

These are the unadopted Minutes of the meeting of 9 June 2005, please refer to the Minutes of July 2005 for any amendments.

Present: Cllr. S. Ambler (Chairman)
Cllr. Mrs. J. Brooks
Cllr. P. Collins
Cllr. P. Crawley
Cllr. D. Jackson
Mrs. S. Ambler
Mrs. C.A. Leversha (Clerk)

118/05 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Dr. Sinka had sent her apologies.

119/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA

Standing declaration from Cllr. Jackson with regard to being Chairman of the Zebon Copse Residents Association and its connection with the Velmead Community Centre.

120/05 CONSIDER CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

The Chairman asked Members to give due consideration to the crime and disorder implications of any decision they might reach tonight.

121/05 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (maximum of 3 minutes per speaker)

There were no public present.

122/05 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS (Schedule 12a – Section 1001 of LGA 1972)

The Chairman sought permission of Members to exclude the public and press from the meeting due to the sensitive nature of matters to be discussed. This was so Agreed.

123/05 VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE & ADJACENT AREAS

The Chairman reminded Members that the purpose of tonight's meeting had originally been to discuss HDC officer's draft report to Cabinet (on a Confidential basis) and to put forward the points of the Parish Council so that Cabinet were aware of the Parish aspirations.

However, he has now learnt that Viv Evans (CD HDC) has decided that it would not be proper to issue the draft to this Council before it is issued with the final Cabinet reports prior to the meeting in July. The Chairman said he had reiterated to Viv Evans that as an Authority this Council would have dealt with the item under Confidential but Viv Evans maintained his stance on the subject.

Members were extremely unhappy that they would not have sight of the Report prior to its being made public. It was also not known whether the report itself would be Confidential – in which case Members of this Council would not know what had been stated as being the Parish Council stance with regard to the discussions which had taken place over the past few months.

Members again mentioned their concerns with the Minutes of Full Council of 27 January 2005 when Ward Cllr. Jenny Radley had submitted a question on this subject and the Minuted reply was factually incorrect and one sided. Members

were concerned that yet again Hart Council might imply that any breakdown in the handing over of this facility was entirely due to the Parish Council in some way.

RESOLVED: Our four Ward Councillors covering this area should have sight of the draft heads of terms (as issued by Viv Evans) together with Members annotations.

RESOLVED: In the event that the Cabinet Report is Confidential Members agreed that the draft heads of terms – with annotations – be circulated to all Members of Cabinet under the Crookham Village letterhead and advising them that the basis on which the Parish Council has been negotiating is as follows and please bear this in mind when you debate the report sight of which has been denied to the Parish Council.

The Chairman advised the Clerk that he had the original draft heads of terms, together with Members comments in response to each item, and he would forward this to the Clerk.

ACTION: Chairman

ACTION: Clerk

Mrs. Ambler reminded Members that Vicky Leonard (Interim Management Cttee Member) had put forward reasons for the pursuance of a Freehold transfer rather than a Leasehold transfer and it would be appropriate to send this to the Ward Cllrs also.

ACTION: Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

