

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10th June 2013 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 8pm.

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

Apologies : Borough Cllr T Hope and Cllr A Gibson.

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn declared an interest in Planning Application 13/00916/FULLN.
Cllr Mr J Francis declared an interest in the Youth Football Team.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

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

URGENT ITEMS

TREES - The beech tree at the corner of play area at Evan's Close has been identified as unsafe and requires felling. The Chairman reported that she contacted Dermot Cox, TVBC for advice. He advised that the tree had a TPO, but if it was in a dangerous condition it would need to be felled. An alternative solution would be to remove all limbs and retain some stump as a monolith structure to decay naturally, thus encouraging a wildlife habitat. A quote received for £500.00 for work to comply with the Tree Officer's advise could be accepted without going to tender. However, the parish council after lengthy discussion voted 6 to 2 to go out to tender to remove the tree completely so that all options and costs can be explored. The work cannot be carried out immediately as it is the nesting season. A young tree will be planted to replace the felled one.

POUND ROAD - Residents in Pound Road approached Cllr Francis about an area of overgrown brambles and plants which had once been open space. Residents want it restored to open space and grass. The land belongs to Aster Housing; residents should contact the relevant Aster Housing Officer to put the request forward. The Parish Council gave full support to this proposal.

ALLOTMENTS - The Chairman reported that there has been a considerable boundary encroachment by a resident adjacent to the allotments. The Chairman visited the

Hampshire Records Office and now holds digital copies of maps and deeds relating to the gift of the land to the parish. She visited the allotments with parishioners and parish councillors to view the extent of the encroachment. A letter will be sent to the resident to ask him to remove all his property off the allotments and restore the correct boundary to his property and to repair the existing boundary fence. The parish council gave the resident a period of two months to comply with its request.

MUSIC FESTIVAL - The Parish Council discussed at great length the proposed music festival to be held in Over Wallop. A concerned parishioner contacted the council as the date clashes with the annual church fete. The council reported the matter to Licensing and Planning Enforcement at TVBC who are now dealing with it. TVBC Enforcement confirmed that a change of use for the land will have to be applied for as this is and the barn are for agricultural use. Licences, the environmental impact, car parking and the proposed camp site for the event will also be investigated by TVBC.

POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Mrs Cartwright reported the theft of tools from several allotment sheds; after some confusion this was reported to the police and a crime number was issued.

Mrs Cartwright reported that a meeting to be held on the 28th June 2013 with the new Stockbridge Beat Sergeant to discuss policing in the parish. The parish council are most welcome to attend. Oil thefts are on the increase and residents are encouraged to take precautions to secure their oil tanks. The police have concerns about recent incidents in the George Inn.

FINANCE

The Clerk reported that Paul Reynolds the Internal Auditor has signed off the accounts for the year 1st April 2012 to 31st March 2013 and has not raised any issues. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for keeping such good accounts.

CHEQUES and PAYMENTS ISSUED IN JUNE 2013

Proposed by Cllr J Taylor Firth and seconded by Cllr G Cairns

R N Waterman	Wages	£423.00
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Cedarwood Tree Services	Work June	3350.00
P Reynolds	Audit of Accounts	£560.00
Westcote	Repairs to FSS (divided by 4)	£420.00
Southern Water	Pavilion Water	£3.84
John Taylor Firth	Refreshments AGM	£24.05
L Murray-Twinn	Expenses (HRO)	£25.00
John Francis	Expenses	£25.00
Playsafety Ltd	Play Area Inspection	£78.00
	Total Payments	£1,900.53

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above payments have been deducted

Current Account £ 5,692.48

Premier Interest £ 4,526.04

£10,218.52

PLANNING

13/00916/FULLN - Demolish barn and erection of key worker/affordable dwelling and installation of sewage treatment plant - land adjacent The Warren, Ringwold Drove, Middle Wallop. The Parish Council voted 5 to 3 for a **NO COMMENT** on this application.

13/01008/FULLN - Erection of rear single storey extension and boundary wall - Newton House, Over Wallop.

The Parish Council **SUPPORTED** this planning application.

REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE

Cllr Francis reported that a recent issue with cleaning the pavilion was investigated. It was left in a bad state by the Chestnut Tree Football Team after a friendly game just before a cricket match. The matter has been dealt with.

He reported that another tree had come down at the cricket field and was removed by the cricketers. The cricket season has started. Cllr Francis is to meet with Ken from the Wallop Football Club to list the friendly matches that are held on a Sunday.

Cllr Francis reported that he was in correspondence with Cllr Mr Keith Smith from Grateley Parish Council regarding the youth joining the activities in Over Wallop. A meeting will be arranged to discuss this further.

Cllr Cairns reported that he has been in contact with the tennis coach and is putting together a tennis coaching programme for the summer holidays. Cllr Cairns reported that the netball team are in discussion with the AAC Team with the view of amalgamating.

Cllr Francis reported that a group of ladies from Pound Road are investigating setting up a playgroup/club for the small children at St Peter's Church Hall. A request to the PCC for permission to install another shed for equipment will be made by the residents.

The Clerk reported that Brian Pearce has removed the damaged swing seat and will install the new one when it arrives. Mr Pearce has looked at the goal posts in Evans Close and has identified that one of the sockets has worked loose and needs cementing, the Clerk has asked him to do this.

PARISH HALL

Cllr Taylor Firth reported that the parish hall carpets are due to be cleaned.

FOOTPATHS

OVER WALLOP - Cllr Cairns has removed a fallen tree on Footpath 18. He is investigating a report of a broken stile on one of the footpaths. All the footpaths are clear and passable.

PALESTINE - Cllr Glover reported that the footpaths are passable.

PALESTINE

Cllr Burden reported that nothing has been done to the edges of the Mt Carmel Road, this issue was raised with Cllr Gibson at the previous meeting. The Chairman stated that she will contact Cllr Gibson on this matter.

Cllr Burden reported at a resident questioned the legality of planting trees and placing other obstacles on the verges of Streetway Road. The Clerk was asked to report this to John Clarke at HCC Highways.

Cllr Glover raised the issue of dragons' teeth and large flints on the highway verges throughout the parish. The Chairman stated that the parish council raised this issue several times with Highways in response to a number of complaints. The liability for damage to any person or vehicle lies entirely with the householder who puts obstacles on the verge. The Chairman suggested that an article be placed in the parish magazine.

KENTSBOROUGH

Cllr Gates reported that it has been decided not to install the new notice board until the refurbishment of the Clegg and Booking site has been completed.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk has received a letter from Grateley Parish Council asking that Over Wallop Parish Council pursue the Enforcement Officer to look at the drainage at the new farm track on Streetway Road.

The Chairman reported that the consultation into the traffic calming is on-going, once complete a meeting will be held with all the parties concerned.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Cllr Bye, Grateley thanked Cllr Francis for his work with Cllr Smith on the discussions to include young ones in the youth activities. Cllr Bye reported that Grateley Parish Council now have the data on the station parking, but was unsure of its validity; recording may need to start again. The parking problem is not being helped by the bridge contractor taking up spaces.

A parishioner reported that there is a continuing problem with fly-tipping on the byway in Kentsborough. The Chairman stated that all fly-tipping must be reported immediately to TVBC, who will investigate with the aim to prosecute the offender.

The Parish Council was asked about the settlement boundary line. Full details are available on the TVBC Planning website.

A parishioner asked if a change of use is needed to hold a wedding in a barn on agricultural land. This was discussed and will be referred to TVBC Planning for further advice.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

8th July 2013 in the Parish Hall at 8pm