

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 4th July 2019 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman
Cllr J Taylor Firth – Vice Chairman
Cllr M Glover
Cllr B Elliott
Cllr T Burden
Cllr V Barnard
Cllr D Boardman
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Borough Councillor Mr Ian Jeffrey
County Councillor Mr A Gibson
Members of the Public – 11

Apologies: Cllr C Smith.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

There were two amendments to the minutes. The Clerk will make these amendments and present the June Minutes for signing at the August meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

STREETLIGHTS – The Clerk reported that he has not yet received the quote from SSE Contracting for the replacement of the concrete streetlights in Pound Road. Work is due to start soon on the replacement of the King Lane streetlights.

HIGHWAYS – The Chairman reported that she been in contact with Jacob at Hampshire Highways. The traffic calming trial is still on track, but the amount of paperwork required may delay the start of the trial till the spring of 2020. Dates for the trial to commence can not be confirmed at this stage. The Chairman will keep the Parish Council informed of any progress.

FINANCE.

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN JULY 2019

R.N. Waterman	Wages – July	465.00
Came and Company	Insurance	190.14
Playsafety Limited	Play Area Inspection	172.80
P Reynolds	Audit Fee	675.00
R.N. Waterman	MacAfee Protection and Expenses	110.70
SSE	Street Lighting	397.51
SSE Contracting	Street Lighting maintenance	241.56
Total Payments		£2,252.71

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above movements	
Current Account	£ 27,366.43
Premier Interest	£ 10,041.91
Sports Account	£ 1,000.00
Allotments	£ 762.04
<u>£39,170.38</u>	

The Clerk reported that Mrs T Forrest had deposited items of historical interest to Over Wallop with the Hampshire County Council archives. The following was deposited:

Over Wallop ephemera, c 1934 – 1986

Papers concerning Over Wallop and its Parish Council, thought to have been kept by the former Parish Clerk Freda Shadwell (1960s–70s) as items of interest to the parish, comprising bundles as follows: 'letters of interest', c1935-86; wartime correspondence, circulars and notices from Romsey and Stockbridge RDC, c1935-86; accounts and financial papers, 1934-45; papers concerning arrangements for the Coronation, 1953, and Silver Jubilee Celebrations, 1977. Permission to dispose of unwanted papers is given.

Hampshire County Council have asked the Parish Council to make a modest financial donation to the county archives. This was discussed, Cllr A Gibson will enquire what size of donation is expected and will report back to the Chairman.

PLANNING.

19/01271/TREEN – Various Tree works at New Lodge Farm, Station Road, Over Wallop – NO COMMENT.

19/01624/FULLN – Erection of a detached bungalow, new vehicle access, and other associated works (revised scheme) – Highfield, Zion Road, Palestine. SUPPORT.

19/01495/FULLN – Retention of first floor balcony – Larch Gables, Old Stockbridge Road, Middle Wallop. NO OBJECTION.

19/01525/CLEN – Application for lawful development certificate – Manor House, Downs Lane, Over Wallop. NO COMMENT.

19/01477/CLEN – Certificate of lawfulness of existing use as a residential dwelling, without the agricultural occupancy tie – Castle Farmhouse, Wallop Road, Grateley. NO COMMENT.

19/01558/TREEN – Fell Sycamore Tree – Wedderlea, Station Road. NO OBJECTION.

19/01607/FULLN – Erection of garden room, to provide additional living space, |Walnut Tree House, Station Road. Cllr V Barnard declared an interest and made no comment. The Parish Council had mixed feelings on this application and voted 3 for and 3 against. The Chairman used her casting vote and an OBJECTION will be made on over development of the site.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Chairman spoke about a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). Having an NDP has two advantages for a Parish Council:

1. The Parish would have more say on future development.
2. The Community Infrastructure Levy payment to the Parish Council would increase from 15% to 25%.

The Chairman asked for the Parish Council's permission to investigate an NDP. All agreed.

ADMINISTRATION – Cllr V Barnard.

Cllr V Barnard reported that she has incorporated the comments received from Councillors in the revised constitution. These comments were discussed. It was agreed that the number of Councillors for a quorum will be set at four.

Cllr J Taylor Firth pointed out that the Parish Constitution was put together as a condition of the Lottery Grant at the time of the Parish Hall refurbishment. It is the Parish Council's Standing Orders that is the legal document. This was noted and it was agreed to keep the constitution as an advisory document. Cllr V Barnard will be reviewing the Standing Orders next.

Cllr V Barnard reported that she has a copy of the Over Wallop Data Protection Policy.

LENGTHSMAN.

The Clerk reported that funding has been received for the Lengthsman. Over Wallop has £1000 of man hours. Jason the Lengthsman charges £22 an hour. The Clerk will liaise with Cllr C Smith as 20% of the budget has to be spent on Footpaths.

WALLOPS VILLAGE SHOP – Cllr D Boardman.

Cllr D Boardman reported that he has been volunteering in the Wallops Shop and it has highlighted some of the problems. The Wallops Shop Management Committee met in mid-June. There are three main points he would like to raise from that meeting:

1. Recent fund raising has cleared the debt, this will stop the bank charges and allow the shop to change banks.
2. Volunteers are needed to help in the shop. The roles associated with the running of the Post Office can not be undertaken by volunteers.
3. A costing into the running of the Fridges and Chillers has been undertaken as the shop's utilities are expensive. It has been agreed that to bring costs down as a matter of urgency and that more efficient fridges/chillers are needed. It is intended to replace 6 of the 9 units at a cost of £5,646. The Capital Grant submitted to HCC had been refused.

The Wallop Shop Committee have asked if the Parish Council would fund this?

The Parish Council discussed this at length.

- Cllr A Gibson stated that the Application to HCC had been sent to the wrong grant source and that he has now spoken to the correct team and they have been in touch with the Wallop Shop Committee. Cllr A Gibson could not give a timescale on how quick funding would be available as there is process to go through.
- Future Fundraising at the Fete, marketing, merchandizing and stocking the shop were discussed.

VOTE:

The Chairman proposed that the Parish Council pay the £5,646 for the new Fridges/Chillers now with the proviso that the Wallop Shop investigate other capital expenditure and apply to HCC for further funding. The vote was held: 6 for the proposal and 1 against.

PARISH HALL- Cllr J Taylor Firth.

Cllr J Taylor Firth reported that at a recent Management Committee Meeting the Accounts for the Year 2018/2019 were approved.

PARISH HALL CONSTITUTION.

The revised Parish Hall Constitution had been brought to the Parish Council meeting for approval. A lengthy discussion on why there are equal numbers of Committee Members from both parishes when Over Wallop own the majority share of the Parish Hall.

VOTE: Proposal to sign the revised Parish Hall Constitution. For 2. Against 5. The constitution will go back to the Management Committee for further discussion.

PARISH HALL LICENCE.

The Licence Agreement between Over Wallop and Nether Wallop for the running of the Parish Hall was signed and witnessed.

Cllr B Elliott asked if the outside lighting has been sorted? The Chairman stated that this is in hand, it is intended to move the sensor further along the building to catch vehicles as they enter the car park.

Cllr B Elliott noted that the building work for the storeroom has started and asked if Mr T Howells has agreed to this? The Chairman reported that all is in order and all parties have been consulted. The Chairman reported that we are very close to getting the land issue resolved.

FOOTPATHS

Cllr Glover will contact Cllr C Smith for a handover of the footpaths.

ALLOTMENTS.

Cllr M Glover reported that Chris Wilkins has cut the track verges and edge of the car parking area and has done a good job.

LEISURE – Cllr D Boardman.

PAVILION – Cllr D Boardman reported that the shower in the Referees Changing Room has been installed. Cllr D Boardman proposed that a working group with a mixture of Parish Councillors, The Cricket Team, Footballers and interested parties be set up to take the pavilion project forward and to investigate the best use of the money available. Refurbish or Rebuild. The Parish Council all agreed to this proposal.

Cllr A Gibson reported that there are capital grants of up to £25,000 available for sports projects from HCC.

TREES – Cllr D Boardman reported that SW Tree Consultants have been engaged to carry out a further tree survey and is happy to walk around with the Parish Council.

TENNIS – Mr Larry Nelson has been contacted to confirm the tennis coaching.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR A GIBSON

Cllr Mr A Gibson stated that he was very disappointed with the response from Jacob and suggested that he liaise with the Chairman to tackle HCC Highways about the proposed delay. Cllr Mr A Gibson briefly spoke about other HCC issues.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR IAN JEFFREY

Cllr Mr I Jeffrey spoke about:

1. The new Planning Committee set up at TVBC. Only one of the three Borough Councillors representing this ward will sit on the committee. This will allow the other two to champion the Parish Councils if they have an issue with a Planning Application.
2. There is a Cycle Festival in Andover to promote the use of Bicycles.
3. Aster are selling off homes and garages, this is of concern and is being investigated.
4. There is money available (up to 75% of a project cost) for small projects from the Borough Councillors Community Fund.

PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS.

CLLR B ELLIOTT – Reported that the Evans Close Play Area has been inspected and that there are no issues to report.

Access from Salisbury Lane onto Station Road is dangerous as the sightlines are obstructed by overgrown vegetation. This was noted, the residents concerned will be contacted.

There is a major problem with parking in Pound Road, a business is being run from one of the houses and works vans are being picked up from the property and workers cars on site, this causes problems for residents. The Clerk suggested that residents contact the estate manager at Aster to report this practice.

CLLR D BROADMAN – Reported that on walking around the Alan Evans Memorial Ground he has picked up dog mess.

CLLR J TAYLOR FIRTH – Recapped that The War Memorial Trust have given a grant of £30,000. There is a current application with TVBC for £25,000 and a grant for CIL funding has been submitted.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr Flippance stated that Cllr Mr A Gibson stated at a meeting at the beginning of the year that he would speak to the Commandant at Middle Wallop about the helicopters flying over property in Palestine. This is still continuing.

Cllr Mr A Gibson stated that he did speak to the Commandant at Middle Wallop and was surprised to hear that helicopters are still flying over property. Cllr Mr A Gibson is attending a function at the Camp and will see if he can get an invite for the Chairman. The issue will again be raised with the Commandant.

Mrs T Forrest asked the Parish Council if they would please remind residents in Station road of their riparian responsibilities regarding the cutting back of vegetation adjoin the riverbank. This was noted.

It was reported that the 30MPH Flashing Speed Sign is still not working on the The Clerk will report this again to Highways.

Mr Kevin Willey thanked the Parish Council for their support on behalf of the Wallops Shop.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

Thursday 1st August 2019 in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm