ITCHEN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

(Serving the villages Of: - Avington, Easton, Itchen Abbas & Martyr Worthy) Minutes of the Meeting September 6th 2012.

Attending: - Cllr Loader – Chairman Cllr Flemons Cllr Kennedy
Cllr Robinson Cllr Wells

Clerk Vivienne A Brook

- 8.135. Apologies: Were received from Cllr Howells, Cllr Moffatt & Cllr Mrs Riley
- **8.136** Public Participation None were in attendance.

8.137. Reports from County & City Councillors.

Cllr Porter – gave the Clerk a written report with the headings:-The Writing Hampshire Project;

Changes to the Way Hampshire County Council post public notices, instead of using the Hampshire Chronicle the adverts will be in the newspaper The Hampshire Independent. They can also be viewed online at www.hants.gov.uk/publicnotices;

The Lengths man was discussed with the assistance of Mr C Sparkes who is a Lengths man. Cllr Porter will host a meeting on 4th October to try and get 10 parishes' together to start another scheme.

Local Knowledge helps the fight against flooding – can we inform the council of areas in the parish prone to flooding on the following link www3.hants.gov.uk/flooding/floodriskstrategy.htm

The Clerk can email a booklet on ragwort to anyone that has a problem with this weed. The Clerk will task HCC with clearing ragwort when complaints were made.

Cllr Gottlieb – WCC reported that he would like to be informed of continuing problems with waste collection with details of what, where and when rubbish was missed.

Boomtown, there have been many complaints particularly of noise late on Sunday night.

There is to be an exhibition on 11th September in Itchen Abbas & Avington Village hall giving details of the proposed five council houses to be built on the old sewage works site in Itchen Abbas. The meeting expressed an interest to allocate these houses to those on the housing list with an affinity to our parish. (Clerk to write to Andy Palmer).

8.138 Planning.

It was agreed to accept the recommendations contained within the planning minutes presented by Cllr Flemons.

The next meeting is to be held on 20th September and the applicant from Sunnybanks will be presenting their application to the planning committee.

8.139 Minutes from the meeting of July 5th 2012. (As amended)

Were accepted as a true record.

8.140 Selection & Co-option of new Councillors

We have an additional resignation from Mark Porter and if both residents that have shown an interested can attend a meeting they can both be co-opted, however it should be accepted that all Council meetings are on a Thursday. Adverts will be placed in the two local magazines asking if they are any other parishioners interested in becoming a parish councillor.

8.141 Adoption of the Code of Conduct.

This council agreed to adopt the Code of Conduct as circulated - proposed by Cllr Kennedy seconded by Cllr Flemons .

8.142 Finance Meeting

It was agreed to accept the recommendations contained within the committee minutes as presented by CIIr Kennedy.

That the Accounts be agreed as listed:-

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022051	Inland Revenue (July)	55.05
022052	V A Brooks (July Salary/exp)	246.41
022053	M.W.P.Hall Olympic Grant	10.00(cheques have already been issued.)
022054	WCC (playground Inspections)	72.00
022055	Southern Electric (couch Green)	45.25
022056	V A Brooks (Aug salary/exp)	242.92
022057	Inland Revenue (August)	55.05

The cheques as presented were signed.

Cllr Kennedy asked if all of the Olympic Grants money had been spent. This was confirmed.

8.143 Footpath Matters.

Clir Mrs Robinson –we have had many complaints concerning overgrown footpaths but also some successes by getting HCC to clear the verge at Easton Corner and the footpath from Easton to Martyr Worthy.

HCC have also cleared some ragwort from the area by Couch Green.

We are waiting to see if we have awarded grants from HCC for the provision of a kissing gate to replace a stile at Baring Close, and for improvements to the steps to the railway at Chillenham Lane.

8.144 Playing Field Matters – Cllr Riley was not in attendance, she had however submitted a report for Council to consider the recommendations and issues of concern raised on the play equipment safety inspection, these were passed to F&GP for determination.

8.145 Roads & Highway Matters – No report.

The Clerk would like to thank Cllr Porter for the work he did on the SLR scheme that has been registered and the grant applied for.

8.146 Village Hall Committees.

An application was presented from Itchen Abbas for the provision of cycle racks at the village hall. This had been previously suggested by Cllr Flemons for use by all parish residents. This application will pass to the F&GP Committee for determination. Cllr Robinson will send a set of village hall accounts to the Clerk to accompany the application.

8.147 The MacPherson Easton School Trust.

No report.

8.148 Winchester Villages Trust.

No report.

8.149 Web Master

Is in hand the Clerk is seeking alternative quotations.

8.150 Councillors Questions.

Travellers have moved on from down by Long Walk.

8.151 Correspondence.

- 1. Various emails between ourselves & HCC regarding the SLR Scheme.
- 2. Details re the Draft Local Audit Bill F&GP to consider Clerk has already sent comments.
- 3. Emails to Rights of Way re complaints from Sarah & Yvette, they advise the minimum standards are on their website.
- 3a. reference numbers for complaints to HCC Rights of Way are 111001115952 & 111001115960

- 4. Various emails trying to book venues for planning in July& August.
- 5. Mr Bennett would like permission to continue to cull rabbits along the Old Railway Line & on Easton Playing Field? Pass to the Trustees of the Easton Playing Field.
- 6. Copy emails between Chris Ashton (WCC) & James Fulton re traffic speeding issues in Martyr Worthy.
- 7. Email to Jackie Porter requesting assistance in clearing footpaths covered by reference their numbers.
- 8. SLR a lot of paperwork resulting in the scheme being sent to HCC and approved, I have made a funding application that has been lost and I am liaising with Cllr Porter to make another one. (I have full policy documents on file.)
- 9. HCC copy letter re Section 25 Dedication of Public Footpath by HCC Disused Railway Line Itchen Valley Noted.
- 10. Email re Noise at Boomtown from Fiona Stubbs.
- 11. WCC Open space funding for the Nest swing has been approved.
- 12. Countryside Service Temporary Closure Itchen Valley bridleway 2.
- 13. HARAH Community Action Hampshire questionnaire re Exception Schemes in our Parish?
- 14. WACA AGM on Thursday 25th October 2012 anyone interested in attending?
- 15. A Slice of the Action: Making the most of the green economy in Winchester 2/10/2012 6:30pm in Winchester anyone wishing to attend?
- 16. Email re the gap closures along the A31 from Vernon Tottle.
- 17. Email (copy) to all Cllrs from Penny re Responsibilities and contact details.
- **8.152** Date of the Next meeting Itchen Abbas 4th October 2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed.