

## Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2008

**Present**            Peter Lemaire (PL), Chair                    Paul Humphrey (PH)  
                           Vernon Miners (VM)  
                           David Cooper (DC)                            Melissa Fletcher (MF)  
                           Sue Hill (SH)

<b>Details</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>124. Apologies – TR</b>	
<b>125. Declarations of interest – PL – Village Hall</b>	
<b>126. Minutes of last meeting –</b> <u>RESOLVED</u> – All agreed they were an accurate representation.	
<b>127. Matters arising – to be reported under relevant sections.</b>	
a) Outstanding cricket payment – <u>RESOLVED</u> – PL to visit Gary Condon to follow up on outstanding payment.	<b>PL</b>
b) Donations for roof - <u>RESOLVED</u> – SH to write to those who gave donations.	<b>SH</b>
c) Core strategy – <u>RESOLVED</u> - DC/PL to draw up list of comments when at meeting in Feb	<b>DC/PL</b>
d) Litter bins – <u>RESOLVED</u> – litter bins from Martyns Way and Benson Road to be repositioned	<b>SH</b>
e) Ewelme Manor – <u>RESOLVED</u> - SH to contact Trust re open day	<b>SH</b>
f) Ditch in Parsons Lane – <u>RESOLVED</u> – VM to talk to Land owners re clearing	<b>VM</b>
g) Donated goal posts – <u>RESOLVED</u> - VM to contact No.9 Chaucer Court	<b>VM</b>
<b>128. Cricket –</b> Planning permission – facts had been presented to SODC. Awaiting response. Distance from football pitches – within FA recommendations Vandalism – Ewelme CC responsible Visual impact – nets to be removed during winter, green nets, poles can be painted. Footpath – at least 3m from path, could be moved further away. Not in line with play area. Insurance – CC will insure. SH to call Council insurers. Maintenance – CC to be responsible. Usage by others – Not a money-raising venture. Could be made available to school. Don't want to encourage opponents. Not ruled out possibility, but will do in discussion with Council. Position – on common above sports area discussed but not liked by all Use of local facilities – does happen, but cost/travel rules out many youngsters. Mobile structure – needs large storage area as not able to dismantle. Villagers comments – awaiting response from Ewelme News <u>RESOLVED</u> – If goes ahead, practice times to be advertised in village. <u>RESOLVED</u> – PL proposed Council support the proposal (positioned in sports area) subject to comments from SODC and villagers. Councillors voted 4 for, 1 against. <u>RESOLVED</u> – Time constraints noted <u>RESOLVED</u> – CC to ensure contractors protected sports area from heavy lorry traffic	<b>SH</b>
<b>129. Thatch/flat roof –</b> Nothing to report	
<b>130. State of roads/Buses –</b> Keep Clear markings – <u>RESOLVED</u> – Councillors noted SH awaiting response from OCC. Roads - <u>RESOLVED</u> – Flooding in Eyres Lane, Firebrass Hill, Cottesmore Lane and Pyttals	<b>SH</b>

- due to ditches being blocked  
RESOLVED – Tree down in Parsons Lane SH  
 Fly tipping –  
RESOLVED – SH to report flytipping in Eyres Lane, Swyncombe Road, Pyttals, by SH  
 Common  
 Signs - SH  
RESOLVED – School sign in Days Lane needs clearing  
 DC proposed new signage for car park -  
RESOLVED – All agreed to new signs at bottom of Days Lane, on triangle, at SH  
 junctions of Parson's Lane/High St and Parson's Lane/Cat Lane, and by Shepherds  
 Hut. Some to replace duplicate signs where appropriate and all to be placed on  
 existing posts.  
 Buses –  
 DC had submitted comments re bus service incorporating councils comments and  
 suggestions for re-routing.
- 131. RAF –**  
 PL reported that Flt Lt Russ Smith had moved away.  
RESOLVED – Noted
- 132. Play area/pavilion**  
 Water heater leaking.  
RESOLVED – VM to sort out.
- 133. Parish Plan –**  
 Nothing to report
- 134. Health & Safety –**  
 Nothing to report
- 135. Watercress Beds –**  
 VM reported that correspondence had been sent out mentioning changes to the  
 position of Warden. This had not been confirmed officially.  
RESOLVED – SH to email (with receipt on) Robin Pearce stating Council's SH  
 disappointment at the way this has been done, ie, not from the Management  
 Committee.
- 136. Planning -**  
 Manor Cottage – Conversion of existing cottage into 2 x 1 bed flats. New dormers  
 on SE elevation.  
RESOLVED – SH to contact planners re parking, listed building status and whether SH  
 this will be restricted to alms people so that councillors can make a decision.
- 137. County/District Councillor's report –**  
 Sue Cooper:  
 i) Council tax - probably a modest increase.  
 ii) New performance plan  
 iii) Community safety consultation document  
 iv) Core strategy  
RESOLVED - noted
- 138. Correspondence –**  
*Councillors informed ahead of meeting items to note:*  
 a) SODC – Meeting for core strategy. PL/DC to attend.  
RESOLVED - noted  
 b) ORCC – Meeting about Office Changes to Post Office Network.  
RESOLVED – noted
- Items discussed under relevant sections:*  
 a) Sir Michael and Lady Jay – support for practise cricket wicket  
RESOLVED - noted  
 b) Village Hall Management Committee, Bob McDonald Gibson – Thanking  
 council for support and informing of news.  
RESOLVED – noted
- Items for discussion:*  
 a) Southern Electric lower price offer  
RESOLVED – SH to find quotes from other suppliers. SH
- Consultations:*

None

**139. Accounts & Administration –**

- a) New income and expenditure, cheques signed as per the form attached to minutes for councillors.

RESOLVED - All invoices paid to date.

- b) SH presented the monthly financial report.

RESOLVED – report noted.

**140. Other issues raised for possible future discussion –**

- a) VM proposed Council consider increasing the size of the car park

RESOLVED – SH to put on Feb agenda

- b) VM proposed council purchase a SID

RESOLVED – await results of parish plan

Signed:

(Chairman)

**SH**

Date:

Date of next meeting – **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2008** at 7.30pm, Village Hall