Meeting held on Thursday January 5th 2006 in Martyr Worthy Parish Hall.

PRESENT: Alison Matthews (Chairman), Bob Banham, Cynthia Bolton, Jennifer Ffennell, Steve Gapper, Elaine Labram, Fiona Parry, Geraldine Phillips, Eric Thompson, Paul Twelftree, Jackie Porter (County Councillor), Joyce Edgell (Clerk).

01.1 APOLOGIES: There were no apologies.

01.2 MINUTES of LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on December 1st 2005 were approved and signed.

01.3 MATTERS ARISING ACTION

a) Couch Green

FP will get estimates for clearing the old play equipment. FP

New equipment will not be bought at the moment. The meeting agreed to supply two sets of wooden swings for two different age groups at the Old School Field at Easton. EL will contact the Schoolfield Trust Committee asking for its approval. EL

b) Low Cost Housing

There is a continuing delay with the diverting of the electricity and water.

c) Sign in Church Lane, Easton

No estimate to date. Mr Beaumont to be reminded, JAE

d) Footpaths

CB reported that IVPC's application to HCC's Small Grant Scheme has been turned down.

In order to put the railway line footpath on the definitive map IVPC must ensure residents are informed. JAE to put an article in both magazines quoting the website where more information can be found. JAE

JF commented that the bridge at the bottom of Church Lane, Martyr Worthy is very slippery. CB to enquire whether wire can be put on it. Jackie Porter said the boardwalk footpath bridge is also slippery. CB

e) Traffic Calming

Nothing to report. PT will make enquiries. PT

f) Open Space Strategy

AM attended a Scrutiny Committee meeting. It was suggested that the criteria for Open Space Strategy could be expanded. A query was raised as to whether existing contributors would accept this. The subject of increasing insurance was also raised.

01.4 STREET LIGHTING INITIATIVE

HCC have circulated a request that Parish Councils join a Private Finance Initiative. This was discussed and decided that it was not financially viable for IVPC to join.

01.5 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS and QUESTIONS

JAE reported that WCC has abandoned the idea of putting members' interests on the internet.

PT commented that the pavement alongside the A31 is overgrown again. He will email Neil Broadbent with a copy to Jackie Porter. PT

FP commented on the increase of lorries using the B3047. It was suggested that satellite navigation could be to blame. AM will contact the chairman of Wonston Parish Council as Wonston has had some success in reducing lorry traffic. AM

FP reported on the £150 given by the Winchester Villages Trust to Itchen Abbas School to help with outings. She reported that Sue Alexander from Old Alresford will act on her behalf while she is unavailable.

SG reported that the drain on Station Hill has still not been cleared. He stated that there is a lot of litter through the village. It was suggested that he put an article in the magazine asking people to help with this problem. Maybe a litter pick could be organised. SG

He asked about the progress of the Itchen Abbas sewage works. AM reported that contracts for purchasing the land have not been exchanged.

JF reported about the Couch Green sewage works. The delay is being caused by the deeds not having been produced.

JF asked if a sign could be put up in Bridget's Lane asking drivers to slow down. She was informed that the sign would not be official.

BB found the Councillor Induction Training to be useful and he has acquired booklets relating to good practice.

AM had been contacted about usage of barns in Chillandham Lane. Enquiries will be made. She asked that an article be put in the magazines with notification of the Annual Parish Meeting. JAE to check first if Neil Baxter is available on Monday 24th April. Fiona Tebbutt, new head of planning, and Andrew Robson, head teacher of Itchen Abbas School will be invited to attend. JAE

01.6 FINANCE

JAE reported that the external audit has been completed. She has put notices on the notice boards stating that the accounts can be inspected.

Cheques signed prior to meeting:

101433 IA and Avington Village Hall (Hire Dec.) £10.00

101434 Charlie Yeates £40.00

101435 The Park Golf Club £111 63

101436 Southern Water (KGV) £12.30

The following cheques were approved and signed:

101437 Joyce Edgell (Dec. Salary and Half Yearly Expenses) £397.23

101438 Alison Matthews (Expenses) £12.30

01.7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

W17745/05 Mr Judson, Pipits Hill, Avington. Change of use of land from agricultural to residential garden. AM declared an interest and left the room. PT chaired the discussion. IVPC OBJECTS to this application.

W13405/02 Mr Stent, Park Farm, Lovington Lane, Avington. Replacement of redundant piggery with single storey building comprising 2 holiday let units (I 3-bed, 1 1-bed). SUPPORT with a condition prohibiting any other mobile home or caravan on the same site.

W06401/05LB Mrs Graham-Maw Avington Lodge, Avington Lane, Avington. Internal alterations to form new kitchen, ensuite bathroom, ensuite shower room, utility room and cloakroom. Minor external alterations to replace modern door and windows. NO COMMENT

W03990/14LB Lower Chilland House, Lower Chilland Lane, Martyr Worthy. External and internal alterations to convert attached double garage into living accommodation; demolition of existing rear balcony and replacing with larger one; alteration to fenestration including new doorways and windows. (This application may affect the setting of a right of way). NO COMMENT

01.8 PLANNING DECISIONS

Noted as listed in the agenda

01.9 PLANNING MATTERS

The Banner Homes application has been permitted, still with concerns re the drainage and safety of schoolchildren were ignored by the Planning Committee.

The inquiry for the small hotel at Morn Hill has been cancelled. Little work has started on the permitted hotel. No response yet to IVPC's query as to whether the S106 agreement has been fulfilled.

The two physiotherapy signs in Avington have been moved as an interim measure. We are awaiting drawings of conservation quality signs which could be put on the walls.

A site meeting has been arranged for the Chillandham Cross application on 10/01/2006 at 9.30am.

A planning application for the Motorcross events is required and expected. The web site states that these events are supported by WCC. PT to enquire. PT

AM will attend a meeting on 9/01/2006 re planning guidance on frontage development. AM

01.10 CORRESPONDENCE

A geophysics seismic survey will be carried out in Avington. AM will put an article in the magazines informing residents. AM

01.11 DATE of NEXT MEETING

Thursday 2nd February 2006 at 7pm in Easton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm