

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 7th December 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.
Cllr Mr M Goodman
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mr D Drew
Members of the Public – Mr Fox – Cricket Team.

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

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.

The Parish Council had interviewed Mr Mark Goodman prior to the meeting. Cllr Mr C Sanger proposed that Mr Mark Goodman be co-opted onto the Parish Council. This was seconded by Cllr Mr I Cleife. All agreed. Mr Mark Goodman signed the Declaration of Office. The Chairman welcomed Cllr Mr M Goodman onto the Parish Council.

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mr I Cleife and Cllr Mr M Goodman declared an interest in planning application 23/02926/OUTN.

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 from his report:

- Childcare Providers in Hampshire.
- Grants are available to help with Household Re-Cycling.
- Hampshire Highways are ready for the cold weather.
- A scheme to reduce flood risks.
- £122 Million of additional funding from the Government to Hampshire Highways for repairs has been agreed.
- It's time for parents to pick school places.
- Connect for the Community.
- Works undertaken on the Highways by the utility companies.
- It is hoped that the traffic count for Over Wallop will take place in the New Year.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR S MACDONALD.

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

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

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

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

- PAVILION.
- The re-tendering process has been registered on the Government Portal. The closing date for tenders is the 8th of December 2023. There are 9 active tenders. Our Architect will look at the tenders to confirm that they comply. The Parish Council will hold an 'in-camera' meeting on the 21st of December 2023 to look at the tenders and appoint a contractor, informed by the decision matrix approved by the Council. A Pre-contract meeting with the Architect will be held in January 2024.

Cllr Mr C Sanger wished to thank the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council for the huge amount of work she has put into this project.

- The Chairman, Cllr Mr D Drew and Mrs M Short met with the HCC Footpath Officer C Davis- Cook to discuss the programme for footpath cutting.
- Mr Nigel Day has forwarded the first quote for the refurbishment of the telephone box – Full refurbishment and labour £5,747.00 + VAT.
- Mr John Taylor Firth has kindly offered to take on the outstanding tree works that are still required and will provide a report for the work to be completed at the end of the financial year.

FINANCE.

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN DECEMBER 2023

INCOME.

VAT Refund £7,345.99

Football Fees 708.00

£8,053.99

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 =		<u>£1,279.76</u>

Cheques Issued:		£
Playsafety Ltd	Playground Inspection	188.40
SSE	Street Lighting	421.39
D Cullen	War Memorial Cleaning	545.00
DM Sports	Line Marking Paint	157.75
Chris Wilkins	Pavilion Cleaning/Litter/PA	190.00
CWF	Architects Fees	2,040.00
M Lovell	Grass Cutting – PC = £600	2,076.00
	PC Glebe = £500	
	Church Glebe = £630	
	VAT = £346	
Total =		<u>£5,618.54</u>

Total Expenditure = **£6,898.30**

Bank Account Balances

After above movements

Current Account = £ 6,630.12

Premier Interest = £106,041.91

Allotments = £ 1,006.45

£113,678.48

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance = £ 16,727.74

Reserves:

General Reserves	= £ 12,000.00
Street light Replacement Fund	= £ 1,000.00
Over Wallop Community Fund	= £ 1,496.00
Pavilion Project	= £ 75,230.00
NDP (PC Contribution)	= £ 718.29
Parish Hall	= £ 500.00
Palestine – Play Area GPC	= £ 5,000.00
	=£ <u>95,944.29</u>

TOTAL FUNDS HELD = £112,672.03

Allotments = £ 1,006.45

= £113,678.48

Proposed by Cllr Mr C Sanger and seconded by Cllr Mr I Cleife.

PLANNING.

23/02926/OUTN – 2 Self Build Plots – Rowan Oak, King Lane, Over Wallop.

This application is outside the Settlement Boundary and is against the NDP Policy ELP7 and DD1. OBJECTION.

23/02993/FBN – Divert footpath around garden – Park Drove. SUPPORT.

23/03006/FULLN – Single storey rear extension to provide bedroom and shower room – 77 Pound Road, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

CLLR C ANSTIS – Reported that the Parish Hall bookings are down for December as groups break for Christmas. There has been a steady stream of enquiries for bookings next year.

CLLR S SANGER – Reported that he has engaged a VAT Specialist to advise on the Parish Council's position regarding claiming back the VAT for the new Pavilion project.

Neighbourhood Watch is going well.

Cllr S Sanger reported that he is waiting for confirmation from Nether Wallop Parish Council before continuing with the purchase of the Speed Camera data recording cameras.

CLLR I CLIEFE – Reported that everything is going well on the Alan Evans Memorial Ground. There have been a few issues with the Football Team not putting away the nets and leaving the Pavilion in a mess. On two occasions the cleaner was unable to clean. The Chairman will speak to Hampshire United.

CLLR S MACDONALD – Reported that the NDP has been signed off by the examiner. There are 2 points outstanding that the NDP are trying to get resolved with TVBC. The NDP Team hope to get the referendum started in February 2024. The NDP has an outstanding bill with Bluestone for £900 and are in discussions with the company as this was not in the original quotation for works undertaken.

Cllr S MacDonald reported that he will be working on the Parish Resilience over the Christmas break and hoped to present a finished proposal to the Parish Council in the New Year.

The Parish Council Web Site will be looked at with the view to up-dating and refreshing the current format. Cllr Mr C Sanger suggested that he worked with Cllr S MacDonald on improving communications.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr Fox asked the Parish Council if there was any news on the ISO Container for use as storage at the Pavilion. With the demolition of the old pavilion the storage of the Cricket Team equipment will need to be sorted. This was noted.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

1st February 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:

www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk