

Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th November in the Wallops 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 A Macey
Cllr Mr I Cleife
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
Borough Councillor Mr T Hope
Mr Ray Alborough - Test Valley Borough Council Chief Engineer Highways.
Mrs R Cartwright - Neighbourhood Watch
PCSO Ewa Gunter
Members of the Public - 17

Apologies : County Councillor Mr Woodall.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - The Minutes of the October Meeting were signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mr Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr Mr Cleife.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Cllr Mrs Murray-Twinn declared an Interest in the School Lane Play Group.

POLICE PRESENTATION - VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders and introduced PCSO Ewa Gunter who had come to talk about party bookings in the Parish Hall.

PCSO Ewa Gunter spoke about an incident at the Parish Hall on the 18th October, when police were called as a result of drunken gate crashers trying to gain access to a party for 18 Year olds. The Police made arrests for public order offences. PCSO Gunter has since spoken to the Parish Hall Caretaker to see if anything can be done to alert the police about party bookings for teenagers so that further incidents can be avoided.

The Chairman stated that there a contract for hirers to complete when they book the Parish Hall, which stipulates that under 18's have to have responsible adults present. It was felt that there was not a lot more that could be done, taking a deposit might deter potential hirers, it was felt that the contract could be reinforced when a booking is taken. Borough Councillor Mr Hope stated that sadly these incidents do happen, but they are rare.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Ewa Gunter for coming speaking to the Parish Council, it is reassuring that the Police are taking such a proactive role.

MR RAY ALBOROUGH - ROAD ISSUES.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Ray Alborough to the meeting. Mr Alborough stated that he last addressed the village at a meeting in July 2008. Since then a survey on traffic movements has been completed and he reported on the results.

Over the survey period of 12 hours 0700 to 1900 the results are as follows :-

At the southern (A343) end, 494 light and 7 lorries **entered** Salisbury Lane. These turned in from :- The West The South The East 116 light, 1 lorry. 295 light, 4 lorries 83 light, 2

lorries.

The peak hour use was between 0730 and 0830 when 79 light vehicles **entered** Salisbury Lane. 21 56 2

Leaving Salisbury Lane, there was a total of 466 light and 7 lorries. The table below covers the same directions as recorded above. 104 light and 1 lorry 278 light and 5 lorries 84 and 1 lorry The peak hour use when 66 light vehicles **left** Salisbury Lane, distributed as follows

15 42 9 At the northern end (B3084) Station Road. As above 0700 to 1900 vehicle numbers **entering** for the whole day were recorded as follows :-

From the north From the South 343 light and 6 lorries 77 light and 2 lorries. The peak hour again was 0730 to 0830 when 62 light vehicles **entered** Salisbury Lane 51 11

Leaving Salisbury Lane, there was a total of 421 light and 8 lorries, distributed as follows Towards the north Towards the south 362 light and 7 lorries 59 light and 1 lorry.

The peak hour use when 82 light and 1 lorry **left** Salisbury Lane, distributed as follows 75 light and 1 lorry 7 light.

The total through percentage is 57.3. We now know the consequences of closing Salisbury Lane in vehicle number terms.

Mr Alborough spoke about various schemes that could be implemented in the village and these were briefly discussed. The possibility of changing the priority of the road at Grateley Station to direct vehicles down the Old Stockbridge Road to Kentsborough to join the A343 was discussed; this route would provide quite a few engineering problem with road junctions but is being investigated.

Cllr Mr T Hope was pleased that something is being done at long last; the issue of traffic flow in the village has been ongoing for many years. This is a conservation area and any road improvements/alterations need to be done sympathetically.

Cllr Mr Hope reported that he sits on the Road Safety Committee and has made the County aware of the problems.

The Chairman invited questions from the floor. Questions raised included :- Road Signage, Speed Checks, The Village 30 Programme, Roundabout at the Old Stockbridge Road A343 junction and money for road improvements from the various Development 106 Agreements in the Parish. Mr Alborough answered these questions to the best of his knowledge.

It was agreed that representatives from the village and the Parish Council will walk the village with Mr Alborough in early December. Mr Alborough could not say when or if the work would be done but felt that the ground work needs to be done in preparation.

The Chairman thanked Mr Alborough for attending and giving his presentation.

URGENT ITEMS.

The Chairman reported that Sandra Holloway, the previous Clerk, has worked hard to get the 106 Agreement from Appleton Close and that she was pleased to report that £5508. 39 has been paid into the Parish Council's bank account.

The Chairman reported that she has received correspondence from a resident of Pound Close regarding the large increase in water bills that residents have received from Southern Water. This is not a Parish Council matter but it was felt that a letter to Southern Water and Testway Housing registering the Parish Council's concern on this matter would be in order.

Borough Councillor Mr Hope said he will also look into this matter.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH.

Mrs Cartwright reported that King Lane has been quiet since The George Public House closed. One of the Local Farmers has had problems with his vehicles being attached and an incident involving an attack on his son.

PLANNING.

TVN.08/02614/TREEN - T4 Leylandii - reduce to height of existing hedge - 1 North Farm Cottages, Station Road.

The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning

Application.

TVN.08/02440/FULLN - Alterations to existing access, construction of vehicular access and Bridge and provision of off-road parking. Yew Tree

Cottage, Station

Road.

The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning Application and asked that Highways check Sight Lines and that the old bridge be removed when the new one is in place.

FINANCE.

The Clerk gave an up-date on the Parish Council Bank Balances.

The Parish Council discussed the grant to St Peter's Church. Cllr Mr Macey stated that he would like to see evidence of what the grant is spent on, the Parish Council thought that this was a reasonable request. Cllr Mr Hope declared an interest in the St Peter's Church and reported that all the money is spent on Grass Cutting, the site is a valuable village asset for burials for individuals with village links and of course the war graves. The Parish Council all agreed to give a grant of £600 to St Peter's Church.

Cheques issued in November 2008 :-

| | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------|
| Richard Waterman | Wages and Expenses | £443.17 |
| St Peters Church | Grant | |
| £600.00 | | |
| St Peters Church PCC | Hire of Church Hall | £45.00 |

REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE.

The Chairman reported that C.D.P. has received a grant of £3000 from the Police, some of this will be used to pay for coaching, a further grant of £500 has been awarded from the Hampshire Playing Fields Association towards the Goal Posts and Line Marking. The Parish Council thought this good news.

The Chairman reported that with the Play Groups, a joint Fund Raising Fun Day is being planned for Easter time.

Cllr Mr Macey reported the good news that an under 8's Football Team is to be formed and will be the first Over Wallop Football Team to play in the village for some time. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

Cllr Mr Macey reported that work will be carried out to improve the pavilion, PIR Security Lights will be fitted to the outside, a leak in the roof will be repaired and a wall in the storage area will be taken down to improve the space.

REPORT FROM THE HALL COMMITTEE.

The Chairman reported that the Hall Committee is looking at additional areas for funding. It is hoped that news on the Lottery Grant will be received in the New Year.

FOOTPATH OFFICER - The Parish Council need to appoint a new Footpath Officer, this will be discussed when the Parish Council is at full strength.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Parish Council has received thank you letters from the School Lane Play Group and the Over Wallop Under Fives for the grants the Parish Council awarded them.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY.

The Clerk reported that he had posted the Parish Council Vacancy Notices around the village and Palestine. The Clerk will be informed by Test Valley Borough Council after the 14th November if the Parish Council can co-opt to fill the vacancies or if an election has to take place.

The Chairman suggested that if the Parish Council can co-opt to fill the vacancies that candidates give a brief presentation to the Parish Council. A secret vote will then be held to choose the persons to fill the vacancies. All agreed.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING. The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING. 15TH December 2008 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 8pm.

SUGGESTED DATES FOR 2009 MEETINGS.

January 12th

February 9th

March 9th

April 13th

May 11th

June 8th

July 13th

September 14th

October 12th

November 9th

December 14th