

Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14th June 2010 in the Wallop Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present : Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn - Chairman
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr T Burden
Cllr Mr G Cairns
Cllr Mr J Francis
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
Members of the Public - 6

Apologies : Cllr Mr M Cochrane, Borough Councillor Mr T Hope and Mrs R Cartwright NHW.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN - Cllr T Burden proposed Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn as Chairman, seconded by Cllr J Francis. All agreed. There were no other nominations. Cllr Mrs Murray-Twinn was elected Chairman. Cllr Mrs Murray-Twinn thanked the Councillors for their support and stated that she will be standing down from the Parish Council in May 2011.

VICE CHAIRMAN - Cllr L Murray-Twinn proposed Cllr J Taylor Firth as Vice Chairman, seconded by Cllr M Hunnibell. All agreed. There were no other nominations and Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth was elected Vice Chairman.

PARISH COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEES

The Chairman asked for volunteers to sit on the various sub committees. This was discussed and the following sub Committees agreed :-

PLANNING - Chairman, Vice Chairman, Cllr Burden and Cllr Hunnibell.

FINANCE - Chairman, Vice Chairman, Cllr Hunnibell and Cllr Cochrane.

LEISURE - Chairman, Vice Chairman, Cllr Cairns and Cllr Francis

HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - Chairman, Vice Chairman, Cllr Quick, Cllr Burden
Cllr Taylor Firth will take on the role

of Treasurer.

FOOTPATHS - Cllr Cairns - Over Wallop and Cllr Cochrane - Palestine.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr T Burden and seconded by Cllr G Cairns.

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

URGENT ITEMS.

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council could not make comment on the issue of the Shop/Post Office.

POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT

Everything is very quiet at the moment. Residents are asked to be aware that there are illegal door to door pedlars in the area and to be vigilant and call 101. Cllr G Cairns reported that one of the goal posts had been dismantled and spread around the village, this incident had not been reported to the Police.

PLANNING

10/01254/FULLN - Erection of detached dwelling, creation of new access and associated works
Land Adjacent Wykeham House, Farley Street, Nether Wallop.
The Parish Council had NO COMMENT to make on this Planning
Application.

10/01053/FULLN - Change of use from bed and breakfast to residential - The Old Drapery
Stores, Station Road, Over Wallop.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to this Planning
Application.

FINANCE.

CHEQUES ISSUED IN JUNE 2010

Proposed by Cllr G Cairns and seconded by Cllr M Hunnibell.

R.N. Waterman	Wages	£412.50
Mrs L Murray-Twinn	Refreshments AGM	£77.73
Came and Company	Parish Council Insurance	£1510.00
Village Carpenter	Deposit for two Notice Boards	£200.00

Bank Account Balances after above cheques have been deducted :-

Current Account	£ 8,562.36
Premier Account	£18,772.56
	<u>£ 27,334.92</u>

Sports Programme Funding Balance £1,851.13

REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE

SUMMER SPORTS PROGRAMME: The Chairman was pleased to report that the Police Authority have awarded a grant of £3000 to the Over Wallop Summer Sports Programme, this will enable the hiring of professional coaches.

The Chairman reported that she has also been in touch with Test Valley Borough Council, Ross Jones who was such a great help last year has left, and our new contact, Donna Carroll, has been most helpful.

The Chairman is due to meet with Donna Carroll later in the week to finalize a programme of events that will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays for a period of 6 weeks during the School Summer Holidays. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

The Chairman stated that the programme will only be a success if more volunteers come forward to help.

FOOTBALL AND CRICKET FEES - A Leisure Committee meeting is be held on the 21st June to discuss issues including outstanding fees and fixture lists.

PLAYING FIELD GATE - The chain and padlock has again gone missing from the playing field gate, a more permanent solution will be looked into, possibly padlocking the chain to the gate so it can not be removed. The Parish Council discussed the gap next to the gate, motorcycle tracks have been seen on the field, stopping their access is difficult as pushchair access is also needed.

MUGA - The Clerk was pleased to report that Test Valley Borough Council have agreed to the 106 Money being released for the MUGA and the scheme can go ahead. The Clerk asked the Parish Council to agree the final specification ie. tennis nets, fittings and netball posts. The Parish Council were happy with the specifications in the quotes received in February 2010.

As the Leisure Committee were happy with both quotes and did not mind either way who got the contract, Courtstall or Charles Lawrence Tennis Courts. He had contacted Courtstall for an updated quote, this will be put before the Leisure Committee Meeting on the 21st June for authorisation. Courtstall could have the MUGA installed by the end of the first week of August. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

PARISH HALL REPORT.

Cllr J Taylor Firth reported that the developer handed back Parish Hall on the 7th May and all bill were paid by the 17th May, the snagging on the hall is nearly complete. At the end off the project there was a £6000 overspend on the original budget, mainly due to additional items being purchased that were not in the specification for the refurbishment.

The cleaning, bookings and fees have all been discussed and are now in operation. There has been some interest in hiring the hall for regular sessions from some keep fit groups.

TRAFFIC CALMING GROUP REPORT.

Cllr Mr M Hunnibell reported that the Traffic Calming Group have been in discussion with the developer of Northern Farm regarding the proposed traffic calming scheme attached to the Planning Application for the site. The Group feel that any traffic calming should be sympathetic to the area and blend in with the surroundings.

The Traffic Group are working with the Wallop Primary School and a "Walk to School" day has been organised. It has been noted that the MOD have put up signs diverting vehicles through the village to the CIWD event at Porton Down.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman has received a letter about possible funding that may be available from the Jamie G Foundation and will discuss the application form with the Leisure Committee.

The Parish Council received a request from Mrs Hope to put a marquee on the playing field on the 27th November 2010 for her daughter's wedding; the Glebe Field is unsuitable and they would like to use it for parking for the event.

The Chairman declared an interest and took no part in the discussion. The Parish Council discussed this request at length and all agreed that the request be refused for the following reasons:-

1. The last time the Playing Field was used to site a marquee light damage was

caused to the field from the contractors' vehicles. There will be a number of heavy vehicles requiring access to the marquee across the sports field, as well as other ancillary vehicles.

2. Due to the time of year, the field will be likely to be wet and therefore more liable to serious damage.
3. All three football pitches will be in use every Saturday from September. OWPC has a committed interest in the football teams who have booked the facilities on the playing field. This is a sports field and not a domestic facility.

The Clerk was asked to reply to Mrs Hope giving the Parish Council's decision.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Residents of Appleton Close spoke about the problems they are experiencing with sewage come up through the drains into their properties. Points raised :-

1. Residents have no objection to additional houses being built, although car parking will still be an issue.
2. The fear that the additional houses will cause more problems for residents of Appleton Close with sewage.
3. Residents feel that their plight is being ignored by Testway and Hyde Housing, both are aware of the problem but no action has been taken.
4. Contractors that have been to the site over the years have said that the diameter of the sewage pipes in Appleton Close can not cope with the additional flow from the existing houses in Evans Close, causing regular blockages and backups that come up through toilets and baths.
5. There is a regular overflow of sewage from manhole covers in several driveways and a garage.
6. Residents not only have to deal with the sewage but have seen a 400% rise in the sewage charges from the Water Company.
7. Residents feel that the problem needs to be addressed before additional houses are built and have individually objected to the Planning Application for the 8 Affordable Houses.

The Chairman stated that it was shame that residents have not come to the Parish Council before with this problem. Hyde Housing has been to several Parish Council meetings to discuss the proposed extension to Appleton Close. The Parish Council did raise the issue of capacity with the pumping station and had been assured that the problems would be addressed. There has been no mention of the diameter of the pipes, this is the first the parish Council have heard of the cause of the problem.

The Parish Council discussed this issue with the residents present at length and agreed to contact Hyde Housing, Environmental Health at Test Valley Borough Council and bring it to the attention of Borough Councillor Mr T Hope. The Chairman suggested that residents also contact Environmental Health individually with the problem they have experienced.

The Chairman stated that the problem of parking in Evans/Appleton Close has been brought to the attention of both Testway and Hyde Housing.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING
12th July 2010 in the Parish Hall at 8pm