

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 13th August 2008

Present	Vernon Miners (VM) Chair Paul Humphrey (PH)	David Cooper (DC) Melissa Fletcher (MF)	Sue Hill (SH)
51. Apologies	– Peter Lemaire (PL), Theresa Redgewell (TR)		
52. Declarations of interest	– None		
	DC informed council he now had an official position with the Watercress Beds and needed to declare this to District Council		
			DC
53. Minutes of last meeting	–		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – All agreed they were an accurate representation.		
54. Matters arising	– to be reported under relevant sections.		
	a) Anti vandal paint -		SH
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – SH to order a warning sign		
	b) Parish plan –		ALL
	<u>RESOLVED</u> - all to send comments to B Smailes		
	c) Pool clearing –		VM
	<u>RESOLVED</u> - VM to send SH invoice for skip hire		
	d) Free trees –		PH
	<u>RESOLVED</u> - PH to ask school whether they would be interested in looking after some trees.		
	e) Smoking shelter at pub –		SH
	<u>RESOLVED</u> - since a resident had reported this SH to report to SODC.		
	f) Affordable housing		SH
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – to go on agenda in future		
55. Hall – adjacent land ownership	–		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – PL to meet with Jays and Dee Rosier (representing the Village Hall Management Committee) to take forward this issue and ensure that the boundaries are clearly stated on both sets of deeds. All councillors agreed that this needs sorting urgently.		
			PL
56. Project Money	–		
	PH proposed that a list of possible projects be drawn up and guidelines be prepared for allocation of some of project money to local groups. Village shop, speeding/traffic and expansion of car park were all felt to be needy issues. Possible £1000 left for local groups.		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – All agreed.		
			SH
57. RAF	–		
	TR had emailed comments from RAF including offer of a limited number of flights.		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – Noted. TR to seek clarification and agree plan of action.		
			TR
58. State of Roads/Buses	–		
	(a) DC reported that junction of Pytalls and Cottesmore floods badly when it rains, also that bus stop in Green Lane needs attention (flag had dropped)		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – SH to follow up.		
	(b) Parking signs in village – OCC had responded and were not prepared to alter fingerposts. P signs could be used.		SH
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – Councillors not generally in favour of the P signs as these urbanise the village. DC to look at suitable sites if small P signs could be used.		
	(c) Bushes along between Chaucer Court and Cat Lane/Parson's Lane junction needed trimming back.		DC
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – SH to follow up		
			SH
59. Play area/pavillion	–		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – SH to send invoices to Ewelme CC and Horticultural Society for the bank holiday weekend booking.		
			SH
60. Common	–		
	(a) Car park – MF was awaiting response from Church contact.		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – Noted.		
	(b) Stiles on common – Deadline 15 December for grant application. Quotes being sought.		
	<u>RESOLVED</u> – Noted. MF to contact Peter Harden.		
			MF/SH
61. Parish Plan	– Nothing to report		
62. Health & Safety	– Nothing to report		

new treasurer.

RESOLVED - noted

64. Planning –

(a) The Hyde (P08/W0796) - demolition of shed and erection of replacement.

RESOLVED – approved

(b) The Old Post Office (P08/W0811) - Erection of rear porch and store.

Replacement of flat roof with pitched roof.

RESOLVED – approved

(c) Down Farm - Amended application.

RESOLVED - Approved between meetings due to deadline.

The following application had been approved by SODC:

The Hermitage, High St (P08/W0484) - First floor extension to bungalow to provide first floor accommodation and 2 storey rear extension.

65. County/District Councillor's reports-

Tony Crabbe – sent apologies

Sue Cooper – DC gave a brief report on changes to management due to combining South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Management teams; new arts centre "Cornerstone" to open in Didcot.

66. Correspondence –

Councillors informed ahead of items not for discussion:

SODC - Combining SODC and Vale of White Horse waste collection and street cleaning services, then their senior management.

SODC - Housing needs survey sent to limited group

Items discussed under relevant sections: None

Items for discussion:

Dial-a-Ride service review

RESOLVED – DC to draft response and to talk to Dee Rosier re usage by elderly.

Consultations, Councillors to comment on as they wish:

SEERA - The South East Plan, summary of changes to draft plan.

OCC - Partial review of RPG9 and draft South East plan

Chiltern Conservation Board - Consultation draft management plan 2008-2013.

67. Accounts & Administration –

a) New income and expenditure, cheques signed as per the form attached to minutes for councillors.

RESOLVED - All invoices paid to date.

b) SH presented the monthly financial report.

RESOLVED – report noted.

c) Wine for RAF presentation.

RESOLVED – All approved that PL should be refunded.

SH

d) VM proposed that a donation be given to pre-school to cover the cost of the paint (£69.41) for repainting the children's chairs.

RESOLVED – all agreed.

SH

e) SH reported that the issues raised by the internal auditor needed to be discussed at a future meeting.

RESOLVED - noted

SH

68. Other issues raised for possible future discussion –

(a) DC reported that litter bin in Benson Lane needs moving.

RESOLVED – SH to follow up

SH

(b) Suggestion from resident for a Ewelme Festival

RESOLVED – Noted.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date:

Date of next meeting – **Wednesday 10th September 2008** at 7.30pm,
Village Hall