OVER WALLOP PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING 14th NOVEMBER 2005

- 290/05 Present: Cllrs. Burden, Cleife, Macey, Quick and Cllr. Taylor-Firth. There were 6 members of the public present and PC Beecroft
- 291/05 Apologies: Cllr. Keightley, Hewlett and Mrs Ruth Cartright, Neighbourhood Watch.

292/05 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting 10 October were signed as a true record. Proposed Cllr. Cleife, seconded Cllr. Taylor-Firth.

- 293/05 <u>Urgent Items:</u> Cllr. Burden reported on the meeting held 28 October at Grateley Station.
- 294/05 <u>Neighbourhood Watch Update:</u> In the absence of Ruth Cartright, PC Beecroft advised that although it has been fairly quiet, the number of burglaries has increased in the area.

295/05 Planning: No current plans to discuss, one retrospective plan: 05/00476/FULLN. Sunny Dale, Mount Carmel Road, Palestine. Erection of replacement 3 bed dwelling. Supported by the planning committee and returned to TVBC 03/11/05

295/05 Finance:

3 Current cheques for signature: proposed Cllr. Cleife, Seconded Cllr. Burden.

920- Fair Account – ½ yearly audit £200.00 921- Sandra Holloway November Salary £280.00 922- Sandra Holloway Expenses £ 26.13

296/05 Playground and sports field:

Cllr Macey advised that 2 more people were interested in the allotments, and the council are now in possession of a copy of the deeds that clearly show the donation to the village in 1885.

The pavilion has been broken into and one of the windows is smashed. The finance committee will meet on site to discuss this in greater detail.

Cllr Macey reported that the playground at Evans Close has been closed due to vandalism. The park is dangerous and is now in need of further repairs to make it safe. The area has litter over the field and is a hazard. The fence is so damaged that nails are sticking out, the seat has been burnt and the surface has been kicked up and has large holes in it. The clerk advised the council that she had been in discussion with a contractor who had visited the site and that a plan of action needed to be implemented immediately. It was therefore agreed that a meeting would be arranged with the councillors and Mr John Newman of Wiltshire Contractors to discuss the best way forward. Cllr Macey then opened the meeting up to the public to comment on this point in the agenda.

Among the public, were 2 mothers whose children had used the play park and it was commented on that the vandalism is mainly done at night when the perpetrators

cannot be seen due to lack of street lighting. It was agreed that the possibility of putting a new street light into the area would be looked into. PC Beecroft also advised that if anyone sees anything at all, they should report it so something can be done. Cllr Glover asked if it would be worthwhile talking to the local schools and the clerk agreed to write a letter. With regards to the motorcycles driving on the grass, if either a name of the person driving or the registration number can be given to the police, they have the power to issue a notice against the person or the motorcycle. If they are reported again, the vehicle can be seized. PC Beecroft urged the public to keep their eyes open and report incidents immediately to Stockbridge Police Station.

297/05 <u>Footpaths:</u> There was a complaint from the public that horses are using footpaths as a bridal path. The clerk will look into which footpaths are bridal pathways so that it can be made clear to all riders.

298/05 Wallops Hall:

Cllr. Macey advised that the hall had had a leak recently.

299/05 <u>Correspondence</u>:

The clerk read out various pieces of correspondence. The clerk will write a letter to TVBC advising that the general consensus of the public would be that alternate bin collections is not acceptable.

The clerk will respond to HAPTC with regards to the e-mail received for funding through DEFRA.

300/05 Public points from floor:

The clerk advised the public that she had spoken to Wallop Defence regarding the helicopters and that after discussing the matter with the chairman; she would invite the school of Army flying to attend the January meeting so that there was time to notify the public. They will therefore be invited to give a talk at the next meeting scheduled for 9 January.

The question was asked as to the purpose of the mobile Police Unit. PC Beecroft advised that it is there as a police presence. People can feel free to come and talk to them and report things at these mobile units. They are gathering a lot of knowledge of the areas that they park in, which will be useful.

A parishioner reported that one of the new trees planted has dies and another looks like it needs re-staking. The clerk agreed to contact the contractor that planted the trees and get them to come out and have a look.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.05pm. Sandra Holloway - Clerk

NEXT MEETING- January 9 2006 AT 8PM Planning committee to meet at 7.45 to view plans