

Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th March 2010 in the St Peter's Church 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 J Francis
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mr A Gibson
Mrs R Cartwright NHW
PC S Beecroft and PCSO M Alder
Members of the Public - 26

Apologies : Cllr Mr M Cochrane and Borough Councillor Mr T Hope

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chairman stated that members of the public are not allowed to speak unless they are specifically addressed. Members of the public have the opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mr Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr Mrs Quick.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

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

URGENT ITEMS.

The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact Testway Housing regarding the residents parking scheme that was promised last year in Pound Road - the proposed work has not been done.

The Chairman reported that the Annual and Parish Assembly meetings will be combined this year and will be held on the 17th May 2010 in the Parish Hall. The Parish Council felt that it would be a good opportunity to report on the Summer Sports programme, plans for the playing field and a tour of the newly refurbished Parish Hall.

POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT.

Mrs Ruth Cartwright reported that things are still quiet at the moment. However, the theft from oil tanks is on the increase and that residents should take extra care on securing their tanks. The lead off the Church Hall roof was stolen.

Mrs Cartwright reported that the Police are offering a property marking service at a cost of £20 per house, anyone interested should contact Mrs Cartwright. Mrs Cartwright reported that dog problem is still ongoing.

PC Beecroft reported on the Neighbourhood Police Team and Community Policing. The consultation to gauge what the community wants is ongoing and that feedback is most welcome. PC Beecroft hoped to attend the Parish Council AGM and give an update.

PLANNING

10/00231/FULLN - Erection of orangery to side - Landford House, King Lane.
The Parish Council made NO COMMENT on this Planning

Application

10/00337/TREEN - Fell 2 saplings, Spruce, Cherry, Ash and 4 hazel saplings - Northern Farm.
The Parish Council made NO COMMENT on this Planning

Application

10/00174/TREEN - Remove 1 conifer and 1 Ash, Lift and reduce crown by 3 metres -
Blacksmiths Farm.

The Parish Council made NO COMMENT on this Planning

Application.

10/00360/TREEN - Fell numerous trees and split trunks - Land alongside Wallop Brook - The
Old Rectory, Salisbury Lane.

The Parish Council made NO COMMENT on this Planning

Application.

10/00403/TREEN - Fell 3 Apple Trees - Northern Farm.

The Parish Council made NO COMMENT on this Planning

Application

10/00109/FULLN - Erection of a building to provide briefing and training accommodation.
School of Army Aviation, Salisbury Road, Middle Wallop.

The Parish Council made NO COMMENT on this Planning

Application

10/00387/FULLN - Conversion and erection of extension to existing building to provide a
swimming pool and gym (amended scheme) - Townsend Manor.

The Parish Council has NO OBJECTIONS to this Planning

Application.

FINANCE

Cheques issued in March 2010 proposed by Cllr Mrs Quick and seconded by Cllr Mr Hunnibell

R.N. Waterman	Wages	£402.50
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	£104.70
Mr D Yates	Storage Filing Cabinets	£50.00
H.P.F.A.	Subscription	£20.00
T.V.B.C.	Emptying of Dog Bins	£132.26
Southern Water	Water Rates Pavilion	£183.16
C A Hutchinson	Village Maintenance	£1630.00

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After Above cheques have been deducted

Current Account	£ 3,850.72
Premier Interest	£ 18,772.56
	£ 22,623.28

*VAT to be reclaimed £183.44

SPORTS PROGRAMME FUNDING.

Not included in the above figures.

Opening Balance = £ 3500.00
Running Costs 2009 = £ 1648.87
Balance = £1851.13

PLAY AREA ON RECREATION GROUND.

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Planning Department at TVBC regarding the 106 agreement money for play areas and confirmed that in principle the money could be used to provide play equipment for the under 5's

The play area ladies produced a report (attached to the master copy of the minutes, a copy given to every Councillor). The Parish Council agreed with its content and was happy with the suggestions made and for further investigations to be made.

REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE

Cllr Mr Cairns reported that his under 10's Football Team are second in the Test Way Youth League with 3 games to go, they have done very well. The 'Little Ones' are also doing well and enjoying themselves. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

Cllr Mr Francis reported that plans are being made for the 2010 Summer Sports Programme. It has been suggested that the Parish Council put an additional post between the playing field gate and the hedge to deter motor bikes entering the field. PC Beecroft urged residents to ring 101 if they see motorbikes on the playing field.

MULTI USE GAMES AREA.

Cllr Mr Taylor Firth spoke about the proposal to put a multi use games area on the playing field. The users of the playing field have been very supportive of the project and details have been in the parish magazine. The Parish Council will be holding an in camera meeting after the Parish Council meeting to discuss contractors and quotes.

The Chairman reported that she has received two letters of objection from parishioners against the provision of a multi use games area. The Chairman read out the letters and asked the members of the public if they had any points they wished to raise.

An objector questioned the use of a multi use games area; he felt that it was a lot of expense for something that would not be used. A second objector stated that he knew of no one in the village who would be interested in netball.

Cllr Mr Cairns reported that there are two community children's football teams, adult football and cricket teams who will use the facility. Cllr Mr Cairns knew that there is a great deal of interest from the village in starting up a both a youth and adult net ball team. In addition to the groups mentioned, the courts will also be available for use by all parishioners. It was also noted that the Police support the provision of a multi use games area.

The first objector stated that there is concern in the village that the character of the playing field will change, this is such an important decision he felt that a village referendum should be held. He stated that the playing field was given to the village not the Parish Council and therefore the village should make the decision. The Chairman noted the views and the Parish

Council will look into the points he raised and check the legal implications.

Mr T Macey thought that this was an excellent opportunity for the village and thought the provision of a multi use games area will get a lot of support from the community.

The Parish Council were asked where they intended to position the additional play area on the playing field. It is proposed to site the play area in the vicinity of the multi use games area, although this has not been confirmed.

The Parish Council were asked about the play area at Printers' Place as it is no longer specified in plans of the Printers' Place Management Company. The Parish Council explained the history of the site and the conditions of the Planning Permission. The Council will investigate this change as it was originally part of the agreed development.

The Parish Council were asked if they had numbers of children in the village. Cllr Mr Taylor Firth reported from the last survey :

4-7 year olds - 121
8-12 year olds - 128
13-16 year olds - 106
17-19 year olds - 99

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR A GIBSON'S REPORT

Cllr Mr Gibson spoke about the repairs to the roads in the County being carried out by Amey. The Chairman stated that she had written to Cllr Mr Gibson regarding the poor quality of the repairs to the roads, many pot holes already need redoing. Cllr Mr Gibson was aware of this and is looking into the Amey maintenance contract.

Cllr Mr Gibson spoke about the provision of grit bins and asked the Parish Council to think about how many they may require for the parish. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Cllr Mr Gibson reported that he has been appointed Chair of HATS and that an audit of all the transport in the villages is to be undertaken.

REPORT FROM THE HALL COMMITTEE.

Cllr Mr Taylor Firth gave a report on the progress of the refurbishment of the Parish Hall. 52% of the total budget has now been spent and building work is on schedule. The internal fixtures and fittings are now being looked at; an estimated £12,000 is needed to complete the internal fittings, of which £8,900 has been raised.

REPORT FROM THE FOOTPATH OFFICERS.

There were no problems to report.

REPORT FROM THE TRAFFIC GROUP

Cllr Mr Hunnibell reported that the Traffic Group have not had a meeting since the last Parish Council meeting. Mr Alborough had sent the road traffic monitoring figures to the Traffic Group. Normally an average of 1,002 vehicles per day use Salisbury Lane but during the bridge closure period 524 of these vehicles used the Southern end of Station Road to get to and from Grateley and the remainder, 478 vehicles, used the Old Stockbridge Road (the signed diversion). Traffic using the southern end of Station Road had increased on average by 25% from 2,075 vehicles per day to 2,599 vehicles per day during the closure.

A resident living opposite Northern Farm stated that she felt that traffic calming outside

Northern farm will only add to the traffic that is already queuing at the narrowest point of Station road; cars are already backing up past her house on a regular basis.

A parishioner stated that she had lived in four houses along Station Road over the last 30 years and she felt that she had not noticed an great increase in the amount of traffic through the village during that time.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The play area at Printers place was raised again and the Parish Council were asked what equipment had been proposed for the site? The Chairman stated that the play area was part of the conditions for the development and the responsibility of the developer. Cllr Mrs Quick stated that the conditions of the Planning Application can still be viewed on line at the TVBC Web Site.

Mrs Ruth Cartwright asked if the Parish Council knew anything about responsibility for trees under street lights as she had been told by the lighting authority that they belong to the Parish Council. The Parish Council had no knowledge of any such liability.

A parishioner wished to congratulate Cllr Mr Taylor Firth for the excellent work he is doing in regard to the refurbishment of the Parish Hall. Cllr Mr Taylor Firth thanked him for his comment but it was a team effort from both Nether and Over Wallop Parish Councils and the Parish hall Management Committee.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

12th April 2010 in St Peters Church Hall at 8pm