

Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11th October 2010 in the Wallop Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present : Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn - Chairman
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman
Cllr Mrs H Bird
Cllr Mr T Burden
Cllr Mr G Cairns
Cllr Mr J Francis
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
Members of the Public - 10
Mr Richard Greenwood - Washbourne Greenwood
Mrs R Cartwright NHW
PC Simon Beecroft

Apologies : Cllr Mr M Cochrane, Borough Councillor Mr T Hope and County Councillor Mr A Gibson.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mr G Cairns declared an interest in the Wallop Youth Football Teams.
Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn declared an interest in the Wallop Under 5's Play Group.
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell declared an interest in Salisbury Lane and the Wallop Under 5's.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mrs H Bird, seconded by Cllr Mr M Hunnibell.

PRESENTATION FROM WASHBOURNE GREENWOOD.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders and introduced Mr Richard Greenwood from Washbourne Greenwood Planning Consultants.

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council could make no comment and only ask questions relating to planning issues. The Parish Council would make comment at the appropriate time when they receive the Planning Application from Test Valley Borough Council.

Mr Greenwood stated that he was acting on behalf of the Glover Family and wished to inform the Parish Council of their proposals for the Dairy Barns off Orange Lane in Over Wallop. Mr Greenwood gave a power point presentation. The following points were highlighted :-

- * The Barns have not been used for their intended purpose for many years. The Chairman stated that as recently as three years ago then barns had been used as stables.
- * It is proposed to remove the buildings on the site and replace them with a single dwelling with garaging.
- * It is proposed to use an existing entrance off Orange Lane to the new dwelling.

The Parish Council thought that a change of use would need to be applied for as this site is classed as agricultural. Mr Greenwood stated that the Government is proposing to give local communities more of a say in planning in the future and he hoped that local involvement

would assist with the change of use.

The Chairman asked the Members of the Public if they had any questions for Mr Greenwood. Mr Greenwood was asked if a pre-planning application had been sent to Test Valley Borough Council? Mr Greenwood said no. The Chairman thanked Mr Greenwood for his presentation.

POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT

PC Simon Beecroft stated that there had been no reported crimes since the last Parish Council Meeting. Travellers have been making a nuisance of themselves trying to buy scrap at Barrow Hill Barn.

PC Beecroft was asked if he had any information on the incident at the Playing Field the previous Saturday. PC Beecroft stated that he knew nothing, as the incident had not been reported to the Police. Again PC Beecroft asked that all incidents are reported, the Police cannot act if they are not informed.

URGENT ITEMS

Cllr Mr T Burden asked if there was any news on the grit bins. County Councillor Mr A Gibson has informed the Parish Council in his report that the grit bins have been allocated and will be supplied by H.C.C. free of charge and installed over the next 30 days. The Clerk stated that he was still concerned about the liability issue and that there has been no official statement from H.C.C. on this matter. The Chairman asked the Clerk to further investigate this issue.

PLANNING.

The Chairman reported that Mrs M Short has asked to address the Parish Council on the Planning Application for Northern Farm; again the Chairman stated that the Parish Council must make no comment and can only ask questions relating to the Planning Application. The Chairman asked Mrs Short to give her address.

Mrs Short made the following points :*[to be added as an appendix on receipt from Mrs Short]*

REPORT TO FOLLOW!

10/02283/CAWN - Demolition of front boundary wall - Northern Farm

10/02257/FULLN - Erection of dwelling, revisions to existing vehicular access and improvements, closure of existing northern farm road ingress/egress driveway, erection of replacement detached garage, alterations to existing boundaries together with associated works and landscaping - Northern Farm, Station Road, Over Wallop.

The Parish Council discussed these two Planning Applications at great length and agreed to OBJECT. A solution to the dangerous entrance and exit from the site needs to be addressed and the promised traffic calming scheme put forward for discussion.

10/02300/FULLN - Erection of detached annexe to provide elderly relatives accommodation - South Down Farm, Mount Carmel Road, Palestine.

The Parish Council OBJECTED to this Planning Application - The Annex is too far away from the main building.

10/02248/TREEN - One Apple and one Plum, reduce by 2-3m - Grange Cottage, Orange Lane. The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this Planning Application.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs H Bird and seconded by Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth.

FINANCE.

The Clerk reported that District Audit have issued the Audit Certificate. Turnover for the year 1st April 2009 - 31st March 2010 was £322,000.

Due to the high turnover with the refurbishment of the Parish Hall going through the accounts a full audit has been carried out. District Audit has raised two administrative points that the Parish Council needs to address.

1. The Fixed Asset Register should be developed so that it contains more detail, for example, Dates of acquisition, purchase costs and basis of valuation.

The Clerk will produce a new Fixed Asset Register for the Year End, taking on board this comment - At present the values are taken from the Insurance Policy. The Clerk will also liaise with Paul Reynolds the Internal Auditor on this issue.

2. The Council must ensure that it reviews and up-dates the standing orders and financial regulations to reflect the current legislation.

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council will review the standing orders and Financial regulations before the end of this financial year.

The Parish Council thanked the Clerk for doing a good job with the Accounts and Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth for doing the finance for the Parish Hall Refurbishment.

REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE

The Chairman reported that at a recent Leisure Committee Meeting the running of the MUGA was discussed. It was decided that:-

1. The MUGA will be open during the day and locked at night - Mr T Macey has offered to unlock the MUGA on his way to work Monday to Friday. It has been suggested that there is a rota to lock and unlock the MUGA at weekends.
2. There will be a booking system and it is hoped that the Shop will hold the Diary.
3. Booking forms have been produced; the Chairman is to ask the shop to keep a book and forms for potential court users.
4. There will be no charge for parishioners to use the MUGA
5. The Parish Council is to purchase portable flood lighting so the courts can be used during the darker evenings. These will be available to hire - details to be confirmed.
6. Terms and Conditions for use of the MUGA and how to book will be posted on the Notice Boards. The Terms and conditions will also be displayed on the MUGA.
7. A trolley is to be purchased to assist with the transporting of equipment from the store to the MUGA.

YOUTH FOOTBALL - Cllr Mr G Cairns had only one comment to make "Over Wallop 2 - Broughton 1" . The Season is going well and everyone is enjoying themselves.

EQUIPMENT - Cllr Mr J Francis reported that he has sourced a Line Marker at a reasonable price of £285; this will be purchased from the Sports Grant. The Chairman reported that the Clerk has sent the paperwork to claim the £500 grant from Hampshire Playing Fields towards the cost of moving the Goal Posts on the Playing Field.

PLAYING FIELD UNDER 5'S PLAY AREA - Cllr Mr M Hunnibell gave an update on the proposed Play Area for the Under 5's on the Playing Field. The Team are aware that there is limited funding available for this project and have selected the equipment with care and will consult with Mums and toddlers to see which is the most popular before moving forward.

WALLOP UNDER 5'S PLAY GROUP - The Parish Council discussed the Wallop Under 5's. The group is vital social group in the village; in the past they had insufficient funds to meet all overheads. The group has now moved to the Parish Hall and is beginning to attract parents and tots from Nether and Middle Wallop.

The Parish Council has previously agreed that they will assist financially by subsidising their rent for the hire of the Parish Hall. This was discussed and several suggestions aired.

1. The Parish Council could pay the yearly rent for the hall - Councillors feelings were mixed on this suggestion.
2. The Parish Could pay half the yearly rent.
3. Nether Wallop Parish Council could be asked if they would contribute - The Chairman will speak to the Chairman of Nether Wallop Parish Council.
4. The Parish Hall could waiver the hiring fee - Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth was concerned that the Parish Hall needs to cover its costs and at this stage could not give away valuable revenue.

The Chairman suggested that Wallop Under5's be put on the agenda for the November Meeting and further discussions will take place with the group before the next meeting.

PARISH HALL REPORT

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth wished to thank Cllr Mr T Burden for assisting with the base for the shed in the Parish Hall car park; the shed has been erected and is now in use. Racking and a cupboard have been ordered to help with the problem of storage in the Parish Hall. Bookings are on the up with several regular bookings using the hall. The electricity bill for 2 months over the summer came in at under £60 so it is hoped that hall will prove to be energy efficient. The Parish Hall has a balance of just over £2000.

FOOTPATHS.

Cllr Mr Cairns had nothing to report.

TRAFFIC

The Chairman reported that she has received a lot of correspondence over recent weeks on the issue of Salisbury Lane. County Councillor Mr A Gibson and Mr Ray Alborough have been sent copies of all the correspondence.

The Chairman has sent a strong letter to Cllr Mr A Gibson on the traffic issues that affect Over Wallop and the perceived lack of action from Highways.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman has received a letter from The Wallop Vintage Gathering asking if they could please use the sports field on the 28th August 2011 for their annual event. The Parish Council agreed, the Wallop Vintage Gathering was a great event for the village. The Chairman thanked Mr Macey for running the event and leaving the sports field in an excellent condition after the event.

POINTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mrs P Quick asked if the tennis nets are available to use. Cllr Mr J Francis stated that they

are available.

Mr C Hammond suggested that the entrance splays at Northern Farm could be part of the traffic calming scheme. This was noted.

Mr Flippance felt that the only solution to the traffic problem in Salisbury Lane was to close it half way with retracting bollards that could be fitted so that the emergency vehicles can access from either end. This was noted.

A resident from Salisbury Lane asked the Parish Council to please continue complaining to the Authorities about the traffic problems in Salisbury Lane.

Mr T Macey asked if the Parish Council have any thoughts to extend the car parking at the sports field The Chairman stated that this was something that will be looked at and could be part of a future pavilion refurbishment project.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Monday 15th November 2010 in the Parish hall at 8pm.