

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8th JANUARY 2009
AT 8.00 PM. IN THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs Mrs V. Smith, Chairman, Mr F. Downes, Mr N. Timberlake,
Mr D. Callaghan (from 8.05pm), Mrs C. Dakin, Mrs A Harris
Mr N. Phillips – The National Trust Mrs S. Henson - Clerk

6 members of the public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE ACCEPTED FROM:

Cllr Mr R. Seymour, Dist Cllrs Mrs J. Teesdale, Dist Cllr I. McEnnis

TO DECLARE ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS: None declared

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING

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

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Due to the Christmas break there was nothing further to report

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

147.1 Correspondence received from 12th December 2008 –8th January 2009

1. WDC refund of electricity costs for air pollution monitor
2. Thank you notes from Mrs Clark and Mr and Mrs Hardwick
3. West Wycombe Schools Emergency Plan
4. WDC Invitation to Play Partnership Meeting on 3rd February at 18.10 in Committee Room 1
5. Thank you letter from Air Ambulance for our recent donation
6. Lawrence Landscapes – prices
7. Bucks Community Action – Sustainable Communities Strategy – A Rural perspective
8. Communities and Local Government – A consultation on Communities in Control – code of recommended practice on local authority publicity
9. Local Council Review
10. Wycombe Community Safety Partnership Newsletter
11. In Focus Magazine
12. South West Chilterns & Marlow Area Newsletter
13. WDC Standards Committee Agenda
14. South West Chilterns & Marlow Area Agenda for meeting on 15th January -
.Cllrs Callaghan and Downes will attend.
15. Letter from BCC re bollards at Copperfields – no action can or will be taken.
16. Timetable for the shuttle bus between Wycombe and Stoke Mandeville Hospital

147.2 PLANNING

Application

AC/08/07729/CTREE – Silver Birches, Church Lane – cut back by 1.5m from telephone lines to 3 silver birches in front garden and crown reduce by 20% to 1 silver birch in rear garden – no objection

Decisions

MJD/08/07533/FUL – land rear of 10 Beechwood Road – erection of 1 x 2 bed bungalow and detached garage with alterations to existing access, demolition of existing garage and erection of new detached garage with creation of parking space for no 10 Beechwood Road (amended scheme to pp 08/05474/FUL) construction of single storey front extension and insertion of front bay window in connection with a garage conversion – permitted

147.3 Finance -To agree to pay the Clerk's Working from Home Allowance
It was resolved to pay the allowance.

- 147.4 Burial Ground: To agree to place an order for tree works and fencing
It was resolved to place an order for the works at a cost of £224.
- 147.5 Highways issues which need reporting or acting upon including clearing of Cutty Alley
It was agreed to place an order for clearing Cutty Alley.
Cllr Downes asked if we had any particular issues on road gritting – this Parish is well served on the main roads but accept that the side roads are not gritted due to cost implications.
Lights no 10,11 and 26 have been reported as not working.
There are potholes in Church Lane leading to St Lawrence and on the Garden Centre side of the triangle.
Cllr Mrs Dakin put forward a resident's suggestion for alternative parking.
Councillors had a discussion on possible options for creating extra parking in the village. We will write to BCC asking for a view on one suggestion.
- 147.6 To approve the accounts for January 09 and signing of Cheques
Standing Orders for Mrs S. Henson and Bucks County Council;
Mrs Henson (Working from Home Allowance and back pay, Southern Electric, Mrs C. Dakin (expenses), Southern Electric Contracting, Old People's Christmas Party, West Wycombe Community Association and West Wycombe Community Library
It was resolved to approve the accounts for payment.
- 147.7 Matters Raised by Councillors
Cllr Timberlake reported that he had tried to attend the recent JCC meeting but had been unable to gain access to the building where the meeting was taking place.
Cllr Callaghan reported that signs on the bus stops re the change of timetable are misleading. Clerk and Cllr Downes will contact BCC
Cllr Mrs Smith reported that there is no area in the Eden library foyer for putting up Notices of local events. Cllr Downes will raise the issue.
Cllr Mrs Harris reported that new planning legislation is being implemented very quickly according to a recent newspaper report.
Cllr Mrs Dakin asked if S106 money could be applied for education. This is not an option however the LEADER Fund may be a source of funding.
- 147.8 Date of next meeting
Thursday 12th February 2009 at 8pm in The Church Room.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 1.1.2009

Opening balance as at 1.12.08	8383.76
Plus refund on telephone from HPC & PWE PC	75.54
Plus WDC refund on electricity	381.44
Less December cheques	1442.34
Closing balance	7398.40
Business Premium Account balance as at 31.12.08	131.33
Bank of Ireland Account as at 31.12.08	16600.88
Total Funds	24130.61
<u>Accounts to be paid in January</u>	
Mrs S Henson (s/o)	554.00
Mrs S Henson (Working from Home and back pay)	620.24
Mrs C. Dakin – expenses	17.80
BCC School Crossing Patrol	129.06
Southern Electric Contracting – lighting maintenance	673.29
Old People's Christmas Party (s/o)	100.00
West Wycombe Community Association	2000.00 (B of I)
West Wycombe Community Library	1000.00 (B of I)
Southern Electric (dd) – lighting energy	465.29
Total	5559.68