

ITCHEN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL
(Serving the villages of: Avington, Easton, Itchen Abbas & Martyr Worthy)
Minutes of the Meeting
September 5th 2013

Attending: - Cllr Flemons - Chairman
 Cllr Mrs Robinson

Cllr Mrs Howells
 Cllr Powe

Cllr Riley

Clerk Vivienne A Brooks. HCC – Cllr Mrs Porter

13.49 Apologies: Were received from Cllr's Kennedy, Moffatt & Appleby & WCC Cllr Gottlieb.
 Cllr Mezger has resigned.

13.50 Public Participation.

Southern Water – Mr Winter & Walsh regarding the installation of a new pump and line from Avington to Easton for those residents that do not have a septic tank.
 4 local residents were in attendance.

The initial design was for a trench but now the proposal is for (mole) directional drilling to complete the task. The planning permission does not allow for verge drilling but straight up the road. However this can be done with adequate road management and notice.

Mr Walsh outlined the task and answered question with regard to smell, noise of the pumps operation and the function and form of the "filtration stack". Mr Walsh was able to reassure residents on these point and he will deal with Cllr Flemons to find a referral site and get the specification of the stack.

The manholes will be sealed and the pump only comes into operation to pump the waste through mixed with water when levels dictate. It will not be pumping 24/7. However concern from both sides was raised considering the fluctuation of the electrical supply to Avington. More exploratory works will be undertaken and it is hope to feedback information via the Council and works should commence in November. The planning permission expires in December 2013.

13.51 County Councillors Reports - attached in full with these minutes.

13.52 The Minutes of July 4th 2013

The minutes of July 4th were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

13.53 Finance Committee – pass minutes to October meeting**a) Accounts to be paid as listed.**

	£
300054 V Brooks (July)	£244.60
300055 HMRC (July)	£55.05
300056 Came & Co (war memorial)	£155.35
300057 Hedge Sparrow (paths strimmed)	£336.00
300058 S Electric (George V)	£44.99
300059 V Brooks (Aug)	£241.00
300060 HMRC (Aug)	£55.05
300061 Littleton Landscaping	£80.00 –SLR Light

We did not have a meeting in August so all accounts were to be considered at this meeting. The accounts were agreed and the cheques signed.

b) Budgets.

The Clerk requested that all Councillors consider their funding requirements for 2014/15.

13.54 Public Transport and Bus Shelters – Cllr Powe.

Basically do we want to retain, repair or replace the shelters that we have. To refurbish all would be at a cost of approximately £9,000. Easton bus shelter is in the worse condition and it needs replacing. The next priority would be one at Couch Green on the side opposite the stop where people use it to access the Winchester Bus.

The Clerk will seek funding from local groups and the Sustainability Transport fund at the County. Prices will be researched for a steel and Perspex shelter for Easton as the hardwood ones are too expensive. Plus a budget put in place for the new shelter at Couch Green. The Clerk suggested we hire two days labour and provide materials to refurbish the other shelters and set a budget for works at the next Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting. (SDNP may also have a fund we can access for transport within the park.)

13.55 Planning – any further applications.

Application withdrawn:- SDNP/13/02998/LIS Church Cottage

New application ;:- SDNP 13/03722/HOUS Valley Cottage Easton.

First floor rear bedroom over existing breakfast room.

13.56 Parish Plan

The business questionnaires are coming in, we have been delayed over the summer months. The Children's papers are being prepared and it was suggested that Mr Michelfield should consider contacting the Sunday School Group as well.

13.57 Boomtown – report on any issues.

Cllr Porter –had attended the shake down meeting the issues raised were mainly on highway issues, there were only 7 noise complaints, the Clerk commented that Cheriton Parish Council were happy with Boomtown this year. The event organisers had implemented a 65hertz sound level which took the base down. We do still have trouble with pedestrians in the road, and everyone leaving site on the same day. But all in all it's improving. The spitfire link closure would also be useful, and traffic management will be reviewed in total.

13.58 Footpath Matters – Cllr Robinson

Hedge Sparrow had undertaken works for use and things had improved. An area of concern is the two benches that have rotted in the ground at Avington and Cow Down. We hope to have them repaired and set in concrete as they are well used.

Lengthsman nothing to report – tender documentation to be sent to Cllr Riley.

Impey Bridge – needs repair and also the banks are eroding and the owner needs to take steps to reinstate the area.

13.59 Highways – pass report to October.**13.60 Village Hall Representatives.**

Easton – Vacancy for a representative.

Martyr Worthy –None

Itchen Abbas & Avington – None.

13.61 Open Spaces – Cllr Riley

Football is being requested for Couch Green the Clerk asked that she be permitted access to look at the building, we would need to reinstate the electrics and whilst they have new shower 's they have not been used in 3 years and they would all have to be Pat tested. The Council requests that Cllr Kennedy papers a budget for reinstalling the water, electric and how much annual costs can we expect? Should we decide to start using the pavilion.

Cricket Club – will be asked is they have applied for grants and when are works to commence?

Goal posts – the Clerk had researched a company and we can replace the goals at a cost of £1000 for two pairs. This expenses was agreed but the play equipment costs pass to the next Full Council Meeting in October,

13.62 Web Design – Cllr Riley.

Hope to be live on the 1st of October. A list of requirements was passed to Councillors for information required. The Clerk asked that members are aware of the need for their list of interests to be published or possibly by a link to their page on Winchester City Council.

Cllr Riley will be the webmaster and the Clerk agreed to also put information on the pages. It will be constantly updated by village's events and council meetings and agendas. Cllr Riley requested links to local magazines would also be welcome, plus on the Google map where should it be centred? Itchen Abbas.

13.63 Councillors Questions.

New Perspex required for Couch Green notice board.
The Avington Oak is dead!.

13.64 Correspondence.

1. WCC – List of Meetings to 28th October 2013
2. Countryside Access Team – list of cuts to areas up to September 2013
3. Email from HALC re above.
4. SEE Extension to lighting contract I did write regarding the contract but no reply.
5. Email re completing the King Georges Field Martyr Worthy – completed online with Cllr Kennedy's assistance.
6. Email re National Flood Forum copied to Cllr Riley on 30/7/2013
7. Invitation to attend a meeting to discuss the future of River Park leisure Centre – 26th September 2013 – Cllr Riley will attend.
8. Emails re works to Hope Cottage, Easton – no response yet.
9. Various Countrywatch issues sent out through the summer.

13.65 Date of the Next Meeting – October 3rd 2013 at IA & A Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9:15pm