Meeting held on Thursday September 1st 2005 in Itchen Abbas and Avington Village Hall.

PRESENT: Alison Matthews (Chairman), Bob Banham, Cynthia Bolton, Jennifer Ffennell, Steve Gapper, Elaine Labram, Fiona Parry, Eric Thompson, Paul Twelftree, Joyce Edgell (Clerk). 2 members of the public were present.

08.1 APOLOGIES: Geraldine Phillips.

08.2 MINUTES of LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday July 7th were approved and signed.

08.3 MATTERS ARISING ACTION

a) Couch Green

FP has obtained estimates for replacing the play equipment. The cost will be about £10,000, including safety surface. Estimates are being circulated to Councillors

b) Low Cost Housing

Hyde Housing has been chosen as the sole developer of rural exception site housing across Hampshire. AM and CB will attend the official launch of HARAH (Hampshire Alliance for Rural Housing) on 2.09.2005.

FP has been researching names for the new development in Bridget's Lane. The meeting agreed that Shepherd's Field was appropriate. JAE to contact Ron Duff. (WCC). JAE

c) Sign in Church Lane, Easton

Ron Duff to be reminded about the Church Lane sign in Easton. JAE

d) Footpaths

The new dog fouling signs are now up. The fallen beech tree on the footpath from Little Hayes to Rectory Lane has now been cleared. The footpath from Cow Down to Chilland Lane may be surfaced this year by HCC.

e) Traffic Calming

The traffic calming by The Cricketers has been completed. PT to contact Graham Clifford re the gateways to the village. PT

f) Easton Village Hall-rep

ET stated that he wished to resign as Parish Council rep. After discussion he agreed to continue until May.

g) Avington Open Space

HCC plan to graze animals in Avington Open Space. AM has put an article in the magazines. AM

h) Litter Bin Containers

JAE to contact Serco re litter bin containers for the valley. JAE

08.4 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS and QUESTIONS

JF notified the meeting that a tree in her garden needs to be felled. Michael Edwards has been consulted.

PT has not been successful in getting the signs at The Percy Hobbs removed. He will ask Jackie Porter for help. PT

Plans for a change of use to recycling at Thornacre have now been shelved.

CB suggested contacting Adam Craig of the Passenger Transport System about replacing the bus shelters in the village. JAE

The pavement alongside the B3407 from Little Hayes to The Trout needs resurfacing. The zigzag path on Station Hill and the path in Station Close needs weed killing. The fence could do with painting. JAE to contact Neil Broadbent. JAE

FP stated that the bark has been spread at Old School Field. She commented on the state of the litter at Winnall roundabout.

SG stated that the drain on Station Hill is full and the seat by the old police house is broken. JAE

Now the web site is linked to HCC site "hits" have gone up considerably.

EL gave her apologies for the October meeting. She asked why the Parish Council is not consulted re changes of hours for licensed premises. AM stated that Parish Councils are not consultees on licensing matters under new legislation.

AM stated that Avington Park has also applied for a new licence. She will put an article in the magazines explaining that as Parish Councils are not informed individuals must make their own objections. AM

BB said that after a long time of negotiations the hedgerow alongside the river has now been cut.

JAE was asked to add to the assets register finger posts and footpath signs JAE

08.5 FINANCE

SG proposed that the accounts be accepted. CB seconded the proposal. AM duly signed the accounts. JAE to send to the Audit Commission. JAE

The advice from the internal auditor re increasing the fidelity bond is to be circulated. JAE

PT proposed that IVPC could advance 5 years of grants to Easton Village Hall. FP seconded this proposal. AM to inform Lucy Varcoe. She will also ask WCC whether as there are 3 village halls in the parish, the grant from the City Council could be increased without full matched funding. AM

The Cricket Club asked the Parish Council for a grant but the club was informed that grants cannot be made to private clubs.

It was agreed not to increase the Clerk's Salary this year. A Christmas bonus of £100 will be given.

It was agreed to claim the money for the bark from the Open Spaces Fund.

The following cheques were signed prior to meeting

101401 Easton and Martyr Worthy Cricket Club - Grant £1000.00

101402 Fiona Parry-(Bark) £125.00

101403 Charlie Yeates (Footpaths) £145.00

101404 Ken Abraham (Internal Audit) £94.00

The following cheques were approved and signed:

101405 Southern Electric (KGV) £18.85

101406 Joyce Edgell (Bark) £499.38

101407 Joyce Edgell (Salary July & August & exp.) £497.04

101408 Charlie Yeates (Footpaths) £70.00

101409 IA and Avington Village Hall (Hire-Sept.) £10.00

08.6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

W07492/48 Roadchef (Winchester) Ltd. Winchester Services Northbound. Construction of a 40 bedroom lodge building (renewal of planning permission W07492/10) OBJECT as before.

WTPO/1698 Mr Dhand, 2, Church Lane, Easton. Fell I Eucalyptus tree. SUPPORT

W17550/07 Mr and Mrs Warren, 1, Graces Farm Cottages, Martyr Worthy Road, Martyr Worthy. 1.5m high fence to front of property. SUPPORT

W02980/04 Banner Homes Wessex Ltd. School Lane, Itchen Abbas. Demolition of The Paddock and Abbotsbury and erection of 10 dwellings comprising 2 one bedroom flats, 3 two bedroom houses, 1 three bedroom house 2 four bedroom houses 1 five bedroom house and 1 six bedroom house with associated garages/parking, landscaping and alterations to access. (Revised application). (W02980/03 Application Withdrawn). OBJECT as before

W12001/08 N Price, Pitt Farm Bungalows, Alresford Road, Winchester. Replace flat roofs with pitched roofs on 2 bungalows. (Renewal of planning permission W12001/07). NO COMMENT

W16922/06 Mr and Mrs Waldron, Itchen Down Farm, Northington Road, Itchen Abbas. Block of 3 loose boxes and tack room. (This application may affect the setting of a right of way). NO COMMENT

W08154/19 Mr Mezger, The Farm Yard, Easton Lane, Easton. Change of use of building from agricultural to dairy. (Permanent renewal of W08154/16) This application may affect the setting of a public right of way. No objection to temporary renewal but OBJECT to permanent. AM

W02224/08 D Lowes, Chillandham Cross, Chillandham Lane, Martyr Worthy. Demolition of existing dwelling and garage and erection of 2 four bedroom 3 two bedroom and 1 five bedroom dwellings with associated garages, parking and access. (Previous application W02224/07 withdrawn) OBJECT as before. AM

W 19602/01 Harcourts, 3, Railway Cottages, Old Station Road, Itchen Abbas. Two and single storey side/rear extension (Resubmission). Previous application W19602 Withdrawn. SG declared an interest. OBJECT. A balance to match the other end of the terrace would be preferable. AM

08.7 PLANNING DECISIONS

Noted as listed in the agenda

08.8 PLANNING MATTERS

The Corner, Easton. The appeal against refusal of the first application for a garage has been allowed.

An extension of 3 months expiring 30.10.2005 has been granted to the hotel at Morn Hill.

Prowting Homes appeal against refusal of consent for residential development at Abbots Worthy House has been dismissed.

The owners of Pipits Hill, Avington intend to make an application for change of use from agricultural to garden at the top of the plot. AM declared an interest. This application will be discussed at the next meeting.

Planning Improvement and Community Involvement meeting 14/09/2005. AM and PT to attend. JAE

08.9 CORRESPONDENCE

A consultation from BT re removal of 'phone boxes has been received. JAE to ask the planning office if any of the boxes in the valley are listed. She will ask BT for figures re use. JAE

WCC-Winchester District Natural Environment and Biodiversity Action Plan. EL will register her interest. EL

"Local Works"-Campaign for the Sustainable Communities Bill. To introduce consultation at Parish level first. IVPC supports this.

BAA-Southampton Airport's Community and Stakeholder Conference 23/09/2005 - AM to attend.

08.10. DATE of NEXT MEETING

Thursday 6th October 2005 at 7pm in Martyr Worthy Parish Hall.

(Steven Lugg, new director of HAPTC to attend).

The meeting closed at 9.10pm