

CONFIRMED MINUTES

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SHERFIELD-ON-LODDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE LIDDELL HALL AT 7:30 PM ON WEDNESDAY 11th November 2009.

Present

Brian Archer
Bruce Batting
Ken Clark
Ivan Gosden (Chairman)
Sally Hennessey
Sandy Johnston
David Leivesley
Lucy Marshall

In attendance

Jayne Hawkins (Parish Clerk)
Ranil Jayawardena.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

5967 Apologies were received and accepted from Bruce Jones, Loraine Smith, Mandy Jewell, Keith Chapman and Rhydian Vaughn

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5968 None

3. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 9th SEPTEMBER

5969 Brian Archer was added to list of attendees. Minutes were then approved this was proposed by Lucy Marshall and seconded by David Leivesley . Minutes were signed as a true reflection of Meeting.

4. TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF CRIME AND DISORDER

5970 The neighbourhood watch report was reviewed.

OPEN FORUM: The meeting was temporarily adjourned

5. TO INFORM ON PARISH COMMITTEES

5971 The Chairman listed the Parish Councillors on each Committee and reminded Parish Councillors that everyone is invited to attend all committee meetings but only committee members can propose, second or vote at a committee meeting.

Finance: **Lucy Marshall**, Ivan Gosden, Sandy Johnston, Bruce Batting, Ken Clark

Planning: **Bruce Batting**, Ivan Gosden, Sandy Johnston, Sally Hennessey, David Leivesley, Bruce Jones

Leisure: **Sandy Johnston**, Ivan Gosden, Bruce Batting, Loraine Smith, Bruce Jones, Brian Archer, David Leivesley

David Leivesley was appointed to the Finance and General Purposes Committee this was proposed by Lucy Marshall and seconded by Bruce Batting and unanimously agreed.

6. TO DISCUSS NEW TRUSTEES FOR VILLAGE CHARITIES COMMITTEE

5972 Sandy Johnston volunteered to represent the Parish Council on the village charities committee following the resignation of Tracy Lander-Sims. Lucy Marshall thought that two people had been nominated in 2008, clerk to check minutes.

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7. TO DISCUSS INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE

5973 Chairman reported that the clerk has received a proposal from HALC for a new internal audit service run by Eleanor Green. Bruce Batting proposed that the Parish Council sign the letter of engagement from Hampshire Association of Local Councils in acceptance of the internal audit service being offered. This was seconded by Brian Archer and unanimously agreed.

8. TO DISCUSS PARISH COUNCIL RUNNING THE VILLAGE FETE

5974 It was proposed that the Village Fete Committee would be run in future by the Parish Council. Ivan Gosden confirmed that the current Fete Committee had been consulted and were happy with this proposal. Ivan Gosden proposed that Bruce Batting and Brian Archer were elected onto the committee this was seconded by Ken Clark and agreed by all, Ivan Gosden proposed that Jane Brydges, Nick Robinson and Natalie Larner were co-opted onto the Fete Committee; this was seconded by Sandy Johnston and agreed by all. The Chairman (Ivan Gosden) and the Vice Chairman (Sandy Johnston), ex-officio, shall be voting members of the Fete Committee.

The Chairman reported that the Fete in 2010 would support the following charities: Village Hall, Help the Heros and other Village Charities.

9. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC CALMING SURVEY ON BRAMLEY ROAD AND OLD READING ROAD

5975 The Chairman reported that the results of the traffic calming survey were available and had been analysed by Hampshire County Council. Generally speeds recorded were low on Bramley road, Reading Road and Gaiger Avenue. Average speeds just above 30 were recorded on Reading Road by the Chicanes where a few cars speed up to get through the chicanes before cars come the other way.

It was decided that possible traffic calming options would be discussed at the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on the 18th November.

10. TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON VILLAGE GREEN

5976 The Chairman reported that a village green meeting had taken place on the 3rd November where it was agreed that people interested in helping to look after the Village Green would meet 4 times a year. Any recommendations from these meetings would be considered by the Parish Council at the Leisure Committee and Finance and General Purposes Committee meetings. The next Village Green Meeting would be on 2nd February 2010.

The Chairman reported that work on centre ditch had started and that trees to be retained had been tagged by John Atwood.

11. TO DISCUSS TRIM TRAIL QUOTE FROM FAWNS

5977 Sandy Johnston presented a revised plan of a trim trail which he suggested could be installed around the edges of centre green. There were 16 stations in the revised plan which would cost approximately £10.5K. Other options that had been considered were a play boulder which would cost approximately 11K and a high net climbing frame also costing approximately 11K.

Discussions took place about positioning the trim trail stations such that they blended into the landscape.

Bruce Batting proposed that a grant application was made to Loddon and Eversley LEADER for funding for the trim trail to cover the purchase and installation of the equipment; this was seconded by Lucy Marshall and unanimously agreed.

Sandy Johnston reported that he had agreed a location for a Blue Cedar to be planted on the Green and had kept the tree warden informed.

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12. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON BURIAL GROUND PLANNING AND PLOTTING

5978 The Chairman reported that when the existing burial ground is closed by an order in court a request can be made to allow burials in existing double plots and a request to keep the garden of remembrance open for cremations. The Clerk reported that a fence between the existing burial ground and the new burial ground was not a legal requirement after checking the original planning application and asking the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management.

Bruce Batting showed 3 drawings of the proposed new entrance off the A33 with various options for allowing sufficient turning space for a skip lorry. Bruce Batting to progress planning permission of new entrance

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13. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE DITCH CLEARING PROGRAMME FOR 2009/2010 TO INCLUDE CENTRE DITCH

5979 Ivan Gosden reported that the Bulpitt Brothers were waiting for more rainfall before starting the next phase of the ditch clearance programme and that they will be clearing the ditch along the Bramley Road as soon as all the leaves have fallen. Work on Centre Ditch started on 9th November unfortunately the notice to inform the public did not get into the Loddon Link due to lack of space.

14. TO DISCUSS ALLOTMENT GRANT

5980 The Chairman reported that there is no green waste collection service in Hampshire that could collect from the allotments. It was agreed that the two compost bins should be built and both used for green waste only, one side to be used first, when full move to other one and use compost from first one. A skip for non compostable waste would be made available once a year. Clerk to check with Elaine Still if position on collecting green waste is likely to change.

Clerk

It was agreed that the new water pipes and trough would be installed by the main contractor who would install the waste bins.

15. TO DISCUSS PARISH EMERGENCY PLAN

5981 Chariman reported that BDAPTC was encouraging Parishes to update or prepare an emergency plan. Lucy Marshall suggested that the existing flood plan was reviewed and updated. It was agreed that the Clerk would start a review and seek advice from Lucy Marshall and Sandy Johnston.

Clerk

16. TO DISCUSS POLICY REVIEWS AND QUESTIONAIRES

5982 It was agreed that the following policy reviews and questionnaires requiring a response from the Parish Council would be handed out to Councillors to review or complete. They would then be returned to the clerk for sending in, copying and filing.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service Plan 2010 to 2013, comments by 11th December
Consultation Questionnaire on hackney carriage vehicles, response by 24th December
Gambling act policy review, comments by 30th November
Hampshire Local Councils Survey, by 27th November

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17. TO RECIEVE THE MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT

5983 The report for October was accepted. The clerk agreed to contact the Bulpitt Brothers and ask them to quote for fixing the path behind the football pavillion

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18. TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT AND ANY QUOTATIONS

5984 Acceptance of the following report was proposed by Ken Clark and seconded by Lucy Marshall and all present were in favour.

Sherfield on Loddon Parish Bank Accounts Summary as at 31st October 2009				
Financial Year ending 31/3/2010	Petty Cash	HSBC Current A/C	HSBC Deposit account	Grand Total
Closing balance per Sept. Statement		£ 26,190.43	£ 45,010.51	£ 71,200.94
Income - Credits received at bank in Oct		£ 749.70	£ 15,002.91	£ 15,752.61
Expenditure - Cheques presented in Oct		£ 18,117.19	£ -	£ 18,117.19
Petty Cash at hand	£ 50.00			£ 50.00
Closing balance per Oct. Statement (cash at bank and in hand)	£ 50.00	£ 8,822.94	£ 60,013.42	£ 68,886.36
Approval for payments due in November				
Employment Costs: November				£ 1,105.63
Four Winds Tennis Court Maintenance - Moss Treatment				£ 150.00
Ben Stoopman				£ 36.00
MW (Building Contractors) Ltd				£ 2,242.50
Elliots Landscaping				£ 350.00
J. Hawkins Expenses (3 padlocks £77.76, stamps £14,58)				£ 92.34
Mals Garden Services - rotivating plot 7 and clearing rubbish plot 7				£ 45.00
Sherfield Village Hall				£ 54.00
Elliots landscaping				£ 100.00
Bulpitt Brothers of Bramley				£ 20.00
Total Payments for November				£ 4,195.47
For your information and retrospective approval				
Basingstoke Skip Hire (raised and paid on delivery of skip 20/10/09)				£ 189.75

The Clerk agreed to Check which Parish Councillors have authority to sign cheques and to get mandate forms for those not currently set up.

Clerk

19. TO RECEIVE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) 5985 Planning

Application No: BDB/71475

Location: 8 Breach Gardens, Sherfield-on-Loddon, Hook, RG27 0AW

Proposal: Conversion of loft to living accommodation with installation of rooflight

PC Decision: No objections to the application were raised

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APPROVALS BY B&D BC BY REPORT

Application No: BDB/71002

Location: Star-ceda, Reading Road, Sherfield-on-loddon, Hook, RG27 OEP

Proposal: Erection of a single storey side/rear extension

Decision: Granted

Application No: BDB/ 70798

Location: Wyevale Garden Centre, Wildmoor Lane, Sherfield-on-loddon, Hook, RG27 OHL

Proposal: Display of 1 no. non-illuminated pole mounted sign (retrospective)

Decision: Refused

Application No: BDB/ 71073

Location: Dursley Cottages, Sherfield Green, Sherfield-on-loddon

Proposal: Erection of a detached garage with store above following the demolition of existing storage building. Replacement of existing flat roofs over bay windows and front porch with pitched roofs

Decision: Refused

Application No: BDB/70945

Location: 42 Northfield Road, Sherfield-on-loddon, Hook, RG27 ODN

Proposal: Erection of two storey and single storey side extensions and erection of a single storey front extension

Decision: Granted

Application No: BDB/70940

Location: 3 Hams Corner, Sherfield-on-loddon, Hook, RG27 OHP

Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extensions, insertion of first floor window to left side elevation and retrospective conversion of existing garage to living accommodation.

Decision: Granted

Application No: BDB/70013

Location: Taylors Farm, Taylors Lane, Sherfield-on-loddon, Hook, RG27 OJF

Proposal: Reserved matters application (Phase 9) for the siting, design, external appearance, access and landscaping for the erection of 243 no. dwellings pursuant to outline planning permission BDB/55134

Decision: Granted

(b) Allotments

5986 Bruce Batting reported that two plots had come available and were being offered to the next two people on the waiting list. Bruce Batting reported that at the AGM the allotment holders had agreed to an external judge for next years allotment competition. Natalie Larnar had made a presentation on the Sherfield Show, allotment holders requested that the show be held slightly earlier in the year when their crops were at their best.

(c) Play area & BMX track

5987 The Chairman reported that there had been some graffiti at the Play areas. Clerk to contact Basingstoke and Deane to request that the graffiti is removed.

(d) Football and cricket grounds/pavilions

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5988 Ken Clark reported that he had investigated available grants for the football pavilion. He had contacted Big Lottery Fund, Support England and Sports Aid. Ken agreed to follow up leads and report back

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(e) Tennis courts

5989 It was reported that the income for the tennis courts was £28.20 in October.

(f) Schools

5990 Nothing to report

(g) Sherfield Park Community Association

5991 David Leivesley reported that Basingstoke and Deane Sports Facilities Management Team had given an interesting talk to the Association. David Leivesley would be meeting with Maria Millar to discuss the issue of no post box at Taylors Farm.

(h) Village Hall

5992 Bruce Batting reported that advice had been received by Herbert Smith with regard to the insurance claim.

20. DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

5993 The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 9th December 2009.

The meeting closed at 9:15pm.