

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 14th MAY 2009
AT 8.00 PM. IN THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs Mrs V. Smith, Chairman, Cllr Mr R. Seymour, Mr N. Timberlake,
Mr D. Callaghan, Mr F. Downes, Mrs C. Dakin, Mrs A. Harris
Mr. N. Harris, The National Trust
District Cllr I. McEnnis
Mrs S. Henson - Clerk

5 members of the public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE ACCEPTED FROM:
Dist Cllrs Mrs J. Teesdale

TO DECLARE ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

Cllr Seymour declared a personal interest in the planning application for 50 Chorley Road as he is known to the applicant.

Cllr Downes declared a personal interest in the item relating the Pedestal Playing Field due to its proximity to his property

Mr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in the planning application for 14 High Street as the application is from The National Trust.

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

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

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

All issues are agenda items.

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

151.1 Correspondence received from 10th April 14th May 2009

1. Comparison insurance quote from Norwich Union - £996.26, Allianz £1172.07 – as we have made a claim in the past four years we will remain with Allianz for one more year.
2. Chiltern Views Newsletter & Chilterns Commons Newsletter
3. Revised inventory from Southern Electric Contracting – this has increased our quarterly electricity bill by £180.
4. Notification that there is a new Charles Arnold Baker out - £67.00
5. Signed lease for retention from West Wycombe Estate
6. WDC Statement re land at Saunderton being used by travellers.
7. Pathfinder newsletter No 12 – issued by email – hard copy Cllr Seymour
8. War Memorials Trust – notification of a training course in order to obtain grants - 15th July, 10.30 – 1pm – Aylesbury Civic Centre.
9. War memorials Trust Newsletter
10. Email from a resident of Cookshall Lane asking about the Pedestal Playing Field.
11. Minutes of the NAG meeting held on Tuesday 12th May

151.2 PLANNING

Applications

AD/09/05715/FUL – 50 Chorley Road – householder application for erection of front entrance porch – no objection

09/05832/FUL – 14 High Street , West Wycombe – change of use of part of ground floor from business use to residential use – no objection

09/05789/FUL – 385 West Wycombe Road – single storey rear extension to lower ground floor – no objection

Decisions

GMG/09/05497/FUL – 1 Woodview Close – construction of single storey front and single storey rear extensions – permit

DBL/08/05160/FUL – 395 West Wycombe Road – demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new building to form 6 x 1 bed flats with car parking, bin store and cycle store – permit

151.3 To discuss the Development and Management of Allotments in the Parish

The Allotment Software package has arrived.

Cllr Seymour and the Clerk have met with the potential allotment tenants and allocated plots to everyone who made a request. Tenants have copies of the Rules & Regulations and all said they were happy with them. They now have to return their agreement forms.

We have a price for weed killer spraying (£90), chisel ploughing and disc ploughing (£200) the land from Mr Stocks - It was resolved to place an order to get the work completed as soon as possible. It was resolved to place an order to have the rear fence erected at a cost of £540 and to place an order to join the National Society of Allotment & leisure Gardeners at a price of £55.

151.3 To discuss the management of the Pedestal Playing Field

The fencing work has started. We have had a site visit with Neil Harris of The National Trust who will produce a report on the trees and their management.

The grass needs cutting. Mr Peter Ansell has been contacted. There are six rotten posts in the front fence and these need replacing as well as removing the top strand of barbed wire. We need to put in a new pedestrian gate.

We will consider organising a Community Fun Day. It was resolved to allow Cllr Seymour and the Clerk to spend £1,500 without getting further permission from the Parish Council.

151.4 Highways issues which need reporting or acting upon

BCC has confirmed that planing and patching will take place for Church Lane from the junction of the lane to the top of the hill

We now have 8 street lights not working and BCC has promised to have them repaired as soon as they have a stock of the appropriate bulbs.

The Clerk will obtain up to date prices for spraying weed killer on the highway
We have had a problem with cars being sold on the highway at Beechwood Road and it has been reported to WDC Waste and Cleansing, Environmental Health and Thames Valley Police

151.5 To discuss any issues raised at the Annual Parish Meeting and to discuss the Annual Report

No matters were raised.

The Annual Report will be issued with the June Contact.

151.6 To approve the accounts for May 09 and signing of Cheques

Standing Orders for Mrs S. Henson and Bucks County Council; Mrs Henson; Henmans; RBS Solutions; WDALC; Temple Knight; Elizabeth Stillman ;Allianz Insurance

It was resolved to approve the accounts for payment.

151.7 To approve the Internal Auditors report and to complete the external auditors Annual Return

The internal auditor had not completed the report in time for the meeting and it will be discussed at the June meeting.

151.8 Matters Raised by Councillors

Cllr Downes reported concerns about speeding.

151.9 Date of next meeting

11th June at 8pm in The Church Room, West Wycombe

There being no other business to conduct the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 1.5.2009

Opening balance as at 1.4.09	2394.70
Less April cheques	4374.03
Plus Precept	15000.00
Closing balance	13020.67
Business Premium Account balance as at 31.03.09	131.36
Bank of Ireland Account as at 30.4.09	13641.75
Total Funds	26793.78

Accounts to be paid in May

Mrs S Henson (s/o)	554.00
Mrs S Henson expenses – refreshments, photocopying etc	100.16
BCC School Crossing Patrol	129.06
Temple Knight plc (photocopier repair)	387.21
Elizabeth Stillman (Pedestal & Cutty Alley)	60.00
WDALC subs	4.00
Henmans (Pedestal legal fees)	1092.50
RBS Software Solutions	430.10
Allianz Insurance	1172.07
Total	3929.10