

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY
15th JULY 2010 AT 8.00 PM.
IN THE CHURCH ROOM, WEST WYCOMBE

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs Mrs V. Smith, Chairman, Mr R. Seymour, Mr D. Callaghan,
Mr F. Downes, Mr N. Timberlake, Mrs C. Dakin, Mr N. Harris Mrs S. Henson - Clerk
Dist Cllr Mrs Teesdale

3 members of the public

TO CO-OPT MR NEIL HARRIS AS A PARISH COUNCILLOR

It was resolved to co-opt Mr Neil Harris as a Parish Councillor and he duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE ACCEPTED FROM: Dist Cllr McEnnis

TO DECLARE ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS: Cllrs Mrs Smith and Mr Seymour declared a prejudicial interest in the item relating to the Village Hall.

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE JUNE PARISH COUNCIL

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

REPORT ON PROGRESS ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. The Clerk has chased BCC re issues raised on hedges and lighting in the parish. All potholes and loose kerb stones have been reported.
2. The Clerk attended the WDALC meeting where time was spent on the HS2 project and rural transport schemes.

MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS
MEETING REOPENED

164.1 Correspondence received from 11th June – 8th July 2010

1. WDC Notification that we can co-opt a Parish Councillor.
2. Email from Neil Harris stating that he would like to be considered as a Parish Councillor.
3. Notification that the play equipment will be installed the week beginning 16th August.
4. BCC request for a meeting to discuss highways issues.
5. BCC Local Priorities budget request
6. BCC – advertising the 'Are you Ready booklet' designed to prepare residents for emergencies – the Clerk has asked if we can have copies.
7. Playingfield magazine – passed to Cllr Seymour
8. Special Trees and Wood of the Chilterns Newsletter
9. WDC Local Development framework document – Clerk has highlighted interesting and relevant sections and started the document on circulation
10. Emails from our allotment holders in response to the Clerk's email about a water supply for the allotments. So far 11 out of 24 have responded and 10 of the 11 would pay for water. The Clerk has been investigating a seasonal water supply option (June to October) which would be cheaper in the short term but we would have to purchase a stand pipe and put it up and take it down on a daily basis. The Clerk has also been investigating other parish's supply of water to allotments.
11. BCC notice of pavement closure outside numbers 24/25 High Street for works to the properties.
12. WDC policy statement review on the 2003 Licensing Act – any comments to be received by 4th October
13. WDC Wycombe Community Stadium Project – progress statement from the project officer
14. BCC Walk your Local Paths Initiative
15. Community Impact Bucks – Bucks Directory for Local & Rural Services

164.2 Planning

VJB/10/06270/FUL – 5 Bradenham Road – construction of two storey side extension extending over the existing ground floor addition and single storey rear extension – we believe that this would now make the property 100% larger than the original building and this would therefore breach the 50% rule. We have no objection to the general design.

AD/10/06286/FUL – 17 Beechwood Road – construction of single storey side extension – no objection.

164.3 To agree to make a contribution towards works at the Plant & Harvest Garden Centre Car Park to improve the drainage in the recycling area.

WDC have presented a proposal to create a concrete hard standing and French drains at the recycling bins. The total cost will be approximately £1450. WDC are asking if we can help with costs. The Clerk has advised them that this would not be possible in this financial year but possibly 2011/2012. WDC has accepted this and say that they would be prepared to carry out the work and let us pay towards it at a later date. The Clerk has presented the idea to Sir Edward who has no concerns and is happy for the work to take place. West Wycombe Estate will advise Plant and Harvest of the proposal. It was resolved to give £450 to the project from the 2011/2012 precept.

164.4 To consider making a donation of £100 to the Thames Valley and Chiltern Air Ambulance Service

It was resolved to make an initial donation of £100 and a further donation would be considered later in the financial year

164.5 Highways issues which need reporting or acting upon

Pothole in the main road near the entrance to West Wycombe Park
Cllr Downes reported that a petition had been submitted by Mr Heyday for a 20mph speed limit and a roundabout at the Chorley Road junction. This will be submitted to BCC at their next meeting. These ideas are similar to those of the Parish Council which have been discussed in the past.

Cllr Downes has received an email from a resident asking if HGV's could be banned from the High Street by changing SAT NAV routes.

It was agreed that we would have the trees, which have suddenly appeared in the parish, removed.

We will write to Network Rail and ask BCC to contact them as their vehicles are damaging the footway by the railway bridge.

Cllr Downes stated we should be pushing BCC for the Winter Maintenance decisions. Cllr Downes will chase BCC.

Cllr Downes asked if we could investigate taking on delegated powers to maintain pavements.

164.6 To discuss the West Wycombe Fete and place an order for St John Ambulance

To book St John Ambulance with 2 members of staff and a vehicle from 11.30 – 4.30pm will cost £127.50. It was resolved to place the order.

We have the promise, so far of three tug of war teams. The Clerk has produced a flyer for the school and Pre School to advertise the plate garden competition and the funny animal made from vegetables.

Claireabella, a shop in Wycombe, set up by local residents has asked if they could have 7 stalls at the fete. The Clerk has approached Troutts the Butchers re a BBQ.

The committee will meet on Monday 19th July at 7.30pm.

164.7 To approve the accounts for July 2010: Signing Cheques:

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

164.8 To discuss a resident's complaint about late night noise at Village Hall events
Cllrs Mrs Smith and Mr Seymour left the room. Cllr Timberlake took the Chair. .
The Clerk reported that she had been in correspondence with the complainant who understood why the matter had not been addressed at the previous meeting. He is unable to attend due to his working hours. Councillors agreed a response which covered suggested recommendations for the Community Association to follow in order to minimise any late night noise and the effect it has on local residents.

164.9 Matters Raised by Councillors

Cllr Timberlake and the other Councillors thanked The National Trust for organising the Meet your Neighbour event in West Wycombe Park.
Cllr Timberlake reported that West Wycombe Community Library is entering into a twinning arrangement with a community library in Waterloo, Sierra Leone.

164.10 Date of Next meeting

Thursday 9th September at 8pm in The Church Room West Wycombe.
There being no other business to conduct the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25 pm

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 1.7.2010

Opening balance	15953.55
Allotment rent – Heggie, Head Anderson	12.00
Less June s/o,dd and cheques	3822.44
Closing balance as at 30.6.2010	12143.11
Business Premium Account balance as at 30.6.10	3131.84
Bank of Ireland Account as at 07.6.10	11372.64
Total funds	26647.59

Accounts to be paid in July

Mrs S Henson (s/o)	511.54
BCC Pension	153.46
Tax & NI	11.52
WDC – Burial Ground refuse collection	28.94
Lawrence Landscapes ¼	787.25
Southern Electric – dd	480.29
Southern Electric Contracting	917.05
Peter Ansell – Pedestal Maintenance 3/12	136.00
Mrs J.P Smith – Chairman's Allowance	150.00
Thames Valley & Chilterns Air Ambulance	100.00
Total	3276.05