

Minutes April 2008

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 3rd April 2008 at 7pm in Martyr Worthy Parish Hall.

PRESENT: Steve Gapper (Chairman), Bob Banham, Penny Flemons, John Harris, Shirley Howell, Elaine Labram, Bill Loader, Paul Moffatt, Sarah Robinson, Eric Thompson. Jackie Porter (County Councillor), Neil Baxter (City Councillor), Joyce Edgell (Clerk). Peveril Bruce (Matterley Estate). 1 member of the public.

04.1 APOLOGIES: There were no apologies.

04.2 MINUTES of LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th March 2008 were approved and signed.

SG welcomed Peveril Bruce who outlined the background and plans for the future at Matterley Bowl. He has a licence for six events for up to 15,000 people.

SG thanked Peveril Bruce for attending the meeting. JP commented that it was a worthwhile meeting building a constructive dialogue.

04.3 REPORTS from COUNTY COUNCILLOR and CITY COUNCILLOR

Jackie Porter informed the meeting that Easton has been included in the Village 30 scheme for 08/09. EL asked about the possibility of a 20mph in Easton.

A new contract for road maintenance starts 1st May. All drains/gulleys will be cleaned in the first year of contract. Grass at junctions cleared.

JP has been in contact with Hyde Housing re the lighting situation at Shepherds Field.

JP urged members to fill in the Alresford Town Partnership survey which asks people to list priorities.

Neil Baxter commented that the national bus passes have not yet been received by WCC.

He also stated his concern about the proposed Avington Sewage Treatment Works.

04.4 MATTERS ARISING

ACTION

a) Couch Green

The car park will be resurfaced shortly.

The bus shelter has been put back in situ after a vehicle had collided with it. Charlie Yeates has been asked to mend the broken slats. The roof is sagging and needs replacing. Concern that it might be asbestos. JP to consult an expert.

JP

A quote for a regular monthly inspection has been received from Serco. This will cost £10 per site. It was agreed to accept this. JAE

b) Old School Field

EL reported that the hedging and fencing will be postponed until the Autumn as it is too late in regard to birds' nesting. The price will be held.

The meeting agreed to get new football nets in September.

e) Traffic Calming

Several councillors will look at rural footpaths in other villages.

04.5 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS and QUESTIONS

EL reported that Steve Brine PPC for the Conservative Party and a resident of Easton has circulated a survey re the Village 30 proposal. A village meeting will be held about June.

There are many potholes in Easton. JAE to contact Neil Broadbent. JAE

SH showed the meeting brochures of play equipment suitable for older children. JAE to find out how much the insurance will increase. JAE

SR will check with Neil Broadbent re the Zig-Zag footpath down from Shepherds Field. SR

BL commented on the unsafe bridge rails near the Fulling Mill. JAE to contact Peter Watson. JAE

He asked about the possibility of a boules piste on the Old School Field.

BL will attend the Planning Seminar at Basingstoke on 9.04.08.

PF and JP are meeting Peter Chadwick of HCC to discuss the Avington Sewage Treatment Works.

The Avington road sign has not been repainted. JAE to remind. JAE

JH reported on a meeting with Mike Jarvis of Star Energy who want to drill two more exploratory wells.

SG attended a seminar re Open Space Funds. Rules will be changed in approximately 18 months. There will still be a levy placed on builders of new homes but the money raised may not necessarily be available to the local parish.

JAE has received a letter re concern over fly tipping. An article will be put in the magazines informing people who to get in touch with. JAE

The street light on Station Hill has been reported.

A request for a church picnic on KGV on 15th June 2008 has been received.

The meeting agreed to this and there will be no cost. JAE to inform. JAE

04.6 FINANCE

£150 has been received form the MacPherson Schoolfield Trust to help towards grass cutting on the field.

The following cheques were approved and signed:

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| 101592 Easton Village Hall (March Hire) | £10.00 |
| 101593 HALC (Next Meeting Posters) | £18.00 |
| 101594 J C Mills (Bark Chippings Old Schoolfield) | £30.00 |
| 101595 J W Vines (Paint KGV) | £92.39 |
| 101596 Joyce Edgell (Sal. March & Exp. APM) | £327.75 |
| 101597 HALC (Planning Seminar) | £40.00 |

04.7 PLANNING

Applications:

W11804/01LB & 02 Mr and Mrs Fox, Wickets, Avington Park Lane, Easton. Alterations to detached garage to include 1 rooflight, existing front door replaced with window and boarding beneath, replacement roof, replacement doors, ceiling lowered to allow room in loft space, internal staircase added (Within the curtilage of a listed building) COMMENT ONLY

W11750/05 Mr Price, 3, New Cottages, Avington Road, Avington. Two storey rear extensions to 3 and 4 New Cottages. COMMENT ONLY

W04447/11 Southern Water Ltd., Avington Park, Avington. Change of use for land to be leased by Southern Water. Construction of a wooden building to house a control shelter, package plant and boundary fence. OBJECT

W04382/10 Hampshire County Council, Itchen Abbas Primary School. To construct a bitmac surfaced multi use games area with 3.6m high weld mesh fencing at each end and 1.2m weld mesh fencing at the sides to provide a facility for school use-marked for tennis, 5 a side football, basket ball and netball. COMMENT ONLY

W07786/05 Mrs Gray, Dairy House, Avington Park Lane, Easton. Manege and associated works. NO OBJECTION

W09874/05 Mr Gaster, Candleford Green, 3, Shelley Close, Itchen Abbas. Conversion of attached garage to provide annexed accommodation with new gable end; erection of detached double garage with store above. ONGOING

W01603/05 Lunways Inn, Micheldever. Temporary siting of modular building for a two year period for use as a gospel hall. ONGOING

W09794/04 Boundary Cottage, Church Lane, Easton. Single storey and first floor extensions and incorporating alterations and enlargement of existing dormer. ONGOING

Decisions:

W09874/04 Mr and Mrs Gaster, Candleford Green, 3, Shelley Close, Itchen Abbas. Single storey side extension to existing garage. WITHDRAWN

W20178/02 &03 Mrs Bruce, Slate and Timber Barn, Hampage Farm, Alresford Road. Balcony to south elevation. (Within the curtilage of a listed building) APPLICATION REFUSED

W20489/03 Ms Tillen, Trellis Cottage, Avington Park Lane, Easton. Two storey side extension. APPLICATION PERMITTED

Planning Matters

1. Matterley Bowl-Licence-see above
2. Police House Appeal-A representative from the Parish Council will attend the appeal on 30.04.08.
3. The Parish Council has written to WCC Planning Department pointing out that, whilst they have treated Larchwood as two properties when considering the recent planning application, the Council Tax Section of the City Council has treated Larchwood as one property.

04.8 CORRESPONDENCE

WCC-Union of Parishes of the Benefice of Itchen Valley-Comments by 28.04.2008-EL,JH

04.9. DATE of NEXT MEETING

Thursday 1st May 2008 in Itchen Abbas and Avington Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.25pm