

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 10th MARCH 2005
AT 8.00P.M. IN THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs Mrs J. Smith in the Chair, Mr R. Seymour, Mr M. Gerrard,
Mr D. Callaghan, Mrs A. Harris, Mrs C. Dakin
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk (8.30pm)
Mr Nick Phillips – Property Manager, The National Trust

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE ACCEPTED FROM:
Cllr F. Downes

TO DECLARE ANY PECUNIARY, NON-PECUNIARY, PERSONAL OR PRIVATE
INTERESTS: Cllr Mrs Dakin declared a personal interest re 23 Copperfields

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF THE FEBRUARY PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

These were agreed by those Councillors present and signed by the Chairman

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Clerk and Cllr Gerrard met up with Conservation Officers from Bucks, Berks and Oxon and showed them around the Church, Church Room, the Clock and the Village. Cllr Mrs Smith and the Clerk attended a meeting on Rider on Call.

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

104.1 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM 11TH FEBRUARY – 10th MARCH

1. Letter and plan from BCC re the pre-signals at The Pedestal – due to time scale response has been sent.
2. Email from Christine Hathaway re issues in West Wycombe Hill Road – replied to and passed on to Nick Phillips.
3. Certificates from WDALC from the Finance Training and Planning Training
4. The Play Service – information
5. Standards Board – Consultation on the Standards Code
6. Confederation of Burial Authorities – Seminar on 12 & 13 May
7. Thames & Chilterns in Bloom Association – Britain in Bloom, passed to Cllr Mrs Harris and Nick Phillips – we will consider it.
8. News of the Woods Newsletter – passed to Nick Phillips
9. Email from Ailsa Harrison, Wycombe Primary Care Trust
10. Letter from Mr & Mrs Major re Hornbeams in West Wycombe Park – pass to Neil Harris at The National Trust.
11. Subscription renewal for BALC at £119.12, agreed for payment in April
12. Information on a new government website – info4local.gov.uk
13. NALC Conference details – 23 – 25th September, Eastbourne
14. Chiltern Society – letter about Rights of Way
15. BCC Wycombe Local Committee – letter about a Parish Question Time – questions to be sent in by 13th April; Local Maintenance Scheme – a request for feedback on the proposals by 17th March – questions on High Street pavements, West Wycombe Lighting and 107.4 Mix signs will be forwarded.
16. The Wycombe Partnership – 7th April, The Hub, Easton Street - places need to be booked by 14th March – Cllrs Smith and Callaghan and Neil Timberlake.
17. Best Kept Village Competition – we will see how we get on with Britain in Bloom and make a decision for another year.

18. Priorities Newsletter

104.2 PLANNING

SFB/05/05044/FUL – 8 Chapel Lane – constr of single storey rear extension, rear dormer window & conversion to form 4 x 1 bed flats – withdrawn

VJB/05/05428/FUL – 8 Chapel Lane -Objection to the change of the streetscape and feel that this is another way of creating a property for multi occupation which we objected to in the previous and now withdrawn application.

VJB/05/05235/FUL – 23 Copperfields – erection of wall and gate to enclose the front entrance of the house – comments that other gardens have hedges and shrubs and a wall would be out of keepings and encourage other residents to erect a diverse range of walls and fences.

104.3 BURIAL GROUND – to discuss future plans for parking

The Clerk advised the parish Council that there is a need to increase our car parking capacity for the burial ground, this has been observed at several funerals and it has been noted that pall bearers now arrive separately in their own cars, which can increase the parking requirements by up to 6 spaces. The Clerk and Cllr Seymour are having a meeting with WDC Planning to discuss the possibilities.

Gates will be installed during the week beginning 28th March.

104.4 SOUTH EAST REGIONAL PLAN – to receive information, discuss and provide a response to the consultation document.

National Trust will be raising many concerns over infrastructure. Cllr Callaghan and the Clerk had attended the recent meeting and raised the subject of the A4010. SEERA tried to tell us that there is no problem and that they have no plans to create a better road network to cater for the extra houses built to the North of the County. Our comments will reflect our views on this issue.

104.5 PARISH PLAN - update

Youth version, adult and village users version have been worked out. Clerk will help with organising printing.

104.6 REPORT ON HIGHWAYS, LIGHTING AND FOOTPATHS – including a report on the Rider on Call Service

The Clerk has responded to BCC regarding the proposed pre-signals on the A40 stating that this Parish Councils feels they are unnecessary and will aggravate traffic flow and pollution in the village.

The meeting on Rider on Call showed that 90% of the usage was to High Wycombe and that the early and late routes to Saunderton Station were not viable. A new timetable is being issued on 11th April. BCC staff will come out to help publicise it at coffee mornings, library, WI.

Meeting on March 16th re the Molins site – members and National Trust will attend.

Next Local Area Committee Meeting - 6pm, 20th April, The Hub, Easton Street

104.7 TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR MARCH AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES

Cheques and standing orders were approved for BCC, Mrs S. Henson,

Cllr Callaghan

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

104.8 MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Harris reported that the school have asked Cllr Downes to investigate the salt route for the school and grit bins. The Clerk has spoken to Cllr Downes and Cllr Harris on this issue. It is felt that as the school is owned/run by BCC then they should/must have policies in place for this issue.

The Clerk will investigate parking outside the Pedestal field on football days.

The Clerk will try to set up a meeting with the Scout Association, National Trust, the police and residents close to the Scout Hut.

104.9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 14th April in The Church Room at 8pm

There being no other business; the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.10pm