

Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th January 2012 in the Wallop Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present : Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn - Chairman
Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr T Burden
Cllr Mr M Glover
Borough Councillor Mr T Hope
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
PC Simon Beecroft and PCSO Sophie Downs
Members of the Public - 8
Mr Peter Bye - Grateley Parish Council

Apologies : Cllr Mr J Francis, Cllr Mr G Cairns, Cllr Mr M Hunnibell and Mrs R Cartwright NHW.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr Mr T Burden.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST. There were no Declarations of Interest recorded

URGENT ITEMS.

The Chairman reported that she had received a letter from a resident of Pound Road regarding the dog fouling. The parishioner welcomed the additional dog fouling signs and requested that additional dog bins were placed in the village

The Parish Council discussed this matter and agreed to start with one additional dog bin in the Pound Road area. The Clerk reported that a red (wheel bin) 140ltr dog bin costs £140 and just over £5.40 a week to empty. The Clerk was asked to contact the resident concerned to ask if they had any suggestions where to site the new dog bin.

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council would be holding an 'In Camera' session after this meeting to discuss the 2012/2013 precept.

POLICE REPORT

PC Simon Beecroft introduced PCSO Sophie Downie and reported that there had only been one reported crime in Over Wallop over the last 60 days - a theft of metal from a property in Station Road. The Police still have a presence in Stockbridge and will eventually move their offices into the Fire Station. The beat has lost two personnel through retirement and they will not be replaced. The remaining four officers cover the beat.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cheques issued in January 2012 proposed by Cllr Mr T Burden and seconded by Cllr Mr M Glover.

CHEQUES ISSUED IN JANUARY 2012

Clive Hutchinson	Village Maintenance	£2,050.00
R.N. Waterman	Wages	£412.50
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	£41.70
Southern Electricity	Street Light £285.29 & Pavilion £54.55	£339.84

Southern Electric Contracting Street Lights Maintenance

£228.58

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After Above cheques have been deducted

Current Account	£ 1,517.79
Premier Interest	<u>£ 5,898.82</u>
	£ 7,386.61

106 money applied for £2,000

VAT Refund to be claimed £2,166.34

PLANNING.

11/02682/FULLN - Re-positioning of heat pump from existing positioning loft space to rear of garage externally - 14 Printers Place, Orange Lane
The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning Application

11/02683/FULLN - Re-positioning of heat pump from existing positioning loft space to new position externally under the kitchen window - 13 Printers Place, Orange Lane.
The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning Application

11/02449/FULLN - Temporary use of land for hay and straw storage and distribution (amended temporary period) - Station View Farm, Streetway Road, Palestine.
The Parish Council SUPPORTED this Planning Application.

11/02814/FULLN - Erection of detached double garage - Northern Farm, Station Road.
The Parish Council OBJECTED to this Planning Application - Poor positioning of proposed garage it was felt that a more suitable position could be found.

11/02602/FULLN - Erection of five-bed roomed dwelling with attached garaging and installation of sewage treatment plant - Townsend Manor, Station Road.
The Parish Council OBJECTED to this Planning Application - It was felt that this was ribbon development and was an extension of the village boundary.

Proposed by Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr Mr M Glover.

TEST VALLEY CORE STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth reported on the Test Valley Core Strategy and Development Plan. He circulated some initial notes on the strategy and a copy of these are attached to these minutes. He also reported that none of the sites mentioned in the earlier SHLAA documents that were of concern to residents in Over Wallop and Palestine had been included in the plan.

Borough Councillor Mr T Hope stated that on the 30th and 31st of January members of the public will be able to view the plan in the Guildhall in Andover between 2pm and 9pm. TVBC officers will be available to answer questions. He also stated that the the 'brown line' planning rule will remain in use until the new plan is adopted in 2013.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR TONY HOPE

Cllr Mr T Hope reported that he had just come from a Core Strategy Meeting at Test Valley.

Test Valley Borough Council are encouraging parish councils to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee - TVBC have no money for the event and have not planned to light beacons this time. However, they have pledged to cut the red tape and charges for licences to close roads etc. Parish Councils can put money in their precepts to fund the Jubilee celebrations.

Cllr Mr T Hope suggested that any planned road closures in the village are submitted early to TVBC. This was noted.

Cllr Mr T Hope reported that the Olympic Torch will pass close by but will not go through Over Wallop. Cllr Mr T Hope suggested that the Parish Council keep an eye on the pot holes and keep reporting them to the County Councillor. Cllr Mr M Glover stated that all the ditches need digging out and this should be part of road maintenance - Old Stockbridge Road and Station Road would not flood if the ditches were cleared. This was noted and reported to Hampshire Highways.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Mr T Hope for his report and stated that it was good to see him again after his recent illness.

LEISURE REPORT.

Cllr Mr J Francis sent a report to the Chairman. The men's football team fees will be collected shortly. Martyn Dean is recovering after his accident he will be able repair the gate as discussed. Paul Cullen has asked if the Parish Council would contribute towards the fees for a cricket coaching course. The Parish Council discussed this and agreed that the course could be funded out of the Police Sports Grant.

A date for the Leisure Committee meeting has yet to be set.

PARISH HALL REPORT. There are more bookings for the coming year, otherwise there was little to report.

FOOTPATHS.

The Chairman reported that several trees had blown down across the footpaths during the recent high winds. She thanked Cllr Mr G Cairns and his son who cleared the footpaths.

Cllr Mr M Glover reported that there is some substantial fly tipping on the track by Castle Farm. Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth said he would take a look and take necessary action.

PALESTINE.

The Chairman reported that Parish Council had sought legal advice from Test Valley Borough Council and read out a précis of the information received from Mathew Yeo.

In terms of the two parishes, the issue is that some residents living in the Palestine Ward of Over Wallop would like to form their own parish, which would include part of Grateley parish in the vicinity of the station. Parishioners could conduct a petition requesting support for this, on the proviso that the whole community was polled. If there was a clear majority supporting this initiative, TVBC would have to respond and decide whether to go ahead with a full consultation with everyone affected, but this would apply solely to Palestine Ward.

As Grateley is in a separate Borough Ward (Amport) to Over Wallop, the guidance on Community Governance reviews, says that the council cannot create a parish council that straddles two borough wards. Anyone wanting to alter the parish boundaries and create a 'greater' Palestine area in order to have a separate parish council incorporating part of

Grateley PC, would have to contribute first to any borough wide Ward Boundary Review - this may or may not happen - even if the council requested the Local Government Boundary Commission to conduct one; equally even if the LGBCE did agree to a Ward Boundary Review, any changes to Borough Wards could not take place until 2015.

It would only be if the LGBCE accepted any suggested changes, moving the whole of what the residents concerned consider to be a 'greater' Palestine into one ward or the other (and not both), would they then have grounds to ask TVBC to instigate a Community Governance Review, whereby the council could consider moving the Parish boundaries.

If there was a full ward boundary review, there would be nothing to stop either Grateley or Over Wallop from contributing to the LGBCE consultation.

POINTS FROM THE FLOOR.

Mr Peter Bye reported that Grateley and Quarley Parish Councils are joining together to light a beacon on Quarley Hill to mark the Queens Diamond Jubilee.

Mr Tony Macey reported that there is a tree down across the footpath between Driftway and the chicken farm and one by the Esterline. Mr T Macey also reported that the footpath timber edging installed by the firework factory some years ago has now disappeared under over grown bushes. The Parish Council noted this.

Mr T Macey stated that he had read in the parish magazine that the Parish Council were concerned about the increasing maintenance cost for the sports field, with the excellent facilities now available there are bound to be an increase in the costs. The Chairman pointed out that the concerns were more on the increase in costs for marking out the pitches, a cost that could be met by the footballers.

Mr T Macey asked that the Parish Council please study tree planning applications and actually look at the trees rather than leaving it up to the Tree Officers at Test Valley Borough Council. This was noted.

Mr Flippance asked if the Parish Council will be making a comment on the remaining plots in Palestine when they comment on the Borough Plan? The Chairman thought this a good idea and suggested that the Parish Council and residents get together to discuss this issue at a meeting in the Parish Hall on the 6th February 2012. The Clerk will put an agenda on the Parish Notice Boards to advertise the meeting.

It was reported that there are still several pot holes on Mt Hermon Road in Palestine. This will be forwarded to County Councillor Mr A Gibson as he said he would deal with this issue.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

13TH February 2012 in the Parish Hall at 8pm