

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY
12th JANUARY 2012 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, Mr F. Downes
Mrs S. Henson – Clerk Mrs K. Cheshire and Mrs L. Cook
2 members of the public

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Cheshire and Mrs Cook to the Parish Council who will sit as non voting members.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE ACCEPTED FROM:
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 DECEMBER PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING

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

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. All non working street lights have been reported to BCC
2. The Clerk has left a message re the School Allotment. We have 6 people on our waiting list. It is hoped we can offer number 15 to a tenant next week and will try to get a definitive answer re the School.
3. The National Trust and the Clerk removed the Christmas tree on January 6th.
4. Clerk has written to a resident of Bradenham Road re parking on the pavement.

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

180.1 Correspondence received from 8th December – 12th January 2012

1. WDALC Minutes
2. BCC Local Area Forum Minutes
3. Response to questions on the Localism Bill raised at the WDALC training session
4. BCC advice on the Development of Youth Engagement with Parishes.
5. Received a donation of £72.50 from Mrs Smith from the New Years Day Walk – to go to the Pedestal Play Area
6. Received a cheque for £325 from Mrs Kendall from the Village Hall element of the Festival Fayre towards the Pedestal Play Area.
7. Information on the revised bus routes
8. CPRE Planning booklet
9. BCC Information on street closures and Diamond Jubilee/Olympic parties
10. Information on West Wycombe Women's Institute
11. Brocklehurst Architects brief report on the Pedestal Pavilion

180.2 Planning

GG/11/07904/CDN – 316 West Wycombe Road – variation of condition 1 of planning approval ref 11/05521/Ful to alter the position of the laurel hedge – we strongly object as the hedge would absolutely ensure that this area cannot be used as a vehicle access. The hedge helps to improve the street scene and was one of the conditions we insisted upon when not objecting to other elements of all the other previous planning applications.

180.3 Highways issues which need reporting or acting upon

Various potholes in the parish – they have all been reported, some do not come into the correct category for repair. We have reminded our Area Technician of work required in particular the bollards at the bottom of the railway bridge. Clerk will write to Peter Hardy at Bucks CC.

180.4 To approve the accounts for January 2012: Signing Cheques:
See financial statement at end of Minutes. It was resolved to accept the accounts.
Prior to the meeting the Clerk had issued an expenditure against budget spreadsheet covering the period to the end of December 2011

180.5 Members Questions

1. Cllr Harris will be writing to all the local businesses and organisations about the proposal for a fete on July 14th. First meeting on February 6th at The Church Room.
2. Cllr Harris will complete the forms for a beacon on the Diamond Jubilee. We will also look at supplementing the trees at the bottom of the avenue on the hill as part of the commemoration for the parish
3. Cllr Mrs Dakin reported that the vehicle access to the Pedestal Playing Field is extremely muddy.
4. Mrs Cook reported a large amount of dog faeces by the swings.
5. Cllr Downes reported on the function of Bucks Business First and asked if the Parish Council could help with finding out what local businesses need.
6. Cllr Mrs Smith reported the mess at the recycling bins at Plant & Harvest
7. The Clerk issued all Councillors with a two risk assessment documents and an asset register for consideration prior to the February meeting.
8. The Clerk reported that the fibre optic Virgin broadband service which is currently being upgraded will not be functioning proper possibly until the end of January. The only way the Clerk can function properly is to bring forward the purchase of the laptop as this will enable her to work from another point in her house on another broadband system.
9. The Clerk will book the Church Room for Feb 6th and Feb 21st

180.6 Date of Next meeting

Thursday 9th February 2012 in The Church Room at 8pm

There being no other business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 1.1.2012

Opening balance as at 1.12.11	21857.73
Less December s/o,d/d and cheques	1822.87
Plus Southern Electric refund	308.20
Plus refund on tel bill and paper HPC & PWEPC	156.34
Closing balance as at 31.12.2011	20499.40
Business Premium Account balance as at 30.9.11	932.97
Bank of Ireland Account as at 30.9.11	1130.79
Total funds	22563.23

Accounts to be paid in January

Mrs S Henson- salary & 59.83 hrs o/time & £15.38per hr	1238.20 (s/o,cheque)
Bucks County Council	153.46
HMRC	283.90
Peter Ansell 10/12	176.00
Mrs S Henson – refund on toner 40%	72.96
Old Folks Christmas Party s/o	100.00
Mhp – annual office charge, energy, storage, b/band	600.00
Southern Electric Contracting	897.24
Southern Electricity- energy	153.71
WDC – burial ground bin	29.56
Total	3705.03