

Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 11th November 2013, in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr J Francis
Cllr Mr G Cairns
Cllr Mr M Glover
Cllr Mr B Elliott
Mr Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk
County Cllr Mr A Gibson
Mrs R Cartwright - NHW
Members of the Public - 3

Apologies: Cllr Mrs L Murray-Twinn (Chairman), Cllr Mr G Gates, Cllr Mr T Burden, Cllr Mr P Bye (Chairman Grateley Parish Council) and Borough Cllr Mr T Hope.

WELCOME. The Vice Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Francis declared an interest in the Pavilion and the Parish Hall.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Vice Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Glover and seconded by Cllr Elliott.

URGENT ITEMS

TREES

Evans Close - Cllr Taylor Firth reported that the contractor will return to the site to reduce the stumps to ground level.

Playing Field - Cllr Taylor Firth restated that there are still 5 trees to be felled and that he will get quotes from the same 5 contractors who have quoted before. The work will be done in the next financial year and budgeted for in the next precept.

HIGHWAYS - Cllr Taylor Firth stated that the Parish Council have still not received the report from Hampshire County Council (HCC) on the Traffic Calming Scheme for Salisbury, Station and Old Stockbridge Roads.

The Parish Council will meet with Steve Spender, Keith Thompson and John Clarke from Highways on the 18th November on site. Starting in Palestine and then Over Wallop.

EVANS CLOSE - Cllr Francis gave an update on the boy that was injured at the Evans Close Field. The bone at the tip of his finger had almost been severed however doctors had strapped it to see how it would heal on its own without intervention.

POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Mrs Cartwright had reported that thefts from outbuildings and thefts of heating oil are on the increase and reminded residents about taking security measures. 10,000 litres of red diesel was recently stolen from C A Stevens in Grateley. Poaching is also on the increase.

FINANCE

CHEQUES and PAYMENTS ISSUED IN November 2013

R.N. Waterman	Wages (SO)	£423.00
Mr B Pearce	Village Maintenance	£ 38.00
Cullen Memorial Masons	Clean War Memorial	£200.00
Southern Electric	Pavilion Electricity (SO)	£ 71.73
Cedarwood Tree	Tree Work Playing Field Sept & Oct	£700.00
Services	Insurance (now paid by monthly direct debit)	£188.37
Aviva	Road closure bill (first instalment)	£200.00
TVBC		

Total Payments	£1,821.10
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INCOME

Donation from the Vintage Gathering	£100	
Parish Hall Insurance		<u>£800</u>
		£900

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES

After above payments have been deducted

Current Account	£ 674.34	
Premier Interest	£ 10,000.00	
		<u>£ 10,674.34</u>

Payments proposed by Cllr Cairns and seconded by Cllr Glover.

PLANNING.

13/02359/FULLN - Vehicular access and hard standing in association with proposed solar farm - Sudden Farm, Station Road, Over Wallop.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this planning application.

13/02293/FULLN - Installation of underground high voltage electricity cable - Land at Saxley Farm, Red Rice, Andover.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this planning application.

13/01912/FULLN - Erection of bungalow with access onto King Lane and installation of sewage treatment plant - Rear of Kingsway Stores, Pound Road.

This was a notification of amended plans.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to the amendments.

Proposed by Cllr Francis and seconded by Cllr Glover.

LEISURE COMMITTEE REPORT

Cllr Francis reported that the standard of the grass cutting had been of concern this season. A site meeting is planned to be held with TVBC Contracting early in the new year to iron out these problems before a new contract is signed.

The football season is in full swing and no problems have been reported. Ken Brady, the team manager, is trying a chemical designed for lining football pitches to see how long it lasts as the paint currently used is being washed away. The last fee for the friendly which was played at the sports field was used to buy the last cans of paint. A receipt will be provided in due course.

Tony Macey had moved the tables in the pavilion store so work on the secure storage will now be able to go ahead.

The play equipment has been treated and we have over three tins left for future treating of the equipment. The labour was £40 and the wood preserve cost about £36, a total of £76. This was under half of the original quote received.

Cllr Francis stated that he has received an email from Keith Smith from Grateley about the youth programme and that he intends to speak to him about his plans and the survey he has carried out in Grateley to determine the number and interest for the youth activities.

Cllr Cairns spoke about next years summer activities and suggested expanding the coaching sessions to include other sports and possibly organising something for the Easter holidays. The Parish Council thought this a good idea.

PARISH HALL REPORT

Cllr Taylor Firth reported that there will be a hall committee meeting in late November and that the hall is operating with steady bookings. A weekly theatre workshop, run by the Theatre Royal, Winchester in the hall for junior WASPS had just started.

FOOTPATHS

Cllrs Glover and Cairns reported that the footpaths were walkable. There had been no reports of trees down after the recent storm.

PALESTINE. Nothing to report

KENTSBOROUGH. Nothing to report

POINTS FORM THE FLOOR

Mr Flippance spoke about the postal deliveries in Palestine. He also asked if there would be any financial implications regarding contributions to the Over Wallop Parish Hall if Nether Wallop go ahead for their plans for a new village hall? Cllr Taylor Firth stated that the parishes hall is self funding and therefore Over Wallop and Nether Wallop Parish Councils no longer have to support it financially.

STREET LIGHTS

The Clerk reported that the street light on the corner of Orange/King Lane has been shot at with an air rifle some time ago. The holes made in the cover had allowed water to get in which had caused staining that cannot be cleaned off. Unfortunately this style of lamp is no longer available so a new design will need to be fitted. He stated that Southern Electric are due to visit to discuss the options and the implications for the remaining lights in the parish of the same design. He suggested that the parish should earmark money in the next precept to replace streetlights and the Parish Council agreed to this.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Gibson spoke about the provision of improved Broadband by BT. With the new contract for sports signed that has been in the press and on the television it is imperative that people can view the programmes. Over Wallop is shown as being upgraded in 2015.

Cllr Gibson reported that Lockerly had applied for a lengthy road closure order and he has asked them to provide information on the costs involved so he can compare these with the bill presented to Over Wallop by TVBC.

He also stated that the 40 mph speed reduction for Kentsborough had been approved by HCC and is in the programme of works. Cllr Taylor Firth asked Cllr Gibson if he could hasten HCC Highways to issue the promised report on traffic calming.

Cllr Gibson spoke about the Keep Fit programme that is being rolled out to the rural areas and will contact Cllr Cairns with further information.

Finally, he reported that the grit bins were in the process of being filled.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

Cllr Taylor Firth thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

9th December 2013 in the Parish Hall, Over Wallop at **7.30pm**