

## **Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of September 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 I Cleife  
Cllr Mr M Goodman  
Borough Councillor Mrs M Flood – Palestine Ward  
County Councillor Mr D Drew  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
Members of the Public – 8

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

### **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.**

The Chairman reported that this was Cllr Mr C Anstis' last meeting. Mrs Bev Hunt has agreed to take over Cllr Mr C Anstis's role at the Wallops Parish Hall and will be co-opted onto the Parish Council at the October Meeting.

The Chairman introduced Mrs Bunche and Mr Meek who have expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. One of them will represent Palestine on the Parish Council as one of the vacancies is for the Palestine Ward.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr Mrs K Dixon declared an interest in Planning Application 24/01944/TREEN.

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

The Chairman then signed the minutes of the July meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr M Cleife and seconded by Cllr M Goodman.

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

Borough Councillor Mr S MacDonald will send Mid Test Valley Matters to the Chairman to put on the Hub.

Borough Councillor Mr S Macdonald reported on the following:

- The new Government have increased the house building allocation from 525 to 920 units per annum, this is an increase of 75%. It is not clear at the moment how this will affect the process of the nearly completed Borough Plan. TVBC have a 'Land Bank' for 5 years, the increase imposed by the Government has several implications which need to be considered.
- TVBC are aware of the unauthorised development in one of the fields adjacent to Pinchbecks. TVBC are taking the necessary actions.
- The new Government's Planning Policy could result in alterations to the Over Wallop NDP in the future.

### **COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW.**

The Chairman will put Cllr Mr D Drew's report on the Hub. Cllr Mr D Drew highlighted the following from the report as a note of interest:

- HCC will challenge the Government re the 5 Year Land Bank issue for future development.
- There is an article on HCC Children's Services.
- HCC have increased the amount of road repairs over the summer.
- There is an interesting article on Solar Power.

- HCC have recorded that school attendance is down.
- £1.5 Million has been allocated to boost the Climate Change Initiative.

## **TRAFFIC.**

- Cllr Mr S MacDonald spoke about the 20MPH Scheme. Salisbury Lane meets the criteria for a 20mph speed limit, but the traffic flow is too high for Station Road. Some additional work needs to be done on Station Road to reduce the speed to bring it into the 20mph criteria. Cost in the region of £30,000. Cllr Mr S MacDonald is pursuing this and will report back to the Parish Council.
- Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he has received some information from HCC regarding the Freedom of Information request submitted on the spending of the 106 Developer money for the Traffic Calming. The total amount collected from 106 Developer contributions was £332,000. £104,000 was spent on previous schemes that were not implemented. £137,000 was spent on the delivered scheme. £61,000 was Flexible Funding that was spent on other traffic schemes in Hampshire. HCC have offered £28,000 towards further work on the preparation for a 20mph speed limit.  
The feeling of the meeting was that these figures needed breaking down further as the figures seemed very excessive. Cllr Mr S MacDonald will go back to HCC.
- Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he has spoken to Donna Jones the Chief Constable of Hampshire Police, and she has confirmed that the Police do not have the resources to pursue Auto Speed Watch and therefore do not support the scheme.
- Cllr Mr C Sanger briefly spoke about other options for gathering speed data including the new Solar Powered Flashing Speed reminder signs.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.**

- The replacement of a new swing seat and fitting Pigeon Spikes on the AEMG is in hand. It is also planned to give the wooden tree house a coat of stain to help hide the graffiti.
- Electric Charging points are being looked into for the AEMG.
- The Parish Council are exploring providing a lease/license to the sports teams for the use of the AEMG to enable them to apply for grants.
- It has been brought to the Parish Council's attention that the Village Shop is struggling. Residents are urged to support the Village Shop.  
The Shop Committee are coming in November to give a presentation to the Parish Council 'In Camera'. A further presentation will be given in public later.

## **FINANCE.**

### **September 2024**

#### **INCOME.**

Bank Interest	£539.33
Grants Pavilion	£94,840.03
VAT Refund	£38,387.59
OWCC Grass Cut	£250.00
Donations Tel Box	£545.00
HCC Grant Tel Box	£350.00
Total =	<b>£134,911.95</b>

#### **EXPENDITURE.**

Standing Orders:		£
R.N. Waterman	Wages	560.00
Came and Company	Insurance	335.69
TVBC	Grass Cutting	180.68
SBPC	Storage	10.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Website	14.00

VIXIT Grounds Maintenance 198.00  
 Total = **£1,298.37** x 2 **£2,596.74**

Cheques Issued: £  
 Mr C Wilkins – Village Maintenance 284.00  
 SSE Pavilion Electricity 285.81  
 Business Stream – Pavilion Water 49.54  
 Enerveo Street Lights 154.84  
 G Larke Tree Works 3,100.00  
 Wallop Parish News – Advert 15.00  
 Bulpitt Printers Maps 45.00  
 SSE Street Lights 574.31  
 Total = **£4,508.50**

**PAVILION PROJECT.**

CFW Architects Fees 600.00  
 Millway Builders 227,616.07  
 TVBC Fees 290.00  
 Total = **£228,506.07**

Total Expenditure = **£235,611.31**

**Bank Account Balances**

After above movements  
 Current Account = £ 749.37  
 Premier Interest = £ 169,101.11  
 Allotments = £ 976.46  
**£170,826.94**

**Breakdown of Funds held:**

**Working Balance = £ 8,855.10**

**Reserves:**

**General Reserves = £ 12,710.29**  
**Street light Replacement Fund = £ 1,000.00**  
**Over Wallop Community Fund = £ 1,496.00**  
**Parish Hall = £ 500.00**  
**Palestine – Play Area GPC = £ 5,000.00**  
**Telephone Box Project = £ 895.00**  
**=£ 21,601.29**

**Pavilion Project = £139,394.09**

**TOTAL FUNDS HELD = £169,850.48**

**Allotments = £ 976.46**

**= £170,826.94**

**PLANNING.**

The Parish Council policy to make no comment on tree applications applied to the following except to request that three new trees are planted for each one felled in line with the Over Wallop Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan:

The following Applications have come in over the Summer Break. Some have missed the submission date for comment but will be forwarded to TVBC for record.

- 24/01518/FULLN – Replacement Dwelling – Lilac Cottage, King Lane – SUPPORT
- 24/01575/FULLN – Alteration to Windows – Poole Cottage, Over Wallop – NO COMMENT as APPROVED.
- 24/01612/TPON – Prune back tree – Appleton Close – NO COMMENT
- 24/01617/LBWN – Add Brick Buttress to Wall – Freemantle, King Lane – APPROVAL.
- 24/01701/DDTPO – Work to dangerous tree opposite 32 Fine Acres Rise, Over Wallop –

CONSENT.

24/01695/TREEN – Reduce Ash Tree – 1 New Farm Cottages, Over Wallop – NO COMMENT.

24/01792/FULLN – Land separation and new dwelling, infill – Tsavo, Palestine – Support by PC in July 2023 – SUPPORT.

24/01782/FULLN – Single storey side extension – 16 Evans Close – SUPPORT.

24/01944/TREEN – Fell Conifer Belt – New Lodge Farm, Station Road – SUPPORT.

24/01984/FULLN – Remodel - porch and car port – Braemar, Station Road – SUPPORT.

### **PAVILION PROJECT.**

The Chairman gave an up-date on the Pavilion Project:

- The two further grant application have been approved and there is enough funding to finish the project.
- Once the handover to the Parish Council has been completed an opening Event will be planned for the village to view the Pavilion. Caroline Nokes MP, will be asked if she will officially open the Pavilion.
- The Sports Working Party have been tasked with putting procedures in place for the running of the pavilion.
- The Car Park has been extended.

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

CLLR MR M GOODMAN – Reported that good progress is being made by the new Allotment Committee. The Allotment Committee are keen to formalise the trees on the border of the Allotments, possibly applying for TPO'S on some of the mature trees.

CLLR MR C SANGER – Reported that the Neighbourhood Watch is going from strength to strength. The Chairman agreed to attend a Neighbourhood Watch group meeting for local Parishes on 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2024.

Cllr Mr C Sanger informed the Parish Council that he should have the invoice for the VAT advice for the Pavilion Project by the next meeting.

CLLR MR S MACDONALD – Reported:

- The grant from the Rural Prosperity Fund for the Phone Box Library was approved and a grant of £350 has been received from Cllr Mr D Drew. This left a shortfall of £650. A note on the Hub asking for donations was posted and the Parish have been very generous. Donations received to date are £1,455.00. The Parish Council wishes to send a big thank you to all who have contributed. The telephone box has been removed and delivered to the contractor for refurbishment. Cllr Mr S MacDonald thought it should be back in the village early in the New Year.
- The Resilience Plan is on-going. A grant for £15,000 has been submitted to SSE for back up batteries to make the Parish Hall a Safe Hub.
- TVBC have been asked to confirm what 106 Developer Money is available for Over Wallop to improve the Play Park Facilities.
- Website – Mr John Francis and Councillor MacDonald's website group has been working on the new website and has produced a draft website for discussion.

CLLR MR C ANSTIS – Reported that bookings of the Parish Hall reduced during August but are slowly getting back to normal.

CLLR MR I CLEIFE – Reported that the Vintage Gathering was a great success. The Parish Council wished to thank Tony Macey and his team for his hard work and producing yet another wonderful day for the Parish and surrounding community. The Chairman wished to thank Cllr Mr I Cleife for all the hard work he does for the AEMG.

### **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.**

Mr Peter Hope wished to thank Mr Tony Macey for putting on the Vintage Gathering: a most enjoyable event over the years and what a shame the 2024 event was the last one. He requested that the Parish Council reiterate its gratitude to Mr Macey which the Chairman gladly did.

Mr Peter Hope also wished to thank the Parish Council for all the hard work they do for the village.

Mr Fox stated that he was glad to hear that the Parish Council are pursuing HCC for a further breakdown on how the 106 Developer money was spent on the Over Wallop traffic calming scheme. The amount of money spent is a disgrace! This was seconded by Mrs Macey.

Mr Fox also thought it a shame that the 2024 Vintage Gathering was the last one and offered any administrative assistance for its continuation.

Borough Councillor Mrs Maureen Flood introduced herself as the Palestine Ward Borough Councillor.

### **PRESENTATION.**

The Chairman presented Christian and Elisabeth with a bouquet of flowers and a card to thank them for all they have done during their time on the Parish Council and Parish Hall and to congratulate them on their forthcoming wedding.

### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING.**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

### **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2024 at 7.30pm in the Wallops Parish Hall.

### **PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:**

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