

Interim Draft Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 7th October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

These minutes will be presented in full at the November Parish Council meeting to be agreed.

Present: Cllr K Dixon – Chairman
Cllr J Taylor Firth – Vice Chairman
Cllr C Sanger
Cllr T Burden
County Councillor Mr D Drew
Borough Councillor Mr I Jeffrey
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 23

Apologies: Cllr I Cleife, Cllr C Smith and Borough Councillors Mrs M Flood and Mr D Coole

Welcome - The Chairman welcomed everyone. Cllr Cleife and Cllr Smith sent their apologies.

There were no declarations of interest.

Parish Council Vacancies - Cllr Boardman has resigned and Cllr Burden would like to step down when he has found a replacement Councillor for Palestine. Volunteers are very welcome.

The Chairman led a vote of gratitude to Cllr Boardman for two and a half years of enthusiastic, diligent and highly effective hard work during which he achieved an enormous amount. All agreed

Borough and County Councillor reports - Both the HCC and Borough Council reports had been received and read by the PC. Cllr Drew highlighted the loosening of restrictions at the Recycling Centres and Cllr Jeffrey highlighted the planting of the Up Somborne Covid Tree and requested assurance that OW would attend future Test Valley Association of Parish and Town Council meetings. The Chairman confirmed that the PC is shorthanded at the moment but that she would attend in future and has done so in the past.

Minutes of the September Meeting - Cllr Taylor Firth proposed and Cllr Sanger seconded.

Chairman's Update

The Chairman reported that she will be attending a meeting with Hampshire County Council on Monday 11 October along with Cllr Drew and the Nether Wallop Chairman to discuss Traffic Calming. The outcome of this meeting will be reported at the November meeting.

SpeedWatch - the new SpeedWatch equipment has been trialled and the Chairman reported on the findings. Two more training sessions have taken place and volunteers are welcome to come forward to help.

Pezazz Soccer has finished for the season, been invoiced and booked in for next year.

The Committee all agreed that the Chairman would walk around the AEMG with Ms Beeson on 14/10 with a view to her starting regular maintenance work.

The Chairman has had a detailed meeting with the Architect for the new Pavilion to agree basic details in order to enable him to go to tender. Councillors were asked to forward names of recommended builders to the Chairman to give to the Architect.

The Committee agreed to the £200 cost of moss prevention on the MUGA

Mr Boardman is in the process of a thorough handover for which the PC is grateful. Cllr Taylor Firth and Cllr Smith have taken over the trees already, Cllr Cleife is doing weekly checks on the AEMG. Leisure will need to be taken over by a Councillor. To be discussed in November.

The Committee agreed that Chairman's negative response to a parishioner asking for financial support for tree work on private property, from the PC, was appropriate.

Reports of rubbish left around the War Memorial have led to the PC agreeing to ask Test Valley to replace the bin, resited by the bench.

The PC will lay a wreath on Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Taylor Firth has agreed to represent the PC.

Finances: The Parish Clerk reported on the month's finances:

INCOME:

WPH Insurance = £850

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN OCTOBER 2021

R.N. Waterman	Wages – October	500.00
Came & Company	Insurance	195.85
Cllr training & SpeedWatch	NWPC	614.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses (paid Sept)	138.84
CFW	Architect Fees	3900.00
Winchester CC	Building Regs	300.00
PKF Littlejohn	Audit	480.00
Bouren Romsey	Fire Ext – Pavilion	251.82
SSE	Street Lighting	558.42
SSE Contracting	Street Lighting	148.87
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	£7,087.80

Current Account	£33,630.86
Premier Interest	£10,041.91
Allotments	£535.56
Total	£44,208.33

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance	£7,696.12
NDP Working Balance	£9,989.80
War Memorial	£2,300.00

Reserves:

General Reserves	£10,000.00
Street Light Replacement Fund	£500.00
Over Wallop Community Fund	£1,000.00
Pavilion Project	£11,332.00
NDP (PC Contribution)	£854.85

Total Funds Held	£43,672.77
Allotments	£535.56
TOTAL	£44,208.33

Finance proposed by Cllr Sanger and seconded by Cllr Burden

Planning – 21/02594/FULLN Double garage and loft. SUPPORT
21/02692/TREEN NO COMMENT

NDP – An update will be published imminently on the NDP website OWparishNDP.uk. The Chairman reported a successful walk around the Parish with the NDP Bluestone consultant to inform the Character Appraisal part of the NDP. The business survey has gone live on the website.

Parish Councillors' Reports

Cllr Sanger:

- Openreach has now provided a formal offer to Over Wallop
- This is missing a number of properties and we are waiting for Openreach to update
- If enough of the properties agree to move to fibre, then we will confirm with Openreach
- Openreach will go ahead and there will be no capital or funding cost to parishioners
- While waiting for the new list of properties, we are gathering commitment and encourage everyone interested to confirm that they will move to fibre
- **Confirmations are made by filling in the form on the OWParishNDP.uk website (under fibre/broadband)**
- Any queries to: broadband@OWParishNDP.uk

Cllr Burden - Cllr Burden would like to step down and has asked if the Parish Clerk could place an advertisement in the Parish Magazine, asking for a candidate from Palestine to offer to take over. Cllr Cleife may now stop checking the Evans Close Play Area as Cllr Burden is doing it. The Chairman thanked him for staying in post until a successor is found.

Cllr Taylor Firth - Tree work is underway on the AEMG and the £6000 of work agreed by the PC will be completed by 13 October. Damage to the guard pillar at the War Memorial will be assessed by Wells Cathedral Stonemason and is expected to come in at £180, under the insurance excess. Hall bookings are picking up.

Members of the Parish - Discussion was exclusively about traffic calming. Extensive questions were taken and the Parish Council responded. It was agreed that the questions to be posed to HCC would be posted on the PC website and that feedback would be given no later than the next PC meeting on 4 November.

The next meeting will be on 4 November 2021. The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.