

# CONFIRMED MINUTES

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SHERFIELD-ON-LODDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE LIDDELL HALL AT 7:30 PM ON WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2008.

### **Present**

Bruce Batting  
Ivan Gosden  
Sandy Johnston  
Tracy Lander-Sims  
Lucy Marshall  
David Leivesley  
Bruce Jones

### **In attendance**

Rhydian Vaughan  
Ranil Jayawardena  
PC Jewell  
Elaine Still  
Fiona Craig (Parish Clerk)  
Eleanor ? Gazette

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**5627** Apologies had been received from Brian Archer, Loraine Smith and Richard Gaiger

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**5628** There were no declarations of interest

### **3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**5629** The minutes were signed as a true record of the meeting.

### **4. TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF CRIME & DISORDER**

**5630** The neighbourhood Watch report showing trends in crime in the area was reviewed.

### **OPEN FORUM**

The meeting was temporarily adjourned

### **5. TO DECIDE ON REPLACEMENT BUS SHELTER DESIGN FOR BRAMLEY ROAD.**

**5631** A brick design was chosen

### **6. TO DECIDE WHETHER THE PARISH COUNCIL SHOULD PAY FOR MONTHLY PEST CONTROL TREATMENT FOR PLAY AREAS AND YOUTH FOOTBALL PITCH**

**5632** It was agreed that Loddon Sports FC should be asked to contribute to 1/3 of the costs of the monthly treatment. The clerk was asked to obtain three quotations for review at the next meeting.

### **7. RESOLUTION TO CHANGE STANDING ORDERS re CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN'S LENGTH OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE.**

**5633** The amendment was proposed by Ivan Gosden and seconded by Tracy Lander-Sims, the wording is as follows :

**Tenure of office of Chairman and Vice-Chairman:** The Maximum period of continuous tenure of the office of Chairman and Vice Chairman is four years for each office after which a break of office of 12 months will be required. A Vice Chairman may at the end of four years service be appointed as Chairman. At the end of a four year period of service as Chairman that officer may not be appointed as Vice Chairman for a period of 12 months.

The above recommendation notwithstanding section 15(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 which provides for election of the Chairman annually.

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### **8. TO UPDATE ON ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONDITIONS AT BREACH LANE AND WYEVALE GARDEN CENTRE**

**5634** The Planning Enforcement department at Basingstoke & Deane have requested that Wyevale Garden Centre apply for retrospective permission for their sign or change it for a smaller one and that Antler Homes erect signage in the parking bay at Breach Gardens to clearly mark that the bay is for Post Office customers. The enforcement officers confirmed that a requirement to replace Cherry Trees on Breach Lane had not been included in the planning permission for Breach Gardens.

### **9. TO UPDATE ON THE SCHEME FOR PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC REFUGE ON BRAMLEY ROAD**

**5635** Ian Robertson from Basingstoke & Deane BC has advised that there is S106 money available and it could possibly be used for this purpose. There are some issues to be resolved with the Environment Agency re pipe work for the ditch when the road is widened. Rhydian Vaughan (Borough Councillor) agreed to follow up on this project and report back to the Parish Council in October

### **10. TO REVIEW PROGRESS OF REQUIREMENT FOR BRAMLEY SCHOOL BUS TO BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED**

**5636** Keith Chapman had liaised with HCC on the behalf of the Parish and it had been confirmed that there is a contractual requirement for bus companies to label school vehicles. It was reported that so far, since the start of the autumn term Mortons had shown a sign in the rear window of the bus.

### **11. TO AGREE NOMINATIVE TRUSTEES FOR VILLAGE CHARITIES**

**5637** Tracy Lander-Sims and Bruce Jones volunteered to serve a four year term with the charities as Parish Council representatives.

### **12. TO DISCUSS WHAT IMPROVEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO THE NORTHFIELD ROAD PATHWAY**

**5638** There have been complaints from residents about the overgrown stinging nettles and their impact on young children using the pathway, and the Parish Council arranged for the nettles to be strimmed in August, following this, there have been complaints from other residents who wish the nettles to be left in situ to encourage Butterflies. The Parish Council decided that other areas of the village especially around Golden Pond could be left with nettles but that the footpath should be made free of nettles and safe for young children. The clerk was asked to arrange for a quotation to spray the nettles. The clerk was also asked to request that resident who owns the hedge along the pathway cut it back again.

### **13. TO RECEIVE MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT**

**5639** The Finance report, payments, transfers and pathway clearance quotation were accepted; this was proposed by Ivan Gosden and seconded by Lucy Marshall. Bruce Batting signed the bank statements as agreeing to the bank reconciliation.

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## Reconciliation of the Sherfield on Loddon Parish Bank Accounts as at 31 August 2008

Financial Year ending 31/3/09	PETTY CASH	HSBC Current A/C	Bank of Ireland Deposit A/C	Grand Total
<b>Opening Balance per August statement</b>		2,763.16	35,508.58	38,271.74
<b>Income - Credits received at bank in August</b>		1,154.48	126.95	1,281.43
<b>Expenditure - Cheques presented in August</b>		2,051.61		2,051.61
Petty Cash at Hand	50.00			50.00
<b>Closing Balance per August Statement (Cash at bank and in hand)</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>1,866.03</b>	<b>35,635.53</b>	<b>37,551.56</b>

### Approval for payments due in September

Employment Costs (Clerk & Litter Warden)	£1,112.41
Clerk's Expenses (Stationery, Burial Ground Course, Best Allotment prize vouchers)	£141.80
Bulpitt Brothers Grass Cutting (Jul)	£133.00
Bulpitt Brothers Grass Cutting (Aug)	£114.00
Bulpitt Brothers (Tennis Court & BMX track clearance)	£260.00
Bulpitt Brothers Work on Green	£500.00
Basingstoke Trophies (Allotment Trophies)	£20.15
Townsend Tree Services	£1,410.00
Cryer Sandham (Audit Fee)	£352.50
Information Commissioner's Office	£35.00
Royal British Legion Donation (3 Wreaths ordered - costs of £51)	£100.00
Village Hall Booking Charge - July	£12.00
JL Bryce Pest Control	£57.80
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>£4,248.66</b>

#### 1) Approval for September Payments

2) Signature on Bank Statements to confirm reconciliation above agrees to statements

3) Approval for Transfer from Bol savings account of £4200

NOTE- Clerk's pension not yet in place, catch up expected in October

#### Estimates for Approval

1. Bulpitts- cut back overgrown footpath behind Village Hall £60

### 14. TO RECEIVE MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT

**5640** The report identified that the safety wire netting on the bridge by Dove Cottage needs replacing. Richard Gaiger had agreed to replace this and Bruce Batting said he would remind him.

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### 15. TO DISCUSS SAFETY OF SLEEPER FOOTBRIDGE BY DOVE COTTAGE

**5641** This was discussed under the heading of Monthly Safety Report (minute 5640)

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### **16. TO REQUEST REMOVAL OF RAGWORT ALONG A33, SHERFIELD ON LODDON**

**5642** Bruce Batting agreed to speak to Peter Eade about this as this is along a highway it falls to HCC to carry out, the Parish Council are not allowed to carry out work along the highways.

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### **17. TO AGREE PARISH PLAN TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

**5643** Bruce Batting agreed to speak to June Balcombe and see if she would come to a village meeting where hopefully several groups would be represented, such as Women's Institute, Evergreens and Toddler groups.

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### **18. TO RECIEVE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT – FUTURE OF FREIGHT IN HAMPSHIRE**

**5644** David Leivesley agreed to respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

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### **19. TO RECEIVE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **(a) Planning Committee**

**5645** The minutes of the meetings held in July and August been circulated.

The following applications were considered at the meetings:

#### **Application No: BDB/69109**

**Location:** Sanguillo Cottage, Wildmoor Lane, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0JD

**Proposal:** Erection of a two storey side and rear extension following demolition of existing single storey extension.

**Grid Ref:** 467439,156578

**PC Decision:** No Objection

#### **Application No: BDB/69238**

**Location:** 5 Fernhill Place, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0SJ

**Proposal:** Erection of a rear conservatory

**Grid Ref:** 466804,156367

**PC Decision** No objection

#### **Application No: BDB/69225**

**Location:** Taylors Farm, Taylors Lane, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0JF

**Proposal:** Reserved Matters application for the access, appearance, layout and scale of part two storey, part single storey community and sports facility, sports pitches and car parking.

**Grid Ref:** 466330,156517

**PC Decision:** No Objection

#### **Application No: BDB/69221**

**Location:** Winton Cottage, Sherfield Green, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0EN

**Proposal:** ¾ tile hanging of end wall to prevent further water damage.

**Grid Ref:** 467778,157604

**PC Decision:** No Objection

#### **Application No: BDB/69299**

**Location:** Telephone Exchange, Reading Road, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook,

**Proposal:** T1 Sycamore tree Crown reduce, thin and shape by 20%. Crown lift by 5 metres, T2 Yew tree crown lift by 5 metres, T3 Ash tree crown reduce by 15%, T4 Oak tree crown lift by 4 metres.

**Grid Ref:** 468010,157443

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**PC Decision:** No Objection

**Application No: T610-08**

**Location:** The Laurels , Greenway, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook,

**Proposal:** Fell and remove 1 fir tree.

**PC Decision:** No Objection

**APPROVALS BY BDBC FOR REPORT**

**Application No: BDB/68379**

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

**Proposal:** Erection of a conservatory

**Application No: BDB/68496**

**Location:** 8 Reading Road, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0AA

**Proposal:** Erection of single storey rear extension and front porch.

**REFUSALS BY BDBC FOR REPORT**

**Application No: BDB/68418**

**Location:** Land at Taylor's Farm, East of Petty's Copse, Sherfield on Loddon

**Proposal:** Erection of 60 residential dwellings

**Application No: BDB/68614**

**Location:** 35 Goddards Close, Sherfield on Loddon, RG27 0EG

**Proposal:** Erection of single storey front and rear extension and two storey side extension

**Application No: BDB/68468**

**Location:** 3 Hams Corner, Sherfield on Loddon, RG27 0HP

**Proposal:** Erection of single storey rear extension

**Application No: BDB/68616**

**Location:** West Stow, Sherfield on Loddon, RG27 0EN

**Proposal:** Alteration to roof involving raising height of eaves and construction of 2 no. dormers in front elevation and 1 no dormer in side elevation. Insertion of roof light. Juliet balcony to rear elevation and new pitched roof to existing single storey rear element.

**Application No: BDB/68390**

**Location:** Bowlings, Goddards Lane, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0EL

**Proposal:** Erection of detached games room with accommodation above and construction of external staircase. Construction of pitched roof over existing garage.

**(b) Allotments**

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**5646** Tracy Lander-Sims reported that 2 and half plots are available and that the annual allotment meeting will take place in October.

**(c) Play area & BMX track**

**5647** Good usage of both was reported, it was noted that the sign needs to be put up.

Sandy Johnston gave a report on the Institute of Groundsman exhibition he had attended with the Chairman and Clerk and introduced the idea of an adult exercise area, where an area could be set aside for the use of specialist outdoor equipment to promote adult health.

**(d) Village Green**

**5648** It was noted that the position for Tony Sumner's memorial bench has been agreed. Bruce Batting commented that Greenway had improved since John Attwood had put the kerb and drain around his property.

**(e) Football and cricket grounds/pavilions**

**5649** Sherfield FC has been reported to the FA due to the poor state of repair of the pavilion.

**(f) Tennis courts**

**5650** The Clerk had collected £280 of donations from The Shop for Tennis court usage in July and August.

**(g) Schools**

**5651** There was nothing to report. .

**(h) Sherfield Park Residents Association**

**5652** There was no report as there had not been a meeting in August.

**(i) Village Hall**

**5653** It was reported that work will be carried out in the Village Hall car park to extract petrol residue (from the leakage last summer) from the ground, the trustees have not been given a start date yet.

**20. DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**5654** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October