

## **Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011 in the Wallop Parish Hall at 8pm.**

Present : Cllr Mrs I Murray-Twinn - Chairman  
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman  
Cllr Mrs H Bird  
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell  
Cllr Mr J Francis  
Cllr Mr M Cochrane  
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk  
Mrs R Cartwright - NHW  
Members of the Public - 4

Apologies : Cllr Mr G Cairns and Cllr Mr T Burden.

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

### **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

Cllr Mr M Hunnibell declared an interest in the Wallop Under5's and Salisbury Lane.

Cllr Mr J Francis declared an interest in the Youth Football.

Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn declared an interest in the Village Shop being a share holder.

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth declared an interest in the Village Shop being a share holder.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** - The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mr M Hunnibell and seconded by Cllr Mr M Cochrane.

### **URGENT ITEMS.**

Cllr M Cochrane reported a large pothole by one of the road drains in Old Stockbridge Road. Cllr Mr Cochrane gave the pothole's position. The Clerk will report it to Highways.

Cllr Mr Cochrane reported that grit bins have not yet been delivered to Palestine; an additional bin has appeared on the Wallop Road at the bottom of Streetway Road. Cllr Cochrane thought it disgraceful that Grateley Parish has an additional bin when Palestine has none. The Clerk thought that this additional bin has been moved from elsewhere in Grateley, he was not aware of an additional bin being delivered.

**LAND IN APPLETON CLOSE** - The Chairman reported that Test Valley Borough Council has written to the Parish Council regarding land at Appleton Close.

Test Valley Borough Council sold a parcel of land to Hyde Martlet at Appleton Close in Over Wallop. The second and final phase of the sale is being negotiated currently and TVBC note that the Parish Council own the land to the rear of this housing development. Once the sale to Hyde Martlet is completed, TVBC will consider transferring the remaining land at Over Wallop to the Parish Council. If the Parish Council wishes to accept the offer the ownership, the land will legally be transferred and will be the responsibility of the Parish Council.

The Parish Council discussed this matter at length and all agreed to accept the offer of the land providing that there were no costs for the transfer.

### **POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT.**

Mrs R Cartwright reported that she had met Natalie Lock the new PCSO Beat Officer. Natalie is very keen to get involved with the community. Stockbridge Police Beat are not

sure how the cuts in the Police Force will affect the running of the beat. Officers are regularly taken off the beat to cover in Andover. The Data Protection Act unfortunately limits the amount of information available to the NHW Co-coordinators.

## **PLANNING**

10/03044/FULLN - Conversion and extension of outbuilding to provide annexed accommodation for elderly relatives and double garage /workshop South Down Farm, Mount Carmel Road, Palestine.  
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this Planning Application.

10/02844/FULLN - Erection of temporary equestrian workers dwelling - Catherton Stud, Croft Farm, pottery drove, Over Wallop.  
The parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this Planning Application.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

### **CHEQUES ISSUED IN JANUARY 2011**

Southern Electric Contracting	Street Lighting Maint	£213.16	
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Southern Electric	Street Lighting Energy	£285.16	
R.N. Waterman	Wages		£412.50
R.N. Waterman	Expenses		£73.90
Wallop Under 5'S	Grant		£100.00

### **BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.**

After Above cheques have been deducted

Current Account	£	3,289.79
Premier Interest	£	18,776.41
		<u>£ 22,066.20</u>

### **REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE**

PAVILION - Cllr Mr J Francis was pleased to report that since the last incident the pavilion has been left clean and tidy.

FOOTBALL - Cllr Mr Francis reported that the Under 9's have received their first point of the season. It was noted that there are no villagers playing in the Adult second football team, fees have still not been paid and it was agreed that another Leisure Committee meeting needed to be held to discuss this matter.

MUGA - The MUGA is being used responsibly. The portable Flood Lights are to be added to the Parish Council insurance policy. Cllr Mr Hunnibell reported that there is a Tennis Coach in the village willing to help promote the game, he will pass on his details to the Leisure Committee.

PLAYING FIELD - The Clerk has ordered the new rubbish bin for the Playing Field. The additional posts to stop vehicles entering the Playing Field still need fitting.

### **REPORT FROM THE FOOTPATH OFFICERS**

Cllr Mr Cochrane reported that as far as he knew all the footpaths in Palestine are walkable. The Chairman reported that she has not yet had her walk of Palestine with Cllr Mr A Gibson.

### **REPORT FROM THE PARISH HALL**

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth reported that the Parish Hall Management Committee is to be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011. The mid year report to the Big Lottery was submitted in mid December. The next six month report is being put together and target points should be met by the end of May deadline.

Cllr Mr J Francis reported that table tennis is planned to be played in the Parish Hall.

### **TRAFFIC ISSUES**

Cllr Mr Hunnibell reported that the Traffic group seems to be inactive. Salisbury Lane is still a problem. Wiltshire Waste is still using the route through the village as a short cut to their waste depot. The Clerk was asked to report this to Wiltshire County Council.

### **POINTS FORM THE FLOOR.**

Mrs L Webber from King Lane spoke about the Planning Application 10/02585/CLEN the Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use - Builders Yard, Downs Lane, Over Wallop.

Mrs Webber stated that she has objected to this Planning Application and wished to know the Parish Councils reasoning for not objecting? Did the Parish Council consult with neighbours prior to making their comments?

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council discussed this Planning Application at the December meeting and that it was now a closed matter. The Applicant was present and made no comment and it was a pity that Mrs Webber had not attended that meeting.

The Parish Council is guided by Planning Rules and Regulations on how they respond to Planning Applications. It is not within their remit to speak to neighbours and any interest in a Planning Application has to be declared.

The Chairman stated that on many occasions strong objections have been made on Planning Applications received and ignored by the Planners.

Mr M Mansbridge addressed the meeting giving a history of his family and the fight to develop his land in Palestine. He is very disgruntled with the planning process and how he feels he has been treated by the Parish Council in the past. He stated that he has spoken to a higher Authority to complain. He then entered into a series of accusations against a serving Parish Councillor and the Borough Councillor and ex Chairman of the Parish Council.

At this stage, because of the inappropriate nature of the accusations, the Chairman closed the meeting. After some time Mr Mansbridge left the meeting. The Chairman then re-opened the meeting.

Mr Flippance asked if the Parish Council would consider moving the yellow grit bin from Streetway Road to opposite his property where it would be better sited. With the new grit bins placed in this area it would not be missed and the bin does belong to Over Wallop Parish Council. This was noted.

Mr Flippance reported that the Post Box in Palestine was not emptied between 4pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December and 4pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December. There were no postal deliveries on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December and Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December. The Clerk was asked to write to the Post office for an explanation.

### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at 8pm in the Parish Hall.

**2011/2012 PRECEPT**

An 'in camera' meeting followed to discuss the Over wallop Precept for the year 2011/2012.