

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 1st February 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
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mr D Drew
Mr Malcolm Taylor - Millway Builders.
Members of the Public – 3

Apologies: Cllr Mr I Cleife and 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 for Palestine.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mr C Sanger declared an interest in Planning Application 23/03260/TREEN.

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 Test Valley Matters prior to the meeting. The Chairman will put it on the Hub.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that the Test Valley Draft Borough Plan has been released for consultation. There are no material changes for Over Wallop except that Evans Close play area has been taken out of the settlement boundary.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman signed the minutes of the December meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr S MacDonald and seconded by Cllr C Anstis.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

- The website has been updated but there are further issues that need to be addressed. The Parish Councillors' Responsibilities will be reviewed at the March meeting as they are not currently listed on the website.
- Mr John Taylor Firth has gone out to tender for the outstanding tree works that are still required. The Parish Council will decide the preferred contractor by email once the tenders have been received.
- TVBC have confirmed that there is no s106 Money that can be used for the refurbishment of the telephone box. Other grant streams will be looked at. It was noted that a like for like refurbished telephone box can be purchased for £3,000 Cllr Mr S Macdonald offered to investigate and will report back to the Parish Council. Cllr Mr D Drew has already offered a grant towards the cost.
- Pavilion – The Parish Council had to re-tender for the project as a condition of the Levelling-up Grant. An 'in-camera' meeting took place on the 21st of December 2023 and Millway Builders were awarded the contract.

Work is due to start on the Pavilion on the 26th of February 2024 with a completion date in late summer.

The Sports Working Party is to meet with Millway Builders to discuss storage etc.

The Chairman has given a clear brief of what is required.

The Levelling-up funding has been paid into the Parish Council's bank account.

The Parish Council's Solicitor is working on the legal charge required as part of the grant condition. A new on-line bank account has been set up to run alongside the existing Parish Council accounts to make staged payment easier to manage.

- Zoom Meetings, tree works, and future tree maintenance will be put on the Agenda for the March Meeting.

FINANCE.

CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN JANUARY 2024

INCOME.

SSE Pavilion	Electricity – Refund	£189.54
PCC Refund	Grass Cutting	£630.00
Grant – Levelling up Fund	Pavilion	£266,500.00
		<u>£267,319.54</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Standing Orders:		£
R.N. Waterman	Wages	560.00
Came and Company	Insurance	335.69
TVBC	Grass Cutting	185.95
SBPC	Storage	10.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Website	14.00
VIXIT	Grounds Maintenance	198.00
	Total =	<u>£1,303.64</u>

Cheques Issued:		£
SSE	Street Lighting	455.93
Chris Wilkins	Pavilion Cleaning/Litter/P	244.00
Mrs K Dixon	Zoom and Expenses	351.68
S Nightingale	Flashing Speed Sign Maint 20	587.16
Clive Hutchinson	Village Grass Cutting 2023	2,185.00
Business Stream	Pavilion Water	35.42
	Total =	<u>£3,859.19</u>

Total Expenditure = **£5,162.83**

Bank Account Balances

After above movements

Current Account = £ 12,286.83

Premier Interest = £363,047.77

Allotments = £ 1,006.45

£376,341.05

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance = £ 12,890.31

Reserves:

General Reserves = £ 12,000.00

Street light Replacement Fund = £ 1,000.00

Over Wallop Community Fund = £ 1,496.00

Pavilion Project = £341,730.00

NDP (PC Contribution) = £ 718.29

Parish Hall = £ 500.00

Palestine – Play Area GPC = £ 5,000.00

£362,444.29

TOTAL FUNDS HELD = £375,334.60
Allotments = £ 1,006.45
= £376,341.05

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

PLANNING.

The Parish Council policy to make no comment on tree applications applied to the following:

24/00182/TREEN – Pollard Weeping Willow Trees – The Long Barn, Townsend Manor Farm, Station Road.

24/00122/TREEN – Remove two dead Hornbeam and reshape and reduce one Hornbeam – The Farmhouse, Northern Farm, Station Road.

24/00049/TREEN – Beech Tree - Raise canopies to give 8m clearance from the ground – The Sundial House, Station Road.

23/03260/TREEN – Crown raise Lime and Yew up to 5m over drive and up to 2.5m over grass area – The Old Rectory, Station Road.

In accordance with the draft NDP, parishioners who fell trees are requested to plant at least two replacements.

23/03255/PDQN – Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling – The Barn, Pottery Drove, Over Wallop – OBJECTION. This is outside the settlement boundary and therefore against draft NDP policies.'

23/03241/FULLN – Removal of existing roof and addition of first floor: alteration to attached garage roof and extension to rear of garage: removal of side/front lean-to and erection of single storey front/side extension of pergola to rear elevation – Lindens, Streetway Road, Palestine – SUPPORT.

23/03140/FULLN – Raise roof and provide dormer windows, erect single storey rear extension to kitchen, erection of front porch, raise roof and extend garage to provide office/studio and bedroom – Hurst Lodge, King Lane, Over Wallop – SUPPORT.

PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

CLLR C ANSTIS – Reported that the Parish Hall is running smoothly and there has been a steady stream of enquiries to hire the hall. Income is up and expenditure is down.

CLLR S SANGER – Reported that he had no news to report from the VAT Specialist engaged to advise on the Parish Council's position regarding claiming back the VAT for the new Pavilion project.

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

Cllr S Sanger reported that Nether Wallop Parish Council have changed their plans regarding the Speed and Date recording cameras. Hampshire County Council are still insisting that there will be a charge to site the Speed Cameras. Suitable sites have yet to be agreed.

CLLR MR M GOODMAN – Reported that he hopes to get the Coronation Bench installed soon and that he hopes to be able to use specialist equipment to locate any cables under the existing site.

CLLR S MACDONALD – Reported that the NDP Team have reached an agreement with TVBC regarding the 2 points outstanding made by the examiner. A few minor changes need to be made. The NDP Team still hope to get the referendum process started in February 2024.

The outstanding bill with Bluestone for £900 is still in discussion with the company as this was not in the original quotation for works undertaken.

Cllr S MacDonald reported that the Draft Village Resilience Plan communication has been distributed to the Parish Councillors for comment.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW

Cllr Mr D Drew reported that he had no news on when the Traffic Count would take place.

Cllr Mr D Drew reported that Hampshire County Council is now taking requests from Parish Councils for 20mph schemes. It was noted that if an application was successful, the cost of implementing a 20mph scheme would be met by the Parish Council – this could be in the region of £10,000.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr Peter Hope gave his admiration to the NDP Team for the outstanding work they have done on completing the document – well done!

Mr Peter Hope stated that it was a shame that the painting of the railings along the riverbank did not happen and wondered if a Community Project like the last time could be held to get the job done? The Chairman stated that she has tried to make contact multiple times with the Community Pay Back Team, but so far has not been successful.

Mr Malcolm Taylor from Millway Builders introduced himself and was pleased that they got the contract for the building of the New Pavilion. Millway Builders are keen to work with the village and will start on site late February 2024.

Mr Malcolm Taylor spoke about security during the build and that Millway Builders are committed to keep inconvenience to residents during the build to a minimum.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

7th March 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:

www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk