

## **Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.**

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman  
Cllr Mr C Sanger – Vice Chairman  
Cllr I Cleife  
Cllr C Anstis  
Cllr S MacDonald – Parish and Borough Councillor.  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
County Councillor Mr D Drew  
Members of the Public - 3

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

**WELCOME.** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr Mr S MacDonald declared an interest in planning application 23/02509/TREEN. There were no other declarations of interest recorded.

### **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.**

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

### **POLICE.**

The Police had been scheduled to attend the meeting but sent their apologies as they were dealing with Storm Ciaran and local rural burglaries. It was hoped that their visit could be re-scheduled for another Parish Council or Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

### **PAVILION.**

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council is working through a number of requirements attached to the acceptance of the Levelling Up Fund Grant. These conditions include:

- Confirmation on reclaiming the VAT on the project. Cllr C Sanger has been investigating this issue and suggested that the Parish Council take professional advice. All agreed.
- Fraud Policy
- Re-Tendering

### **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. Cllr Mr D Drew highlighted the following issues:

- The Hampshire Mineral and Waste Policy has been released for consultation.
- 'Voice Hampshire' is to go on the National Stage.
- The Meals on Wheels Service.
- 'Community Pantry Service' the travelling pantry service.
- Funding for school transport.
- Annual Hampshire Footpaths cutting program.
- Cllr Mr D Drew spoke about the possibility of having white lines to discourage parking adjacent to the barn by the War Memorial.

### **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR S MACDONALD.**

Borough Councillor Mr S MacDonald reported:

- Test Valley Borough Council recently hosted a Community Resilience Forum. Parish Councils are encouraged to set up a Resilience Group. TVBC offers help to Parishes who wish to set up a Resilience Group.
- TVBC still has a Cost-of-Living Fund – Details are available on the TVBC Website.
- Test Valley Matters will be put on the Parish Hub.

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

The Chairman signed the minutes of the October meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr I Cleife and seconded by Cllr C Sanger.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.**

- The Chairman and Mrs M Short are to meet with the HCC Footpath Officer C Davis- Cook to discuss the programme for footpath cutting.
- Telephone Box – 3 quotes are being sought for the repair of the telephone box.
- The Parish Council is still waiting for Hampshire Highways to confirm the date for the traffic count.
- The War Memorial has been cleaned and is looking good. The shelter coat still needs to be applied and this will be completed before Remembrance Sunday.
- The siting of the Parish Defibrillators will be added to the Parish Hub.
- The Wallops Parish Hall is installing a defibrillator. It was suggested that the defibrillator at Pinchbecks Garage is moved to the new Pavilion when it is built.

### **FINANCE.**

#### **CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN NOVEMBER 2023**

#### **EXPENDITURE.**

Standing Orders:		£
R.N. Waterman	Wages	560.00
Came and Company	Insurance	311.81
TVBC	Grass Cutting	185.95
SBPC	Storage	10.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Website	14.00
VIXIT	Grounds Maintenance	198.00
	Total =	<b><u>£1,279.76</u></b>

Cheques Issued:		£
BDO LLP	Audit Fee	378.00
D Cullen	Deposit War Memorial Cleaning	545.00
A and S Weed Control	MUGA Cleaning	170.00
SSE	Street Lighting	773.78
Enerveo	Street Lighting Maintenance	334.46
Chris Wilkins	Pavilion Cleaning/Litter/PA	300.00
	Total =	<b><u>£2,501.24</u></b>

Total Expenditure = **£3,781.00**

#### **Bank Account Balances**

After above movements

Current Account	= £	6,480.88
Premier Interest	= £	106,041.91
Allotments	= £	1,006.45
		<b><u>£113,529.24</u></b>

#### **Breakdown of Funds held:**

**Working Balance = £ 14,538.50**

#### **Reserves:**

**General Reserves = £ 12,000.00**

<b>Street light Replacement Fund</b>	<b>= £ 1,000.00</b>
<b>Over Wallop Community Fund</b>	<b>= £ 1,496.00</b>
<b>Pavilion Project</b>	<b>= £ 77,270.00</b>
<b>NDP (PC Contribution)</b>	<b>= £ 718.29</b>
<b>Parish Hall</b>	<b>= £ 500.00</b>
<b>Palestine – Play Area GPC</b>	<b>= £ 5,000.00</b>
	<b>=£ <u>97,984.29</u></b>

<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD</b>	<b>= £112,522.79</b>
<b>Allotments</b>	<b>= £ 1,006.45</b>
	<b>= <u>£113,529.24</u></b>

#### **FRAUD POLICY.**

Cllr C Sanger proposed that the Parish Council adopt the Fraud Policy as an appendix to Financial Regulations. Seconded by Cllr S MacDonald. All agreed.

#### **PLANNING.**

##### **TREE PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

The Parish Council make no comment on Tree Planning Applications. Where trees are felled, in line with the draft NDP, parishioners are requested to plant at least two replacement trees:

23/02509/TREEN – Kings Farmhouse. Cllr Mr S MacDonald declared an interest and made no comment.

23/02536/TREEN – Rookery House.

23/02594/TREEN – Jasmine Cottage.

23/02646/FULLN – Mount Carmel Road, Palestine – 2 storey side and single storey extensions, conversion of Nissan Hut to Garden Building. SUPPORT.

23/02564/FULLN – Stable Cottage, Townsend Manor – Demolish Swimming Pool and build extension. SUPPORT.

23/02502/FULLN – Lindens, Palestine – Extension and home improvements – SUPPORT.

#### **PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.**

CLLR C ANSTIS – Reported that the Parish Hall bookings have increased and expenses are reduced on the same period last year.

CLLR S MACDONALD – Reported that the draft NDP has got through the Examination stage. Several changes have to be made but we are 95% there. It is still hoped to hold a parish referendum early in the new year.

Cllr S MacDonald reported that work is continuing on putting together an Over Wallop Resilience Plan.

CLLR I CLEIFE – Reported that Alan Evans Memorial Ground is running smoothly at the moment. The only concern is the reliability of the grass cutting by TVBC on occasions. Cllr I Cleife is in contact with Matt Casson from TVBC and he hoped that the issue will be sorted. Cllr I Cleife reported that he needs to order 'white lining' material.

The positioning of the King's Coronation bench is in hand.

CLLR S SANGER – Reported that Neighbourhood Watch has been re-vamped and has been re-registered with the Police. Over Wallop now has 22 members and information is flowing through out the parish.

Cllr C Sanger reported that the purchasing of the Auto Speed Data Cameras is in hand. Siting of the Data Cameras will be investigated.

Cllr S Sanger reported that he is still waiting for Open Reach to respond regarding the Fibre to the Home.

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.**

Security at the allotments was discussed and the following points raised:

- There have been a few break ins at the allotments, and they have all been reported to the Police.
- The local PCSO has asked tenants for more information.
- The Parish Council was asked if they had any funds which could be used towards making the allotments secure. The Parish Clerk confirmed that there was £1,006 in the allotments fund. It was reported that at least £10,000 is needed for security fencing. The Chairman suggested that the Allotments look for grants. This was noted.

**CLOSE OF THE MEETING.**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

**PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:**

[www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk)