

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 8th April 2019 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Mr M Glover – Chairman
Cllr Mr T Burden – Vice-Chairman
Cllr Mr B Elliott
Cllr Mrs T Forrest
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth
Borough Councillor Mr T Hope
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 14

Apologies: County Councillor Mr A Gibson.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.

The Chairman was pleased to report that 4 parishioners have put themselves forward to join the Parish Council. As The Parish have the correct number of Councillors, there will not be an election for Parish Councillors on the 2nd May 2019.

The Chairman reported that Cllr Mrs T Forrest has decided not to stand again and he personally wished to thank her for the hard work and support during her time on the Parish Council. Cllr Mrs T Forrest has carried out the necessary risk assessments for the Play Areas, Pavilion, Allotments and made sure that all users of the Alan Evans Memorial Ground have the correct insurance and carry out their own risk assessments and weekly checks.

The Chairman stated that due to personal and work commitments he will give the Chairman's report at the AGM and will then stand down from the Parish Council.

Thanks were expressed for the work done by Cllr Glover and Cllr Forrest during their time on the Parish Council.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairman signed the minutes of the March meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr T Burden, seconded by Cllr J Taylor Firth.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

PARISH HALL – The Chairman stated that he signed the November 2018 minutes at the Parish Hall Committee meeting in March. The August minutes however had still not been signed as an accurate record.

FINANCE

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN April 2019

R.N. Waterman	Wages – April	465.00
Came and Company	Insurance	190.14
Radley House Partnership	War Memorial Application Fees	240.00
SSE Contracting	Street Lighting	171.00
Southern Electric	Street Lighting	401.33
WPC	Hire of Hall for meetings	96.00
Smith of Derby	30% Deposit for Clock Repairs	557.28

Michelle Shill	Web Site for 2018/2019	157.50
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	17.10
Tildernet	Sight Screen – Cricket	960.00
Over Wallop PCC	Hire of Church Hall	12.00
Over Wallop Cricket Club	Grant	232.50
Total Payments		£3,499.85

INCOME:

Grant for Sight Screen TVBC	= £ 800.00
Allotment Rents	= £ 181.00
VAT Refund	= £3,445.85
	<u>£4,426.85</u>

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above movements	
Current Account	£ 13,338.55
Premier Interest	£ 10,041.91
Sports Account	£ 1,000.00
Allotments	£ 735.84
	<u>£25,116.30</u>

Proposed by Cllr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr T Burden.

PLANNING

19/00702/TREEN – Fell Sycamore, Suddern Farm House, Station Road – NO OBJECTION.

19/00604/TREEN – Reduce Yew Tree by 5m, Reduce Walnut Tree by 5m – Ringwold House, Farley Street, Nether Wallop – NO OBJECTION.

19/00698/FULLN – Single story extension to form kitchen dining room and utility – 2 Danebury View, Danebury Road, Kentsboro, Middle Wallop – SUPPORT

NOTICE OF TREE APPEAL

19/00066/TPON – Fell 1 Beech Tree – Plot ADJ Linden Leas, Old Stockbridge Road, Middle Wallop. Appeal starting date 13th April 2019.

HIGHWAYS TRIAL – UPDATE.

Cllr T Forrest reported the following:

- Highways have a budget of £332,000.00 for the Over Wallop Traffic Calming scheme. The cost of the trial will be taken from that budget, Highways have chosen the most cost effective course for the trial.
- In order to keep costs down the trial will be conducted over a six month period starting in the Autumn – Possibly October/November.
- Electronic Monitoring will be installed and record at agreed times between 6am and 8pm. A turning count will also be carried out by Highways, they have suggested that the parish may want to carry out their own before the trial begins.
- Designs for the trial have not yet been finalised.
- Nether Wallop Parish Council have been included in discussions and fully agree with the trial.
- Highways have stated that if they see a 5% reduction in speed and volume in Station Road they would consider the trial a success.

Cllr T Burden reported that some time ago Highways were paid to carry out repair work in Mt Carmel Road, they completed work at both ends but never finished the middle

section, this section now has many potholes. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways to remind them of their obligation.

Cllr B Elliott reported that Highways have written to a resident of Pound Road instructing him to remove wooden blocks he has installed on the verge outside his property to stop vehicles eroding the verge. Cllr Elliott has personally written to Highways on this issue but has to date not received a reply.

OVER WALLOP SHOP

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter from The Wallops Village Shop Association asking the Parish Council to assist financially with the recovery plan that is needed to clear the loss of 2018 by September 2019 to avoid insolvency. And to put the shop on a sound operational footing.

The Wallops Village Shop Association addressed the meeting and distributed the Accounts for the year ending 30th September 2018. This was discussed at length. The Parish Council agreed that they would support the Wallops Village Shop by paying the rent for the forthcoming Year, this will be reviewed by the Parish Council when they discuss their 2020/2021 Budget. The Chairman proposed that the Parish Council make a financial contribution of £5000 this financial year to assist the shop and help keep it open, this was seconded by Cllr T Burden. All agreed

Borough Councillor T Hope suggested that this agreement could be criticised by parish councillors in the future. He wanted everyone to know that he was in full agreement, he felt that under the circumstances the correct decision had been made.

The Clerk asked The Wallops Village Shop Association for their bank details so that a monthly payment of the rent could be set up.

PARISH HALL

The Chairman reported that the minutes from the WPHC meeting in March were not accurate and will need further discussion before they can be finalised. The Chairman wished to say no more on the subject.

LEISURE.

PAVILION.

- The Clerk reported that the Architect will soon start work on putting together the Planning Application for the pavilion.
- DJ Harris have been asked to re-quote for the shower in the Referees Changing Room. It is hoped to get this installed before the start of the Cricket Season.
- PAT testing paperwork is being chased.
- Cllr T Burden and the Chairman will tackle the repairs to the pavilion doors.

GRASS CUTTING.

- TVBC have been instructed to continue with the grass cutting for the 2019 season.
- Mark Lovell will be asked to continue with the extra cuts, liaising with the Cricket Club
- The Parish Council had hoped to walk around with Lee the Tree expert to look at the trees , this will now be left to the new Parish Councillors.

TENNIS.

- Cllr T Forrest has spoken to Larry Nelson the tennis coach and has organised three dates for tennis coaching on 12th/13th/14th August 2019. Posters will be displayed in the village, on the Web Site and in the Village News.

PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS.

CLLR B ELLIOTT – Reported that there have been incidents of the bus driving fast through Pound Road. Wheelers the Bus Company have been contacted and they are to have a word with the driver concerned.

CLLR T BURDEN – Reported that Garden Fly Tipping is still an issue in Palestine. The Clerk was asked to put together a flyer that can be delivered to all Palestine residents.

CLLR T FORREST – Stated that the OWPC constitution needed bringing up to date by the new Parish Council. Cllr Forrest was also concerned that the copy of the draft Parish Hall Licence Agreement (2009) remained unsigned, it was agreed at the OWPC meeting in March and the WPHMC meeting in November that this should happen. Cllr Forrest felt that Over Wallop continue to take the financial risk for the ownership of the Parish Hall and she felt that they were not supported in this by Nether Wallop Parish Council.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR T HOPE

Cllr Mr T Hope stated that he thought it a shame that Cllr M Glover and Cllr T Forrest are not standing again, they have both contributed a lot to the village. He was encouraged to see that people are coming forward, the Parish Council have done a lot of good work.

Cllr T Hope stated that he too is standing down after 52 years of serving on the parish and Borough Councils. Over Wallop will no longer be in their own ward and will be joining Mid Test Ward, Palestine will no longer be in the Ward. The big shake up with the ward boundaries is a result of TVBC having to lose 5 Councillors.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Mr T Hope for all his support over the years and wished him well in his retirement from local politics.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- Mr P Bye reported that there was a recent burglary in Cholderton Road, Grateley. The property was ransacked and jewellery taken.
- It was reported that the two flashing lights on the A343 are not working. The Clerk was asked to report this to Highways.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

As 2019 is an election year the Parish Council need to meet within a certain time frame. The Parish Council Meeting has been brought forward to:

9th May 2019 - AGM