

Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12th March 2012 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present : Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr T Burden
Cllr Mr G Cairns
Cllr Mr M Glover
Cllr Mr M Hunnibell
Cllr Mr P Benger
Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
Members of the Public - 10

Apologies : Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn - Chairman, Cllr Mr J Francis, County Councillor Mr A Gibson, Mrs R Cartwright NHW and Borough Councillor Mr T Hope.

WELCOME. Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth took the chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Cllr Mr M Glover declared an interest in the Presentation from Mr Richard Greenwood.

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 Cllr Mr T Burden.

PRESENTATION FROM MR RICHARD GREENWOOD.

Cllr Mr M Glover had declared an interest and left the room. Mr Richard Greenwood gave a presentation on the third set of proposals for the Dairy Barns in Over Wallop.

URGENT ITEMS.

Cllr Mr T Burden asked if the Parish Council had received any further information on the withdrawal of the School Bus to Test Valley School from Palestine? The Chairman stated that there was no further news at present however Cllr Mr A Gibson had said at the last meeting that the matter will be discussed at Hampshire County Council and he would keep the Parish Council informed.

The Parish Council agreed that it was bad policy for the children concerned to have their education disrupted by a change of schools because of a technical point involving the distance of the school entrances from the pick up point in Palestine. The chairman agreed to pass this point on to Cllr Gibson.

Cllr Mr P Benger reported that there is a litter problem at the Grateley end of Streetway Road and suggested that this is raised with Grateley Parish Council. The Clerk reported that the matter was raised at the Grateley Parish Council meeting the week before, an additional litter bin is to be installed and a request to the TVBC Clean Up team to visit the area is to be lodged.

Cllr Mr P Benger also reported that muck and straw was at times washed down from the farmer's entrance onto Streetway Road, and then ran down the hill to Wallop Road where it blocked the drain and caused flooding of the Wallop Road. The Clerk reported that the blocked drain on Wallop Road had also been discussed at the Grateley Parish Council meeting. Mr Brian Funnell from Wallop Road reported that Highway Surveyors had recently looked at the drain and surrounding area, taking measurements and

ground readings. The council agreed to review progress on this matter at the next meeting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Cllr Mr M Glover reported that although things are very quiet on the Neighbourhood Watch front the same could not be said for Country Watch. Thefts from farms were on the increase with quad bikes, chainsaws, etc being taken from outbuildings. A bronze memorial statue had been stolen from Middle Wallop Camp several weeks ago.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cheques to be issued in March 2012 - proposed by Cllr T Burden and seconded by Cllr M Hunnibell.

R.N. Waterman	Wages	
£412.50		
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	
£107.75		
Wallop Parish Hall	Hire of hall for meetings	£82.00
TVBC	Election Expenses	
£75.14		

BANK BALANCE - after above cheques have been issued.

Current Account	£267.34
Premier interest	£5,898.82
	<u>£6,166.16</u>

The Clerk reported that TVBC have informed him that additional Section 106 money had recently been paid in by developers in the Parish and that the whole £6,252.65 for the play equipment on the Playing Field is now available for payment. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

PLANNING.

12/00417/FULLN - Extensions and alterations to first floor level to include rear balcony, replacement dormer windows and alterations to chimney.

Alterations to garage and porch roof to provide front canopy. Changes to external materials for roof, walls, windows and doors. Relocation of oil tank, landscaping and alterations to driveway including retaining wall, decking to rear and rendering brick piers (amended scheme) - Heron brook, King Lane, Over Wallop.
The Parish Council SUPPORTED this planning application.

12/00466/FULLN - Erection of summerhouse on site of garden shed - 3 Moulands Row, Station Road, Over Wallop.
The Parish Council SUPPORTED this planning application.

12/00495/TREEN - Carry out various tree works as shown on application - St peters

Church, Station Road, Over Wallop.

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth and Cllr Mr G Cairns reported that they had visited

the site. The Parish Council SUPPORTED this planning application.

CLLR MR A GIBSON

£500 has been received from Cllr Mr A Gibson's devolved budget for ditch clearing. A list of works will be compiled. Cllr Mr M Glover said he would help clear some of the blocked ditches on the B3084.

LEISURE REPORT

The Chairman asked for the Parish Councils approval to purchase 5-a-side goal posts at £480 for the Evans Close field. The Parish Council all agreed to the expenditure.

The planned 'in camera' meeting to discuss the Recreation Ground finances to be held after the meeting had been postponed until after the April Parish Council meeting.

PARISH HALL

Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth reported that the Hall had covered its costs and made an annual profit of over £1000. There are some minor repairs that need to be done and the beech tree in the car park had been trimmed.

FOOTPATHS

Cllr Mr P Bengler reported that he had looked at the Olive Grove BOAT, and had spoken to Mr and Mrs Chapman. Mr Flippance and Mr Ingram had also visited the site. All agreed that clearing this BOAT will be a massive undertaking but it could be done. Cllr Mr Bengler felt that targets would need to be set and a working party organised. He was sure that there are enough people in Palestine with chainsaws etc who would be willing to help. It was pointed out that no major hedge trimming work on the BOAT would be allowed between the end of March and the beginning of September as this is the birds nesting time. This was noted.

Cllr Mr Bengler reported that all the other Palestine Footpaths are clear and walkable.

Cllr Mr G Cairns reported that he has been busy clearing fallen trees on the Over Wallop Footpaths of late. Mr Peter Watson at Rights of Way has been contacted and had agreed to get the brambles cleared from the footpath by Wallop Industries.

Cllr Mr G Cairns reported that he has been approached by a Parishioner complaining about Dog Fouling on the bridle way intersection with Orange Lane and suggesting that the Parish Council install a dog bin. The Parish Council had recently agreed to purchase an extra dog bin and would consider placing it at the suggested point. The Parish Council agreed that dog fouling on the footpaths was on the increase and discussed the problem. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the TVBC Dog Warden to ask for some 'no dog fouling' signs that could be placed on the footpath already mentioned and others. A notice to be put in the Parish News would be considered.

PALESTINE.

Cllr Mr T Burden had nothing to report except that one pot hole has been repaired only for another to appear on the opposite side of the road.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr Middleditch suggested that a surface water drainage system should have been part of part

of the retrospective planning application for the new access to the farm. This would stop the sludge and straw from running down Streetway Road and blocking the drain in Wallop Road. The Parish Council thought this a valid point and will pass his comments onto the Planning Department and Highways.

Mrs Middleditch asked why it was stated at the February Parish Council meeting that the next Parish Council vacancy must be filled by an Over Wallop resident? The Clerk stated that Palestine is a ward on its own with one elected Parish Council representative. TVBC allowed for an additional Palestine resident to join the Parish Council but not as a voting member for Palestine Ward. Cllr Mr P Benger has filled that vacancy when Mr M Cochrane resigned from the Parish Council. The remaining Parish Councillors should come from Over Wallop and had to act as voting members for Over Wallop parishioners.

Mr Tony Macey recommended that the new goal posts for Evans Close should be installed with a full set with nets etc. The Parish Council noted his comments.

Mr T Macey asked if the Recreation Ground Caretaker picked up the litter on the sports field as this was becoming a problem in the area of the MUGA and the hedge. The Chairman reported that the caretaker did do some litter picking and that that this was a matter that would be reviewed along with various aspects of ground maintenance in the near future.

Mr T Macey asked again that the Parish Council look carefully at Tree Planning Applications and actually looked at the trees of all types, noting their position, condition and their standing as part of the landscape. He suggested that decisions should not be left wholly to the Tree Officer based in an urban office. The Chairman stated that this had been noted at an earlier meeting and every effort was being made to look at the trees in the landscape setting when applications were considered.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

16th April 2012 in the Parish Hall at 8pm