

These are the unadopted minutes of the Crookham Village Parish Council meeting of 5 April 2004, please refer to the unadopted minutes of the May 2004 meeting for any amendments.

Present: Cllr. S. Ambler (Chairman)
Cllr. P. Collins
Cllr. N. Dent
Cllr. D. Jackson
Cllr. S. Payne
Mrs. C.A. Leversha (Clerk)

224/04 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr. Brooks and Crawley.

225/04 MINUTES OF MEETING OF 1 MARCH 2004 TO APPROVE

Add Cllr. Collins to the list of those present. The Minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

226/04 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA

Standing declaration until the Village Hall item is determined. Cllr. Peter Crawley and Cllr. Paul Collins have both advised that they were members of the Crookham Street Social Club and both advised that they did not regard it as a prejudicial interest and would continue to participate in the village hall negotiations.

227/04 CONSIDER CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

The Chairman reminded Members of their duty to consider the crime and disorder implications of any decisions they might make this evening.

228/04 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (max. 3 minutes per speaker on any matter)

There were no public present.

229/04 CONSULTATION ON DRAFT REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRATEGY

This document is circulating and can be discussed at the next meeting.

230/04 CONSULTATION ON TRUST FOR BASINGSTOKE HOSPITAL

Comments made by Cllr. Crawley were supported by Members. Clerk will respond accordingly.

231/04 PLANNING

(i) General

Goods Vehicle License – defer.

Zephon House - defer.

Chesnuts – the Chairman read to Members a letter received from a company wishing to have the views of the Council with regard to a proposal for developing land to the rear of The Chesnuts and seeking the views of the Parish Council prior to seeking planning permission. Cllr. Jackson said one of the difficulties was that if we comment now we could disbar ourselves from commenting on a planning application when it comes before us. Lengthy debate took place on this and other associated issues. It was agreed that the Clerk would acknowledge the letter and advise we would get back to them in due course.

Action - Clerk

(ii) Trees

Clerk has written to Canal Authority ref the sawn ginkgo tree. Cllr. Dent said having looked at the tree survey list given him by Cllr. Crawley, it was so comprehensive that

he would need a very thick file to cover these tree diameters, he didn't want to waste a lot of time doing anything if Hart Council will not do anything with it. It was agreed to wait until Cllr. Crawley was present before doing anything further.

(iii) Report of the Planning Cttee

Cllr. Jackson spoke to his report.

The report of the Planning Cttee was accepted.

Copies to all noticeboards and Minutes.

(iv) Velmead Community Centre

Defer.

(Post meeting note: Details now received of income and expenditure and copies given to each Cllr.)

232/04 SECTION 106 MONEYS – ZEBON COPSE ESTATE

Defer

Play Area L1

Defer.

233/04 VILLAGE HALL

A request has been received from the WI for help with replacing the floor of the hall. The sum of £2,000 was mentioned. It was suggested that we ask for more detail in view of the life of the hall and perhaps invite someone from the WI along to a meeting.

Action: Clerk

234/04 MATTERS ARISING

(i) **Lea Green**

Dog Waste bin has been installed and no problems identified in weekly check.

(ii) **Community Transport**

Cango information has been distributed via the ZCRA newsletter. Nothing further from Cllr. Brooks.

(iii) **Parish Review**

Defer.

(iv) **Youth Facilities**

Defer

(v) **Risk Assessment Policy**

Defer.

Action: Clerk

(vi) **Parish Plan**

The Chairman and Cllr. Collins are the steering group. Cllr. Collins passed round the table a parish plan he had drawn down from the internet. Copies to Cllrs. Brooks & Crawley.

(vii) **ZC Entrance Gateway**

Defer.

Action: Cllr. Jackson

(viii) **TAG Update**

Defer

Action: Cllr. Jackson

(ix) **Assistant Clerk**

Defer

Action: Chairman & Clerk

235/04 FINANCE

(i) **General**

Letter of thanks from the WI for our annual Grant and hire charges.
 Copy of email regarding the mistake in the annual rate request.
 The Chairman advised that Cllr. Fullbrook had rung him a week ago to say she couldn't be here tonight because she was ill - obviously she knew she would still be ill.

(ii) Treasurer`s report

“1. Since my last report on 1st March, we received, on 5th March, interest on our Bank of Ireland Account of £133.76 in respect of February.

2. On 31 March the following cheques were drawn:

Barclays Bank Account	
100433 Mrs. C.A. Leversha – salary/expenses	
for the qtr (vat £16.10)	£1,280.55
100434 HCC – work at Poulters Bridge	£300.00
Bank of Ireland Account	
Chq. No. 41 – Crookham Village Parish Council	
To finance the above	£1,903.76

3. Our bank balances after the above transactions are:

Bank of Ireland	£45,100.00
Barclays Bank	£427.55

4. The accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 have been prepared and are presented herewith, subject to audit. Also the figures in the usual form with the columns numbered as requested.

5. Cheque for signature:

Barclays Bank Account	
100435 – HAPTC 2004 sub (incl. NALC levy £120)	£385.00
E&OE.”	

Members accepted the Treasurer`s report.

236/04 LIGHTING

(i) General

HCC have advised that energy costs will rise by 20%.

(ii) Vandalised footway lights

Cllr. Jackson has a meeting on Wednesday morning with the repair crew, the manufacturers and the HCC officer. Three lights are still working, two are still leaning – they probably all need to be reset.

237/04 HIGHWAYS - ROADS, PAVEMENTS & FOOTPATHS

(i) General

– Nothing to report.

(ii) A287 Junction Improvements

Letter received from HCC saying the proposals suggested had had some preliminary drawings but it was understood that SSSI and water bourn spring problems, together with land acquisition problems culminated to excessive costs and a scheme has not yet been put into the programme.

Members were not happy with the response and wanted to get together with Crondall Parish Council asking them to join with us (copy them the letter) and get some action on a very dangerous stretch of road – copy to Ward Cllrs and ask one of them to be the champion and follow this through.

Action: Clerk

(iii) TIA for QEB Impact on Crookham Village

Nothing further to report.

(iv) Pilcot Road Footway

Defer

(v) Traffic Calming

Members expressed their disgust at the content of the email from Keith Pauw. How can he equate the 70mph limit on motorways which is frequently flouted. No one suggests you put chicanes on the motorway to slow traffic down – nor does anyone suggest that you raise the 70mph limit.

Members could not understand why the officer should request a “closed” parish council meeting. Members believe he has totally lost the plot.

Members agreed that we separate the issues. Tell him to take out the traffic calming, then deal with the other issues separately. It is the Parish Council’s view that the traffic calming trial on speeds was inconclusive and we want the material removed immediately. Any discussion on changing the speed limits on Crondall Road will be considered by this Council as a separate issue from removal of the buildouts which HCC have already been instructed to remove. Even the speed limit quoted on Pilcot Road appeared to be incorrect. HCC to remove all buildouts immediately and get on with Hitches Lane and Pilcot Road gateways asap.

Action – Clerk

(v) Footpaths General

Defer

(vi) Malthouse Bridge footway

Defer

(viii) Misuse of bridleway & towpath by vehicles

Defer.

239/04 RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED

Circ file: 8.3.04

Copy ltrs/NALC LCR/HDC Agendas & Mins S&GP 8.3.04/Policy Panel 10.3.04/ Standards Cttee 11.3.04/Clerks & Councils Direct/Community Action News & Briefing etc/ Learning point/Standards Board Consultation document/SEERA Minerals Strategy & Management Strategy

Circ: 13.3.04

Copy ltrs/South & Southeast in Bloom/HDC Mins & Agenda Planning Cttee 17.3.04/ Watervoice Meeting 25.3.04/HAPTC Bulletin 210/Hart Matters & miscellaneous leaflets/Communique March 04

Separate circ folder for individual responses required on Consultation Document on NHS Foundation Trust for Basingstoke and North Hampshire – consultation closes 2 May 04

Circ: 24/3/04

Invite to HDC Parish Reception/HDC Council 25.3.04/Defra Broadband/Water Festival/Condulation on RPG9/HAPTC Mail 20-04/21-04/23-04/Octover Poetry Month/Copy ltrs/Playworld Systems catalogue/HDC Mins & Agenda Scrutiny 31.3.03/Licensing 5.4.04.

Circ:29.3.03

Street lighting maintenance 04/05/CPRE TCG News/CPRE Planning Update/rural Matters/Bloom Review/HAPTC Mail 017-0425-04/22-04

Circ: 3.4.04

HDC Agenda & Mins Policy Panel 7.4.04/Cabinet 8.4.04/Copy ltrs

240/04 INFORMATION SHARING & AGENDA ITEMS

Parish Reception – 29 April – Chairman and Cllrs. Collins and Payne will attend.

241/04 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 10 May 2004 at 7.45pm in the WI Hall, The Street, Crookham Village.

The meeting closed at 10.30pm.

