

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th February 2015 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present : Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn - Chairman
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr T Burden - Palestine Councillor
Cllr Mr M Glover
Cllr Mr G Cairns
Cllr Mr G Gates
Cllr Mr B Elliot
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
Cllr Mr P Bye - Chairman Grateley Parish Council
County Councillor Mr A Gibson
Members of the Public - 7

Apologies : Cllr Mr J Francis, Borough Councillor Mr T Hope and Mrs S Hart NHW.

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

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Taylor-Firth and seconded by Cllr Burden.

4. URGENT ITEMS.

APPLETON CLOSE SEWAGE PROBLEMS – Ms J Winterton reported seven weeks without the smell from the sewage plant. The new contractors are now taking regular samples to make sure the system is working as it should. Residents are now in talks with Hyde Housing who have issued bills for two years of maintenance.

DEFIBRILLATOR - Cllr Burden reported that the Palestine Defibrillator has been installed. The Clerk will now inform the Ambulance Service. Installation of the second defibrillators is in hand.

A demonstration of the defibrillator for those who have contributed to the project will be organised.

The Chairman reported that Wallop Good Neighbours still wish to make a donation towards the purchase of another defibrillator but cannot confirm the amount at present. Nether Wallop Parish Council will be asked for a contribution.

HIGHWAYS - There was no further news to report on Highways issues. Additional pot holes in Pound Road, Evans Close/Station Road and Mt Hermon Road will be reported to Highways. The Parish Council discussed the problem with the drain in Station road that has now started overflowing down the road again. A request to Highways to sort out this drain from both the Parish Council and Cllr Mr T Hope was been submitted last year and nothing has been done. The Clerk will contact Highways again.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There is an increase in scams and cold calling in the area.

Residents are urged to ring 101 if they see anything suspicious, 999 in an emergency.

6. FINANCE

CHEQUES and PAYMENTS ISSUED IN FEBRUARY 2015

Proposed by Cllr Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr Glover

R N Waterman	Wages – February	423.00
Aviva	Insurance – February	188.37
R N Waterman	Expenses	35.10
HCC	Village Hall Supplies	72.83
Southern Electric	Street lighting	291.01
	Total Payments	1,010.31

Money Due In	VAT	1440.10
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BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above payments have been deducted

Current Account	£ 5,833.17 - Working Cash Balance
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Premier Account	£ 2,086.44
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£ 7,919.61

7. PLANNING

14/02737/FULLN - Extension and alterations to barn (used as stables) including raising height of roof, provision of ‘car port’ for horse lorry and wood store. Kents Farm, Farley Street, Nether Wallop.
SUPPORT.

15/00148/TREEN - Prune, thin and reduce - 3 x willow trees as described in notification - The Long Barn, Townsend Manor Farm, Station Road.
SUPPORT

15/00264/TREEN - Carry out various tree works as described within notification - Foresters, Station Road
SUPPORT.

8. LEISURE REPORT

Cllr Glover reported that the cutting around the edges of the sports field has been done. The cages have also been taken off the trees.

The Chairman asked the parish council to approve the sponsorship of Will Cairns who is undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh’s Bronze Award. He plans to complete a Nature Trail in the woodland surrounding the Playing Field. The Chairman will oversee the course work and monitor progress as part of the scheme. The Chairman proposed that the Parish Council sponsor Will Cairns in this project. This was seconded by Cllr Taylor Firth and received full support from the Parish Council.

9. HALL REPORT

Bookings were good in January. A performance of Richard II will be held on the 17th April.

10. FOOTPATHS - The footpaths are wet and muddy. Cllr Glover reported a tree down at Castle Farm.

11. PALESTINE - Cllr Burden had nothing to report.

12. KENTSBOROUGH

The Clerk reported that Queensbury Bus Shelters carried out a survey for the positioning of the Bus

Shelter and that he will be applying to HCC for a licence.

13. POUND ROAD - Cllr Elliot had nothing to report apart from the pot holes.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman read out a copy of a letter sent to TVBC from a resident regarding the damage to the grass triangle at the top of Craydown Lane. The Chairman reported that Cllr Glover had spoken to the chicken farm operator. It was noted that householders who place obstructions on the verge are liable for any damage caused to vehicles.

15. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr Macey asked if there was an up-date on the bus service. The Chairman reported that discussions are on-going.

Mr Macey stated that he was concerned about the cost of running the pavilion. The Chairman stated that this is being discussed in an 'in-camera' meeting after this meeting.

Mr Flippance reported that Southern/Scottish Power is installing new telegraph poles in Palestine. Unfortunately, they are not removing the old ones as BT still have telephone lines attached, so there are now double poles. It was thought that BT will remove the old poles at a later date and move their wires to the new poles.

Mr Mansbridge addressed the meeting, and commented on past planning decisions.

17. CLLR GIBSON

Cllr Gibson reported that HCC have cut the transport budget by 14%, this is having an effect on rural areas. Unfortunately, the bus service is not being used and is not financially viable. Cllr Gibson reported that he persuaded the Cabinet to release £65,000 to set up a group to investigate at the bus service in the rural areas and to come up with a plan of action. HCC have a fleet of 70 vehicles that could be used as community buses.

Cllr Gibson reported that despite all the work being carried out to improve the Broadband connection in Hampshire there will still be 30,000 that will still not be connected.

18. CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

19. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

9TH March 2015

2015 MEETINGS.

20th April

11th May

8th June

13th July

10th August - to confirm in July 2015

14th September

12th October

9th November

14th December