

## Minutes April 2011

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 7th April 2011 at 7pm in Martyr Worthy Village Hall.

Councillors Present:                      Abbreviation:

Mrs P. Flemons (Chairman)	(PF)
Mr J. Harris	(JH)
Mr E. Thompson	(ET)
Mr B. Loader	(BL)
Mr P Moffatt	(PM)
Mrs S Robinson	(SR)
Mr B. Banham	(BB)
Mr S. Gapper	(SG)
Mrs K. Wells	(KW)

Also present:

District Councillor N. Baxter                      (NB)  
Two members of the public

In attendance:

Eddie Mason – Clerk to the Council.      (EM)

### 11.038 Minutes of Previous Meeting:

(a) It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 3th March 2011 at 7.00pm in Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall be signed as a true and accurate record.

11.039 Apologies: Apologies were received from Councillor Sarah Robinson (SR) and County Councillor Jackie Porter (JP).

### 11.040 Public Participation:-

(a) Mrs Parker had come to support and answer questions on the Itchen Abbas House planning application.

Councillor John Harris asked for details as to how vehicle would gain access. Mrs Parker answered that it was from the B3047.

Councillor Loader said that it was a very well worked out application and that everyone is very supportive.

(b) Mrs Angela Wheeler felt that the recent planning application for the Prince's Mead School which she supported in general was flawed in one area, and that this is its proposal to provide public catering as a service to the community. This in her opinion will be detrimental to the highly competitive catering market in the Itchen Valley area which is already well served by the three village halls and local public houses. She also felt that the high use of commercial extractor fans that

would be required for this type of operation with their associated noise and odours would be detrimental to the quality of life for the neighbouring properties, and that this is unacceptable.

Councillor Harris said that the site will also require a turning circle to allow delivery vehicles that are refused access to the school, to turn around, without having to use the drives of nearby domestic properties.

#### Action

#### 11.041 Reports from County and City Councillor:

(a) County Councillor J Porter had sent in her apologies, but had provided a written report see Appendix A.

(b) District Councillor N. Baxter attended and provided a written report see Appendix B.

(c) Councillor Baxter announced that he was not standing for re-election for District Council and would therefore be standing down on May the 5th.

(d) Everyone expressed regret about Neil not standing and unanimously thanked him for all the work he had done on behalf of the community.

#### 11.042 Matters Arising

##### (a) Footpaths:

(i) Councillor Flemons reported that the grant had now been paid by Hampshire County Council. Councillor Moffatt said that he would remove the lock from the gate to the disused railway line path.

(b) Lit signs – Councillor Porter has arranged a grant for the lit signs.

##### (c) Couch Green:

(i) Councillor Flemons reported that a new electric meter had been fitted to the changing rooms.

(ii) A discussion took place as to whether a transfer of the usage of Couch Green should be from a Playing Field to an Allotment Site.

Proposed Councillor Flemons seconded Councillor Loader and overwhelmingly agreed that an application be made to change the usage of Couch Green from a Playing Field to an allotment site. (Councillors Harris and Robinson voted against the proposal).

Councillor Flemons to prepare a report for the next meeting.

(d) Bench at Itchen Abbas by the 'Downs House' – Councillor Robinson's is obtaining a quote for the bench.

(e) Street Lighting – SEC are preparing a contract.

(f) Grit Bins – Several of the grit bins have arrived but have not all been positioned in the correct place.

PM

SR

EM

11.043 Matters for Decision/Discussion:

- a) Councillor Harris said that he would not be standing as a Councillor at the Parish Election.
- b) Councillor Wells agreed to become a trustee of the McPherson Field.

11.044 Correspondence: All correspondence had been issued to all Councillors prior to the meeting:

- a) Hampshire County Council has emailed asking the Parish Councillors to complete a Bus Subsidy Review – Consultation Form.

Councillor Loader to complete the consultation form.

- b) Intec has written about a licence to put up 36 communication dishes.

Councillor Loader to write.

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11.045 Planning:

Councillor Loader explained that the South Downs National Park is now the Planning Authority for Itchen Valley although for the time being this has been contracted back to Winchester City Council. Applications and Decisions – See Appendix C attached to these Minutes.

Councillor Loader asked for other members of the Council to join the Planning Committee to replace Councillors Harris and Banham who are standing down.

11.046 Playing Field:

- a) Already discussed

11.047 Highways:

a) The Clerk was asked to produce pro-forma for reporting highway problems and distribute them to all Parish Councillors.

#### 11.048 Finance

It was unanimously agreed that the Council should pay its bills:

#### Cheque List Apr-11

Transaction	Cheque No	Creditors Name	Payment For	Gross	VAT	Nett
131	102145	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Postage)	£2.32	£0.00	£2.32
130	102145	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Postage)	£5.15	£0.00	£5.15
133	102145	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Mileage)	£31.82	£0.00	£31.82
132	102145	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses	£25.00	£0.00	£25.00
129	102145	Eddie Mason	Clerks Salary	£211.13	£0.00	£211.13
134	102146	HM Customs and Inland	Clerk Tax	£52.80	£0.00	£52.80
135	102148	I C O (Data Protection)	Data Protection	£35.00	£0.00	£35.00
136	102149	Hampshire County Council	Street Lighting	£202.88	£33.81	£169.07
137	102150	Serco	Monthly Play Area Inspections	£48.00	£8.00	£40.00
138	102151	AHS Ltd (Bark & Compost	Grounds Maintenance	£280.80	£46.80	£234.00
139	102152	Hampshire Association of Local	Membership Fees	£254.00	£0.00	£254.00
140	102153	National Association of Local	Membership Fees	£56.00	£0.00	£56.00
141	102153	Hampshire Association of Local	Training	£30.00	£5.00	£25.00

Totals Paid £1,234.90 £93.61 £1,141.29

11.049 Date of the Next Meetings – The next meetings will be the Parish Assembly on Thursday 19th May 2011 in the Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall and the Council Meeting on the 2nd June 2011 in the Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall at 7:00pm.

There being no additional business the meeting closed at 8:30pm

#### Appendix A

11.041a) Report by County Councillor Jackie Porter:

#### Broadband-IMPORTANT!!

Please urge everyone to try again to sign up with the new HCC broadband campaign:

[www.hants.gov.uk/broadband](http://www.hants.gov.uk/broadband)

Hampshire is trying for another major grant to the Gov.t to secure universal broadband for everywhere including rural areas. The last successful campaign was in Whitchurch with more than 100% sign up! Please urge everyone to sign up or telephone in their support.

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/communications/mediacentre/mediareleases.htm?newsid=462216>

#### Grants

The County Councillor's devolved grant closed on March 15th. As there was a sum carried over from 2009-10, there was £11,477 to spend this year. As far as possible, I try to cover the whole division, and this year's recipients were:

Party in the Park, An event for young people in Alresford

£200

Lit sign for 4 Itchen Valley villages to share

£2650

Alresfords CAB service set up

£2000

East Stratton Village Hall Chairs for Moviola

£1200

Northington Village Hall, new oven

£1500

Kings Worthy school- bikes for all scheme for year 6

£500

Worthys Festival: a showcase of village groups in Sept 2011

£500

Village Voice Community Mag: equipment upgrade, interim support

£650

Eel House, Alresford: grille

£1000

Alresford Theatre group

£500

Pinder Centre: a pilot scheme:

Caring for Carers

£827

New applications for 11-12 are invited: the scheme restarts in June 2011, but this year we have a reduced grant sum of only £8000 per councillor. I hope to give a maximum of £1000 for any one scheme to ensure coverage of the division.

Cuts and Consultations

It was depressing to learn this week that despite the swingeing cuts at the County, where HCC has received a reduction in spending of £29 million and actually reduced spending by £55 million, that

the 'state spend' has reduced by just 0.6%. The State Spend includes defence, housing, infrastructure such as roads, rail, legal system etc.

One victim of the proposed HCC cuts is Children's Sure Start Centres: Sunbeams in Alresford has developed the highest reputation in only a year of operation, reaching most of the under 5's (and their parents) either in health or child development. There is still time to make a formal response to the Consultation which ends on 15th April <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/childrenandyoungpeople/childrens-centres.htm> or you can sign the Save Our Children's Centre petition at [www.socchampshire.org.uk](http://www.socchampshire.org.uk), which is being actively supported by the team at Sunbeams.

As Opposition Spokesperson for Children, I have discussed an alternative to the set-up proposed in the Consultation with the Director, based on the Alresford model. I am told that this will be considered seriously, but there are no promises: the HCC proposal is to run the Centres via a Charity, such as Action for Children etc.

There are also consultations on the reduced sums made available by HCC for Subsidised Transport <http://consultations.hants.gov.uk/consultationdetails.aspx?consultationid=1046> : this will affect CANGO users and Youth Service Provision. There will be links to this via my website asap. The Local Transport Plan is now finalised. It is at <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/service493>

#### CAB in Alresford

The service started on 4th April at the Surgery, from 1 to 3pm. It is drop in or by appointment. Finally I must add a piece about FACABO- Friends Of Alresford CAB Outreach. You may have received your donation back from NATT, with a letter. There was a Constitution which had been agreed and I want to say thank you to all the groups and Parishes which contributed.

Unfortunately the grant from WCC seemed to make things more difficult, not easier, and NATT couldn't agree with the CAB how the money would be paid to CAB. It is still in dispute, so NATT decided to return the money to donors. This is very frustrating, but as self-appointed administrators of the money they had the right to do that: I hope that all donors who made a decision to pledge money to the Alresford service will reconsider their returned cheque and send it to the CAB to place in a restricted account for the same purpose.

In hindsight, this is what should have happened in the first place, but the offer by NATT to collect the money before paying it to the CAB to make it easier seemed to be the best solution at the time. A misplaced mistrust of the CAB may put this service in jeopardy now, when WCC's £5K runs out, but during this year, I will be doing what I can to get local funding to support the service, back on track. I am most keen to that the original reasons for setting up FACABO remain: not only to support funding from all communities it would serve, but also to promote the service in those same communities. This may not happen if there is no Friends Group.

County Councillor Jackie Porter

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#### Appendix B

11.041b) Report by District Councillor Neil Baxter:

Olympic and Paralympic Games 2012

The countdown has begun. Winchester is making most of the opportunities that the games and the Cultural Olympiad will bring.

The WCC Tourism team are getting ready to welcome the World. Four million visitors are expected to visit the city whilst in the UK for the games WCC is taking on six motivated young people to help the Winchester district make the most of opportunities arising from the games.

These assistant posts are available in 2012 through the Future Jobs Fund which is supported by the Department of Work and Pensions at no cost to the City Council

HCC have appointed a teacher Barry Kitchener for a three year assignment to coordinate games related projects and programmes across all Hampshire's departments. A number of countywide events are being planned. Barry will work with all the District and Borough Councils and Unitary authorities on their plans for 2012.

The AV Referendum

This is taking place on Election Day Thursday 5th May 2011. Please vote for your new District Councillor and the AV Referendum.

This is my last participation at the IVPC monthly meeting as your Councillor a role which I have enjoyed over the past twelve years, during which time there have been many changes some good and some questionable. I wish you well in the future. I will obviously continue to follow your activities with great interest as a local resident and if I can help at any time please let me know.

Good luck

Cllr Neil Baxter.

Appendix C

Planning applications received 25th October 2010

10/02603/FUL

Applicant: Test Valley Trout (Itchen) Ltd

Proposal: Construction of trout hatchery (RESUBMISSION)

Location: The Test Valley Trout Farm Main Road Itchen Abbas Hampshire

IVPC Recommendation: Supported

WCC Decision:

Applications received 20th December 2010

10/03026/FUL

Applicant: Princes Mead School

Proposal: Erection of chain link fencing and new surfacing to existing sports training area

Location: Princes Mead School Worthy Park House Worthy Park Lane Kings Worthy Winchester

Hampshire SO21 1AN  
IVPC Recommendation: Support  
WCC Decision

Applications received 10th January 2011

10/03173/LIS

Applicant: Mr And Mrs Kim Gottlieb  
Proposal: 2 No new rooflights to be installed to Eastern roof pitch of main roof  
Location: Black Farm Avington Winchester Hampshire SO21 1DA  
IVPC Recommendation: No objection  
WCC Decision: Refused

Applications received 31st January 2011

11/00163/TPC

Applicant: Mr Marsh  
Proposal: 1no. Monterey Cypress fell.  
Location: Old Manor House Easton Lane Easton Winchester Hampshire SO21 1EQ  
IVPC Recommendation: Not seen  
WCC Decision: Permitted

Applications received 7th February 2011

10/02401/FUL

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Low  
Proposal: (HOUSEHOLDER) Single storey extension  
Location: Westfield House Avington Winchester Hampshire SO21 1DE  
IVPC Recommendation: No objection  
WCC Decision: Permitted

Applications received 14th February 2011

11/00216/TPC

Applicant: Mrs Isobel Pinder  
Proposal: 2no. Silver Birch fell..  
Location: Manor House Church Lane Martyr Worthy Winchester Hampshire SO21 1DY  
IVPC Recommendation: Not seen  
WCC Decision: Permitted

Applications received 21st February 2011

11/00022/FUL

Applicant: Mr Keith Sloan  
Proposal: (HOUSEHOLDER) Replacement of 4 no. windows



Location: Woodland Halt Old  
IVPC Recommendation: No objection  
WCC Decision:

Applications received 28th February 2011

11/00033/OUT

Applicant: Winchester Gospel Hall Trust  
Proposal: Gospel hall as per previously permitted permission-06/01712/OUT (OUTLINE)  
Location: Brethrens Meeting Room London Road Micheldever Hampshire  
IVPC Recommendation: No objection  
WCC Decision:

11/00412/TPC

Applicant: Mrs Charlotte Wilson  
Proposal: 1no. Cornus and 1no. Cherry transplant. 1no. Cherry Laurel reduce overhanging branches to wall line and reduce crown height by one third. 1no. Lawson Cypress, 1no. Cotoneaster and 1no. Sycamore fell. 1no. Norway Maple crown lift to 4m and crown thin by 20%.. 1no. Yew lift lower branches to clear adjacent wall and buildings. 1no. Beech crown thin by 10% and crown lift lower three branches and lateral branch towards house. 1no. Magnolia Graniflora prune to contain as wall specimen. 1no. Ash remove large limb from neighbours property.  
Location: The Mill House Lower Chilland Lane Martyr Worthy Winchester Hampshire SO21 1EB  
IVPC Recommendation:  
WCC Decision:

Applications received 14th March 2011

11/00312/FUL

Applicant: Mr And Mrs Parker  
Proposal: 1 no. three bedroom dwelling, access, landscaping and associated works  
Location: Itchen Abbas House Main Road Itchen Abbas Winchester Hampshire SO21 1BQ  
IVPC Recommendation: Support  
WCC Decision

Applications received 21st March 2011

11/00316/LIS

Applicant: Prince's Mead School Trust  
Proposal: External and internal alterations including changes to fenestration, new fire escape and extraction vents to serve kitchen for change of use from B1 offices to D1 education  
Location: The Coach House Worthy Park Lane Kings Worthy Hampshire  
IVPC Recommendation: Support if use limited to education  
WCC Decision:

Applications received 28th March 2011

11/00367/FUL

Applicant: Mr And Mrs Jolleys

Proposal: (HOUSEHOLDER) Two storey extension and porch

Location: Finchfield 5 Shelley Close Itchen Abbas Winchester Hampshire SO21 1AU

IVPC Recommendation:

WCC Decision: