

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 4th of April 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman
Cllr Mr C Sanger – Vice Chairman
Cllr C Anstis
Cllr S MacDonald – Parish and Borough Councillor.
Cllr Mr M Goodman
Cllr Mr I Cleife
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mr D Drew
Members of the Public – 2

Apologies: Borough Councillors Mrs M Flood and Mrs S Hasselmann.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.

The Parish Council still has two vacancies, one in Over Wallop and one in Palestine.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW.

County Councillor Mr D Drew had sent his report prior to the meeting. The Chairman will put it on the Hub.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR S MACDONALD.

Borough Councillor Mr S MacDonald had sent the Mid Test Valley Matters prior to the meeting. The Chairman has put it on the Hub.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that the Test Valley Draft Borough Plan consultation period closed on the 2nd April 2024.

There was also a recent peaceful protest regarding pumping into the River Test at the Southern Water Fullerton facility.

TVBC are aware of an issue with Aster Homes charging additional sewage charges on homes that were sold from their housing stock.

Following on from the successful Pan Parish Forum to deal with water issues in the Pillhill Brook, a similar forum for Village Halls has been set up and a forum for Village Shops is to be launched.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman signed the minutes of the March meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr I Cleife and seconded by Cllr M Goodman.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

- Hampshire County Council has completed the Traffic Count. The Chairman has requested that the raw data be sent to the Parish Council so that the results can be compared with the previous count in 2023. The Chairman thanked Cllr Mr D Drew for his support.
- The Chairman asked the Parish Councillors to prepare a report on their responsibilities and forward it to her two weeks prior to the meeting. The reports will be presented at the May AGM. Cllr Mr I Cleife gave his apologies for the May Meeting.

- The Chairman and Mrs M Short met with Hampshire Rights of Way in March to discuss the footpath cutting. Hampshire County Council can not confirm at the moment if the footpath cutting requests from Parishes will be funded this year due to cutbacks. The Clerk has confirmed that the Lengthsman Scheme will continue. Over Wallop has not used the allocation of hours for 2023/2024 and the Clerk has confirmed that this will be carried over to 2024/2025. It is therefore hoped to get two cuts in this year from the Lengthsman. The Chairman reported that she is still chasing the Community Pay Back Team to come to the village.
- NDP – There are still a number of NDP Consultation leaflets that need to be distributed around the parish.
- It is proposed to change the number of replacement trees to be planted from 2 to 3 in the tree letter which will be sent to planning applicants who wish to fell trees. This is in line with the NDP.

FINANCE.

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN MARCH AND APRIL 2024

INCOME.

Bank Interest £263.81
 CAF Grant £11,109.49
 Total = **£11,373.30**

EXPENDITURE.

Standing Orders:		£
R.N. Waterman	Wages	560.00
Came and Company	Insurance	335.69
TVBC	Grass Cutting	180.68
SBPC	Storage	10.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Website	14.00
VIXIT	Grounds Maintenance	198.00
	Total =	<u>£1,298.37</u>

Cheques Issued:		£
Chris Wilkins	Litter/PA Inspection/ Clean	160.00
Business Stream	Pavilion Water – Closing Bill	42.30
Amazon	Account Book	37.17
SSE	Street Lighting	404.54
TVBC	Dog Bins	1,875.31
Bulpitt Print Ltd	NDP	208.00
Enerveo	Street Lighting	167.23
	Total =	<u>£2,894.55</u>

PAVILION PROJECT.

Mach Acoustics	720.00
Millway Builders	26,662.76
CWF Architects Fee	600.00
	Total = <u>£27,982.76</u>
	Total Expenditure = <u>£32,175.68</u>

Bank Account Balances

After above movements
 Current Account = £ 3,720.24
 Premier Interest = £ 341,364.68
 Allotments = £ 976.46
£346,061.38

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance = £ 4,537.16

Reserves:

General Reserves	= £ 12,000.00
Street light Replacement Fund	= £ 1,000.00
Over Wallop Community Fund	= £ 1,496.00
Pavilion Project	= £320,041.47
NDP (PC Contribution)	= £ 710.29
Parish Hall	= £ 500.00
Palestine – Play Area GPC	= £ 5,000.00
	<u>=£340,547.76</u>

TOTAL FUNDS HELD	= £345,084.92
Allotments	= £ 976.46
	= <u>£346,061.38</u>

Proposed by Cllr Mr C Sanger MacDonald and seconded by Cllr Mr C Anstis.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW

Cllr Mr D Drew gave a brief summary of the Highlights in his Hampshire County Council Report:

- Hampshire County Councillors were invited to a tour of the Southern Water sewage treatment plant at Fullerton. Those who attended were impressed with what they do and the improvements they have made to deal with the wastewater and returning it back into the River Test in a clean safe condition.
- A presentation from the Pillhill Brook Pan Parish Forum regarding over pumping.
- A scheme being launched for Disease Resistant Elm Trees to replace trees that have had to be felled.

PLANNING.

The Parish Council policy to make no comment on tree applications applied to the following except to request that two new trees are planted for each one felled:

24/00585/TREEN – Fell 1 Spruce – Land behind the White Hart Inn, Station Road Over Wallop.

24/00639/TPON – Fell 2 lime trees and prune others – Walled Garden, Station Road

24/00662/LBWN – Strengthen Roof Structure with steel beam, various other measures to preserve the fabric of the building for the future – Rose Cottage, Station Road, Over Wallop. SUPPORT.

24/000514/CLPN – Application for certificate of lawfulness to replace rear windows, bay window and door and flat to hipped roof SUPPORT.

24/000604/FULLN – New entrance for the two new dwellings – Marwood, Farley Street, Over Wallop. The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION in principle but will make comment on the proposed solid gates. The NDP states that new gates should be of the agricultural, open variety and not solid to fit in with the street scene.

PAVILION PROJECT.

The Chairman gave an up-date on the Pavilion Project:

- The Parish Council's Solicitor is working on the Charge required by the Levelling Up Fund. There are several issues that need sorting before this can proceed.

- Both the water and electricity supplies will need to be upgraded; this will be an additional cost which has not been budgeted. The Chairman requested that the Parish Council hold an 'in-camera' meeting following the Parish Council meeting to discuss applying for additional Grants to cover this and the interior fitting out.
- It has been disappointing that there have been further break-ins since the last meeting.
- Monthly meetings are planned with the Architect, Millway Builders and the Parish Council during the build.
- The Parish Council's insurers have stipulated that the security system needs to be up and running before they will insure the building for handover.

PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

CLLR C ANSTIS – Reported that the Parish Hall is running smoothly and there is still a steady stream of enquiries to hire the hall. The end of year accounts have been completed and are ready to go to the internal Auditor.

CLLR S SANGER – Reported that he has commissioned the VAT report for the Pavilion, the company dealing with this have asked for further information and this has been supplied by the Parish Clerk.

Neighbourhood Watch is going well and continuing to grow in numbers.

Cllr S Sanger reported that he has discussed progressing the speed camera project with Nether Wallop. It was agreed that Over Wallop will proceed with the purchase of the two cameras for the Parish and to engage with HCC for the positioning of the cameras.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he had spoken to the Hampshire Constabulary, and they have confirmed that they will not commit to supporting Auto Speed Watch at this moment in time.

CLLR S MACDONALD – Confirmed that the NDP will go to referendum on the 2nd of May 2024. The leaflet explaining the essence of the NDP has been distributed in prominent places around the village.

CLLR MR I CLEIFE – Cllr Mr I Cleife reported that he is still pursuing the ISO Container hire Company regarding the problems incurred when the container was delivered, and the damage caused to the field.

Cllr Mr I Cleife reported that he is in discussion with Mat Casson (TVBC), the football and Cricket Teams to try and get a solution to the grass cutting schedule.

The Parish Council briefly spoke about the need for a proper hiring fee of the facilities to help cover the running costs of both the Field and the Pavilion. The Chairman reported that the Sports Working Group has been tasked with coming up with a pricing schedule and proposal to run the Pavilion for the Parish Council to consider.

CLLR MR M GOODMAN – Reported that he has spoken to Wendy Gallop about the Allotments and that a further meeting is planned on the 7th April 2024 to discuss the way forward. Cllr Mr M Goodman will report back to the Parish Council.

CLLR MR S MACDONALD – Reported that the NDP Team has written to the landowners of Open Space within the Parish with reference to section 2/5.

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Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that the Resilience Plan is on-going and that he will be attending the next Resilience Forum Meeting to be hosted by TVBC on the 20th April 2024. Cllr Mr D Drew congratulated Cllr Mr S MacDonald for undertaking the Resilience Plan, they are certainly worth doing.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he has applied to the Lottery for a grant to refurbish the Telephone Box.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Chairman reported that she has not received any correspondence.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr Peter Hope asked if there was any progress on getting the railing along Station Road painted? The Chairman confirmed that she had asked the Community Pay Back Team about doing this early last year and they refused due to health and safety reasons while working on the road. A few years ago, residents painted the railings along their boundary. This would not be suggested or organised by the Parish Council.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

AGM on the 2nd May 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

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www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk