

Minutes of Parish Council meeting
held on Wednesday 18th June 2008

Present	Peter Lemaire (PL), Chair	Theresa Redgewell (TR)	David Cooper (DC)
	Paul Humphrey (PH)	Melissa Fletcher (MF)	Sue Hill (SH)

- 18. Apologies** – Vernon Miners
- 19. Declarations of interest** – None
- 20. Minutes of last meeting** –
RESOLVED – All agreed they were an accurate representation.
- 21. Matters arising** – to be reported under relevant sections.
- (a) Outstanding cricket payment –
RESOLVED – All agreed this was too old to chase.
- (b) Anti vandal measures on hall flat roof –
RESOLVED – VM proposed that SH buy 2.5 litres paint. PL seconded. All in favour **SH**
- (c) Willow House –
RESOLVED – VM to discuss with Chiltern Soc, VM/SH to arrange for den to be made next spring.
- (d) Risk Assessment –
RESOLVED – All agreed to defer this to next meeting. SH to put on agenda. **DC/SH**
- 22. RAF** – Councillors had met with Station Commander. 50 residents had attended the open meeting. Outcomes: a) testing of engines out of deep maintenance had been moved away from Green Lane, b) meeting set up re tutor aircraft and their usage and c) friendly cricket match set up between RAF and Ewelme CC on August 4th. TR proposed that more be made of the event with food and refreshments, proceeds to RAF charity. RAF to organise.
RESOLVED – all noted and agreed.
TR proposed that the flying height display be done at the event.
RESOLVED – all agreed that the display be done on a different day as long as it was well advertised.
TR Thanked Carol Sawbridge for taking notes at the RAF open evening.
RESOLVED - all agreed.
DC proposed that the Clerk write to the Station Commander to thank him for his attendance.
RESOLVED –
All agreed. **SH**
- 23. State of roads/Buses** –
DC reported big pot holes in Benson Lane, edges of road between school and common. Drains along Benson Road near Cottessmore flooded recently. **SH**
RESOLVED – SH to report to OCC.
RESOLVED - SH to follow up with Anne Truesdale re bus timetable. **SH**
- 24. Audit** –
Since TR had to leave early councillors discussed audit figures.
RESOLVED – Sections 1 and 2 of the audit completed and approved.
Internal auditor to collect books on Friday 20th June.
RESOLVED – noted.

- 25. Play area/pavilion**
DC proposed that pavilion lock be changed since a second key had gone missing and that there be a more secure system for giving out the key.
RESOLVED – To be discussed at next meeting **SH**
Cars were being parked on the common during cricket sessions.
RESOLVED – For all events - cars only to be allowed on common for loading/unloading, then should be removed. SH to advise users. **SH**
- 26. Car park –**
The sub committee had met to discuss possible sites. MF proposed the field belonging to the church by the triangle be investigated for use as a car park. **MF**
RESOLVED – MF identify land owner.
- 27. Parish Plan** – PL handed out draft action plan.
- 28. Health & Safety** – None
- 29. Watercress Beds** – None
- 30. Planning -**
The Hermitage – Amended plans. Councillors felt that the proposed plan would still dominate, was out of proportion and character. The amended plan had swapped bathroom (obscured glass in window) and bedroom (clear glass) possibly making the overlooking problem worse, planting shrubs was not felt to be a suitable solution to the problem. SC to take up with planning office. Councillors felt the application should still be refused.
Master's flat – councillors were not keen on the application being approved without further information. PL to talk to Andrew Markham, SH to find out feelings of Almhouse residents, 2 of whom had complained to PCC about noise levels. SH proposed that all planning applications be given to TR to look at before the meeting for comment/investigation.
RESOLVED – all agreed.
- 31. County/District Councillor's report –**
SC – now on the Community Investment Trust Grant Panel. Reported new money had been located which may filter through to smaller applications.

32. Correspondence –

Councillors informed ahead of meeting items:

(a) SODC - Planning application consultation County Council Planning Matters.
New form for applications.

RESOLVED – Noted

(b) Chilterns Conservation Board – Notice of appointment of date for the
exercise of elector's rights – 9th June to 4 July

RESOLVED – noted

Items discussed under relevant sections: None

Items for discussion:

(a) Alliance Insurance – increasing Fidelity Guarantee

RESOLVED – all agreed to increase the policy to cover £30,000 at a cost of
£69.

SH

(b) Ewelme CC – request for council to pay for roller service

RESOLVED – SH to draft a letter querying other quotes and outstanding jobs.

(c) Thames Valley Police – invite

RESOLVED – noted

SH

Consultations:

SEERA – Review of sub-regional allocation of primary land-won aggregates in the
South East.

OALC – Governance and accountability for Local Councils

RESOLVED - noted

33. 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.

(c) Standing orders.

RESOLVED – All approved.

(d) Risk assessment.

RESOLVED – DC to study it in detail and bring to next meeting if he feels
changes are needed.

DC

34. Other issues raised for possible future discussion –

(a) PH reported that the Chiltern Chase had gone well and thanked council for
the support.

RESOLVED – noted

(b) SH reported that 11 people had responded to the gas article in Ewelme
News. All agreed to ask British Gas if they would do a survey.

RESOLVED – noted

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date:

Date of next meeting – **Wednesday 9th July 2008** at 7.30pm, Village Hall