

Minutes March 2010

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4th March 2010 at 7pm in Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall.

PRESENT: Steve Gapper (SG) (Chairman), John Harris (JH) Bob Banham (BB), Penny Flemons (PF), Paul Moffatt (PM), Shirley Howell (SH), Elaine Labram (EL), Bill Loader (BL), Neil Baxter (City Councillor)(NB), Jackie Porter (County Councillor) (JP). Ron Darley (Parish Clerk) (RD). PCSO Helen Ashcroft (HA)

ACTION

3.1 APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from Eric Thompson (ET), Sarah Robinson (SR)

3.2 MINUTES of LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 4 February 7 January 2010 were agreed and signed.

At 7:05pm the meeting recessed into open forum and resumed at 7:20.

PCSO Ashcroft (HA) introduced herself to members and handed out various contact information. She listed incidents which had occurred: (i) Trespass at Graces/Folly Farm, (ii) Night hawkers (using metal detectors), (iii) Criminal damage, Itchen Stoke, (iv) Suspicious vehicle, probably poachers, (v) Speeding – PC Stockton has completed training with, and will be using, a speed gun to catch offenders in the area (vi) a mobile police station initiative is now operating and a schedule of dates and locations was handed out), (vii) Community boxes have been installed in 2 local churches inviting information on police issue of concern to parishioners, (viii) checks are being made at local beauty spot car parks, (ix) local patrolling continues as normal.

HA recognised the ongoing problem of travellers, which is predominantly a matter to be addressed by landowners. The police do however work closely with HCC's Gypsy Officer. The Clerk referred to police powers in the Police and Criminal Evidence legislation. The Clerk is to identify the precise legislation.

Nick Price, of Greentythe (NP) attended to make a short presentation on a planning proposal at the Hobbs & Fisher Bungalow, which is near/behind the Percy Hobbs public house, These are a prototype, environmentally friendly, carbon neutral dwellings, single storey, 120square metres, each with two bedrooms. They will replace old prefabricated housing. NP hopes to confirm that this will meet permitted development requirements. NP offered to meet any member on site to further outline the proposal.

On a separate issue – he is a co-director of the Trout Farm and hoped that IVPC would not oppose the planning application for an agricultural dwelling on that site. BB confirmed that he was meeting a trout farm representative the following day.

Clerk

3.3 REPORTS FROM COUNTY & CITY COUNCILLORS

The reports of JP and NB are at Appendices B & C to these minutes.

JP confirmed that HCC will not install lighting at Shepherd's Field; that will be a matter for Hyde Housing, who should be asked to install a single light as a trial.

3.4 MATTERS ARISING

a) Footpaths

(i) Strawberry Lane: Work completed. Delete

b) Footway B3047: We have requested that a stretch of footway has been included in the HCC programme. Monitor.

c) Lit Signs: JP offered a grant of £2,000 towards a new unit, to be shared by a number of neighbouring parishes.

d) Couch Green

(i) Payment of outstanding debt by WCFC. The Clerk will vigorously pursue clearance of this item.

(ii) A further letter has been sent to the water company asking them to address the issues IVPC's initial letter.

e) Model Standing Orders: The new Model Standing Orders are being personalised by the Clerk.

SG

Clerk

f) Lighting: Cllr Moffatt had effected repair of the defective light at Martyr Worthy. Delete.

3.5 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS and QUESTIONS

BL reported that he had asked for rubbish to be cleared and was very impressed by the prompt response.

SH referred to an item in the local newsletter claiming that Couch Green playground was infested with dog fouling; she had checked and found no such evidence.

PF reported that a tree had fallen across a footpath in Avington (parallel to the road from the last house in Avington to the golf course). It was agreed to ask Mr Yeates to clear the debris.

BB reported that the Trout Farm management appear to be trying to co-operate as regards the suspect trees and noisy equipment at the site. He undertook to circulate information from his impending meeting with them.

EL gave her apologies for the April meeting and referred to the dog faeces problem on the footpath near The Chestnut Horse. The Clerk confirmed that he intended to clear what is there and to mail-drop adjacent house.

EL complained about the state of the footpath behind Shelley Close which was so muddy and unsafe that she had had an accident resulting in injury and unconsciousness involving an ambulance being called. The Clerk is to complain formally to the rights of Way office. SG and PM are to inspect the path and suggest methods of improving the surface.

SG reported that he is in course of preparing his Annual report for the Annual Parish Meeting.

3.6 FINANCE

The following cheques were approved and signed:

102066 R. Darley
Salary & expenses February
£250.44

102067
HMRC
PAYE on February Salary
£60.89

102068
Itchen Valley Village Hall
Hall Hire 4 March
£7.00

102069
C.F. Yeates
Footpath maint. November
£25.00

102070
Southern Electric
Electricity Supply Couch Green
£67.34

Total
£410.67

3.7 PLANNING

(a) Applications:

W02842/14: The Test Valley Trout Farm, Main Road itchen Abbas: (Extension of time limit for implementing planning permission 05/00065/FUL): Erection of hatchery building.

W03990/34: Lower Chilland House, Lower Chilland Lane, Martyr Worthy: Works within the gardens of Lower Chilland House, Lower Chilland Lane, Martyr Worthy. These works include the refurbishment or replacement of various sluice gates, revetments and bridges, the extension of a boardwalk and the removal of non-indigenous planting. The papers were passed to BL for examination.

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W03513/10: Edgewell Cottage, Lower Chilland Lane, Martyr Worthy: Demolition of existing dwelling and replacement with 1 four bed detached dwelling with alterations to existing garage and link. No objection.

W07492/55: Moto Hospitality Ltd, Winchester Services Northbound, Shroner Wood: new retail extension to existing MSA Building (Northbound). No objection.

W?? case No 10/00085/FUL: Moto Hospitality Ltd, Winchester Services Southbound, Shroner Wood: new retail extension to existing MSA Building (Southbound). No objection.

It was reported that the developer had damaged the grass verge on the corner near Lower Chilland house, but had agreed to re-instate.

The Hobbs & Fisher Bungalow application had been received and a response had to be submitted by 22 March.

IVPC had originally objected to the Archimedes Screw application, in particular because of concerns about the extraction of water which was not replaced and the effect on river levels. It was reported that the Environment Agency (EA) had granted a licence for the Archimedes Screw. The advantage of the licence was that, despite the fact there are no general regulatory controls, the licence gave EA the opportunity to stipulate the flow. The mechanism is automatic and self regulating. EA will also install a gauge which anyone passing by can check at a glance and report any occasion where the water level is below what it should be. English Heritage were said to be objecting to this application, and it was agreed to await sight of that objection before considering whether IVPC might withdraw theirs.

(b) Decisions:

W16129/01: C Cooper (HOUSEHOLDER): 3 Little Hayes Lane Itchen Abbas: Single storey side extension, fence & gate. Decision: Application permitted.

W12581/01TPOCA: Mr A Impey, Beech Hill, Avington: Lift crowns of 2 No beeches to height of 12 feet above ground level. Decision: Application withdrawn.

WTPO/1969: P Wolfe, Manor Farm House, Easton: remove 3 No sycamores; pollard 5 No sycamores. Decision: Application permitted.

3.8 CORRESPONDENCE

HALC

Weekly Updates

1.

HALC

Training Calendar and Training Catalogue

2.

NSPCC

Promoting the NSPCC Helpline

3.

SLCC
Membership renewal

4.
Santander
Request for additional ID information

5.
Test Valley Trout Farm
Letter re Application 09/02303/FUL

6.
Information Commission
Confirmation of renewal of Data protection Act registration

7.
St Swithun's
Acknowledgement of Grant

8.
Nick Price, Greentythe
Approach re attendance at IVPC meeting re 10/00102/FUL

9.
SLCC
Regional Conference for the South East: Binfield: 16 March

10.
Hants Play Field Assn
The Playing Field: magazine: Winter 2010

11.
Clerks & Councils Direct
Magazine: January 2010

12.
HCC
Fact Sheet; About bus services Nov 2009

13.
SLCC
The Clerk Magazine; January 2010

14.
Hants FWAG

Hampshire Land Matters Bulletin: Autumn 2009: issue 6

15.

HCC

Inroads magazine: November 2009

16.

HCC

Newsletter of Hampshire Country Access Forum

17.

HCC

Annual Newsletter of the Small Grants Scheme

18.

Winch. Comm. Safety Partnership

Bi-Monthly Bulletin February 2010

19.

HMRC

Notification to complete P35 Annual return

20.

Serco

Notification of revised quotations for grass-cutting

3.9 DATE of FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting will be: Thursday 1 April 2010 at 7pm at Martyr Worthy Village Hall . The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 April Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall

The May meeting will need to be postponed due to its clash with local/national elections on 6 May. An alternative date of 13 May was suggested, but will depend upon the availability of the village halls.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:04