

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY
8th DECEMBER 2011 AT 8.00 PM
IN THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs Mrs V. Smith, Mr R. Seymour, Mrs C. Dakin, Mr N. Harris,
Mr D. Callaghan, Mr N. Timberlake Mrs S. Henson - Clerk

3 members of the public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE ACCEPTED FROM:
Cllr Mr F. Downes, Dist Cllr Mrs J. Teesdale, Dist Cllr I. McEnnis

TO DECLARE ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS: None declared

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING

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

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. We have one rent outstanding and the tenant has been given one months notice to quit on 1st January
2. We have had one private burial of ashes.
3. VAS signs along Bradenham Road are set at 44mph (speed limit plus 10%)
4. We have received the final cheque for the Fete.
5. We are still waiting for the VAS sign at the entrance to the village to be operational.
6. The Chairman and Clerk attended the BRAG Conference where they attended a workshop on the localism Bill.

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

179.1 Correspondence received from 10th November – 7th December 2011

1. WDC letter asking for our precept request during January and the tax base
2. BCC Transport for Bucks Service Centre information
3. Chiltern News magazine
4. Thank you letter and acknowledgement for a poppy wreath for future years from Royal British Legion.
5. BCC CD on Minerals and Waste Core Strategy Development Plan Document submission.
6. Localism Bill received Royal Assent on 15th November – copies of a simplified version are available.
7. BCC notification that Cookshall Lane will be closed for one day on 29th February for National Gas Grid works.
8. BCC notification of Crimestopper Burglary Campaign cards – 100 cards for £25 plus pp for 100.
9. Email from BCC re the bus service – issued to all Councillors.
10. WDC Review of polling districts and places

179.2 Planning

Application

None received

Decisions

11/07220/FUL - 6 Chapel Lane - Householder application for the construction of a single storey rear extension, loft conversion including 2 rear dormers and new roof over annexe – permit

11/07145/FUL - 316 West Wycombe Road - Erection of 5 x 4 metre high CCTV posts – permit

11/07259/FUL – 43 Copperfields – householder application for the construction of a part 2 storey part single storey side extension – permit

11/06938/FUL -316 West Wycombe Road - Construction of single storey side extension and creation of first floor office space to existing office building – permit.

11/07474/CTREE - Cave Cottage, Church Lane -Remove 2 x decaying branches from one Judas Tree (T1) – not to make a TPO

11/07408/TPO - Stable Cottages, West Wycombe Park - Remove dead wood, reduce by 15% to contain at previous points of pruning, 1-2 m reduction of lateral and apical growth to 1 x Lime tree (T1); Reduce all round 25% to promote reactive growth and more compact form, 2 m reduction approx of apical and lateral growth to 2 x Yew trees (T2); sectional fell 2 x Horse Chestnut trees (tag no 7074 and tag no 7073) – permit

179.3 To discuss the progression of the Parish Plan

We have received one definite offer of help for the Parish Plan, however two other people have offered general help and may join in on this project . First meeting – 21st February at 7.30. Clerk and Councillors will contact volunteers.

179.4 Highways issues which need reporting or acting upon

BCC has completed the white lining, installed the bollards at The Pedestal and repaired the granite sett by the Pedestal monument.

BCC has carried out the majority of outstanding work. We now have a new Area technician and the Clerk went round the parish with him showing him all the issues, grips, lights, footpaths.etc. Still waiting for VAS sign to be connected and the bollards at Bradenham Railway bridge footway to be installed.

The Clerk will write to BCC about illegal signs and the process involved. The Clerk will remind WDC about the Gerrard Court signs.

179.5 To discuss the budget for 2012/2013 and to set the precept

The Clerk had issued a suggested budget for 2012/2013 prior to the meeting. The tax base which will be £550.12 making it £68.17 per Band D property with a precept of £37,500 – a reduction of 70p on the current year. The budget was accepted and it was resolved to set a precept of £37,500

179.6 To approve the accounts for December 2011: Signing Cheques;

See financial statement at end of Minutes. It was resolved to accept the accounts.

179.6 Members Questions

Councillors stated how good the Festive Fayre had been. Clerk will investigate the process and costs of a TRO for a road closure.

Cllr Callaghan was thanked for his work on the school quiz.

179.7 Date of Next meeting

Thursday 12th January 2012 in The Church Room at 8pm

There being no other business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm and invited everyone to join the Councillors with coffee and mince pies.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 1.12.2011

Opening balance as at 1.11.11	23074.23
Less November s/o,d/d and cheques	1713.50
Plus allotment rents	42.00
Plus ashes fee - Lynch	175.00
Plus Clairabella – fete	160.00
Refund of cancelled cheque to St Lawrence PCC	120.00
Closing balance as at 31.11.2011	21857.73
Business Premium Account balance as at 30.9.11	932.85
Bank of Ireland Account as at 30.9.11	1130.79
Total funds	23921.37

Accounts to be paid in December

Mrs S Henson	517.99
Bucks County Council	153.46
Peter Ansell 9/12	176.00
Staples	41.99
Complete Tree services	216.00
Thames Water	5.24
BT dd	294.76
SLCC Subs 1/3	46.67
WDALC Training	10.00
Southern Electric dd	19.41
Mrs S Henson expenses and Christmas thank you gifts	81.30
Southern Electric – November lighting	140.05
Elizabeth Stillman – Pedestal area maintenance – annual	120.00
Total	1822.87