to Over Wallop as the application falls in Grateley Parish.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.20 pm. Sandra Holloway – Clerk