

These are the unadopted Minutes of the meeting of 7 November 2005, please refer to the unadopted Minutes of the November meeting for any amendments.

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

In attendance: Mrs. J. Ambler, PC Alex Batten and
Ward Cllr. Mrs. J. Radley.

215/05 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies from Cllrs. Ashton and Hall. Cllr. Mrs. Radley will be along after the HDC PAG meeting.

216/05 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

217/05 MINUTES OF THE MEETING 3 OCTOBER 2005 TO APPROVE

The Minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

218/05 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. Standing declaration from Cllr. Ambler with regard to the Velmead Community Centre as being a Member of HDC which is party to the negotiations. Standing declaration from Cllrs. Crawley and Collins with regard to their membership of the Crookham Street Social Club.

219/05 CONSIDER CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

The Chairman reminded Members of their duty to consider the crime and disorder implications that may arise from any decision they may make tonight.

220/05 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members agreed to adjournment of the meeting for public participation. PC Batten said Netherhouse Moor and Swan Way have again had problems with youths coming over the ditch from The Lea. He raised this at one of the Community Safety meetings and is getting as much information as he can as to where they actually come from. They have been banging on people's doors and causing a nuisance to the residents. It is being looked at and the Police need to identify them in order to go back to their parents. He had no information with regard to Zebon Copse and the rest of the patch is quiet.

PC Batten asked how the Council were getting on with their speed signs. A bid had been made for the use of two of the signs when HDC acquire them but no answer received yet. Cllr. Jackson asked with regard to Licensing who did we contact in relation to the Police. PC Batten said that the police had 48 hours to respond to casual licenses and he advised that representations should be sent to Aldershot Police Station and the Admin dept will look at it. Cllr. Crawley asked about The Lea issue, he understood it had been fairly quiet recently and was advised that this is a new problem. He asked for PC Batten's views on the installation of a Youth Shelter at The Lea end of the area. PC Batten said this was certainly worth considering but the Police do not have the manpower to get into communication with the young people. Cllr. Jackson said that provision of a Youth Shelter should be an issue for Cllr. Wheale as it was

in the Fleet & Church Crookham unparished ward. Cllr. Jackson said it would be nice to get the other Beat bobbies along to a meeting and get the residents involved. The meeting was then reconvened.

221/05 CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO RPG9 (WASTE & MINERALS)

The Chairman advised that Cllr. Hall had done a very thorough job on this Consultation. Members agreed with the Chairman that thanks should be recorded for the work which had been done. The Chairman said that the document was very strange and had some odd issues in it. With regard to landfill sites – these were not supposed to go on SSSI's etc but in the text they state that these can happen within 250 metres. Cllr. Jackson said there were two issues, where do you put it and what is the access like? Basically Members felt the questions lead you to the answer "do you agree". Members agreed that they were not happy with regard to the 250 metres limit and would want "**a greater distance from habitation**" added to the answers. Cllr. Jackson asked did it address HWRC because with the move to fortnightly collections there would obviously be more trips to the HWRC by residents. The Chairman said it supports the concept of kerbside recycling and addresses the HWRC uses. Cllr. Jackson asked that we actively support this. He stated that when trying to use a Surrey HWRC he was asked for his address and when he gave it was advised he could not use that Centre. In another area when you pay your council tax you are issued with a Disc which allows you to use the HWRC.

ACTION: Clerk

222/05 PLANNING

(i) General
Nothing to report.

(ii) Trees
Replanting of damaged Gingko – this will be pursued when Leigh Thornton's replacement is in situ. Cllr. Crawley said the yew tree is in the middle of the green at The Wharf this is the site where it needs to be replaced. Cllr. Jackson said the Gingko at the Redfield's end of Zebon Copse has also died. Cllr. Crawley said the one at the Crescent was lost due to vandalism. The one on the Crossways is thriving and the one at the GHR end of Browning Road has unfortunately been cropped at the same time as the hedge was cut. However it is still alive and he intends to erect a bigger stake which might prevent it being cropped again. With regard to the Gingko recently purchased he had yet found a site. He then listed sites and asked for views. Lengthy debate ensued. Two sites were suggested which received support.

ACTION: Cllr. Crawley

With regard to Landmark Trees – Members who had not yet actioned this item agreed to action this after the Parish Questionnaire was finished.

ACTION: Members

(iii) REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Cllr. Jackson spoke to his report. The Report of the Planning Committee was accepted. Copies to all Noticeboards.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

223/05 VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE & ADJACENT AMENITIES

The Chairman explained that as a result of the initial meeting with HDC Members two issues had arisen. These related to the Confidential issue and where meetings were held. The Chairman explained the need for

Confidentiality in relation to staff and commercial financial information and the fact that it was difficult to fit the times when all parties could actually meet with the times the Centre was actually available. Members agreed to the suspension of Standing Orders in relation to the 6 month rule. The Chairman then moved to exclude the Public and Press under S12A Section 1001 of LGA 1972. The meeting was then reconvened in public.

The Chairman moved that the Resolution relating to "Meetings in Public" and "to be held at the Velmead Community Centre" be rescinded and this was unanimously agreed.

The next meeting between HDC and CVPC is the 28 November 2005 at 6pm in the Civic Offices, Fleet.

224/05 MATTERS ARISING

(i) Lea Green

Weekly playground check sheets available for inspection. Damaged fencing – order given to replace.

(ii) Community Transport

Cllr. Mrs. Brooks hoped everyone would have had sight of the Report which was in the circulation file. She brought Members up to date with events and advised that some parishes were withdrawing funding for the Call & Go Service because they were extremely unhappy that the unparished Fleet & Church Crookham residents were getting the benefit of the service whilst not contributing to it financially. Further debate ensued. There is another meeting about transport as a whole on the 24 November at Colden Common.

ACTION: Clerk to write to Kevin and insist that they provide the numbers of passengers from the parish who use this service and how many trips they undertook during the last year. Failure to provide it may jeopardise funding.

(iii) Youth Facilities

The long awaited bus has arrived. Cllr. Jackson was told that if he rang Nigel Pool he could have a trip around the bus which is being refurbished.. There are two buses being kitted out and they hope to go round the schools to show what is provided prior to use out of school hours. Cllr. Jackson said he would put something in the ZCRA newsletter and Cllr. Ambler said he would send him the photos.

ACTION: Cllr. Ambler

(iv) Parish Plan

The Assistant Clerk advised that from the 1,600 questionnaires delivered we had received 485 returns which gave a response rate of over 30%. Approximately half of the returns have been entered into the database. When this is completed preliminary results will be circulated to Members. She has applied to HDC for the £500 grant and there would appear to be other sources she could seek funding from as well. Members authorised the Assistant Clerk to seek all forms of Grants available to offset the costs.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

(v) Tall Pines

Cllr. Jackson explained the history with regard to the gap in the hedge which has now resulted in more rubbish being dumped. He has not had any joy from his contacts and now wishes the Clerk to get on to the Canal Authority and ask that the rubbish be cleared.

ACTION: Clerk.

(vi) Zephon Common & Crow Act

Phil Allen (HCC) has said he wishes to meet separately with the

landowners. The Clerk had omitted to include Cllr. Jackson as one of the Parish Council representatives and will correct this.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange a site meeting for Cllrs. with Phil Allen hopefully before he meets with the landowners.

(vii) RoSPA Report

Cllr. Crawley has made his comments with regard to the Rospa report and Cllr. Collins hopes to do this soon. It was agreed that Cllr. Collins would take photographs. Cllr. Crawley said one issue was the matting being covered with soil – it was agreed that we ask the manufacturer to check this out and suggest a remedy.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

(viii) Dog Bins

The Chairman read out the email from the Canal Authority and HDC. The Canal Authority advised of a suitable location and HDC said it would no longer empty the bins free of charge in future. Cllr. Jackson said he thought we should attack the problem a different way and get the residents association to complain about the dog mess and ask for something to be done.

It was agreed to defer this item until the results of the questionnaire were known.

(ix) Licensing

Members noted the letter which Mr. Jordon had sent to District Cllr.

Singh.

225/05 FINANCE

(i) General

Budget Meeting – Members felt that it would be beneficial to hold the meeting as late as possible in order to allow for possible financial implications in relation to the Velmead Community Centre. It was agreed that when the meeting was held it would cover everything but the Centre and then a later meeting could take in the implications of the Centre.

Budget Meeting agreed for the 25 January 2005 at 8pm in the Chairman's home. Cllr. Jackson asked for permission to talk to the Canal Authority to see what might be achieved between the two bodies in relation to issues within the Parish.

ALL AGREED

The Leaf blowing quotation was received in the sum of £760.50 for 3 days labour for two men and hire of equipment. Cllr. Collins queried the area being covered and was advised that the routes were those where there could be a build-up of leaf mould over the years. The whole point of the exercise was to keep the paths clear. Cllr. Jackson proposed the quotation be accepted and was seconded by Cllr. Ambler. Four Members supported the proposal and there was one abstention.

ACTION: Clerk

The Treasurer/Assistant Clerk advised that Cllr. Ashton was not yet a signatory to the Bank of Ireland account – Members resolved that he be added to the signatures.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

Travel Tokens – Members agreed to the amount and said that £5 and £10 tokens should be purchased in equal quantities.

ACTION: Clerk

FWAG – a request for a grant of £50 from parishes to support their work.

Members declined to support this request.

(ii) Request for Grant for the Hart Young Musician of the Year

The Chairman read out the letter accompanying the request. Members debated this at length and agreed to support with a grant of £150.

Proposed by Cllr. Ambler and seconded by Cllr. Collins and voted for 4 in favour and 1 against. Members wished to have a mention in the Programme and wanted it Minuted that they welcomed supporting such a worthwhile youth project.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk.

(iii) Treasurer`s Report

“1. The annual audit for the year ending March 2005 has been carried out.

The Auditors are satisfied with the accounts.

2. It has been the practice of the Treasurer to run the current account at a level just above zero in order to maximise the capital accruing interest in the deposit account. I should like to ask Council Members if they would agree to change this policy so that the current account is topped up to a level of around £200 at each meeting. This £200 would act as a float from which to pay small bills that need to be settled between meetings.

My reason for asking is simply to minimise the hours I spend on treasury work. If I have to draw a cheque on the deposit account between meetings, I must physically go to Fleet and pay the cheque into NatWest. You would be paying for my time in doing this chore. I reckon that the loss of interest on the £200 float would be more than balanced by cutting the time I spend on this task.

If this is acceptable to Council Members, I could start this practice from next month.

3. Interest received from the Bank of Ireland was £216.28 in respect of September 2005.

4. V.A.T. of £68.20 was repaid for expenditure made in the second quarter of this financial year.

5. Between last month`s meeting and this meeting the following cheques were drawn on the current account:

Cheque no.	Payee	Item	Amount (£)
000047	HAPTC	Seminar places x 3	50.00
000048	CVPC	Balance of precept	10,600.00
000049	Lloyds TSB		
Commercial Finance	Printing of Parish Plan questionnaire by Careprint		1,504.00
000050	Royal Mail Group plc	Parish Plan Freepost account	49.76
000051	BT plc	Clerk`s telephone account	65.24
000052	Continental Landscapes	Play area inspections x 3	159.86
		Total	12,428.86

6. The following cheque is presented for signature:

NatWest Bank Account

Cheque no.	Payee	Item	Amount (£)
000053	HAPTC	Seminar places x 2	50.00

7. Our bank balances today are:

Bank of Ireland:	£76,503.38
NatWest Bank:	£105.98

8. The usual financial report is attached.

Anne Murray, Treasurer
6 November 2005

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Members accepted the report of the 6 November 2005, and agreed to the retention of a £200 amount to cover contingencies, and it was then duly signed by the Chairman.

226/05 LIGHTING

(i) General

Cllr. Crawley advised of his meeting with a resident of Swan Way regarding provision of a light. The Landlord has put a sensor light there and it was felt that this implied that there was no requirement for the Parish Council to install further lighting.

227/05 HIGHWAYS

(i) General

a) Malthouse Bridge - Water leak being investigated.

b) Brook Hill Footway

Awaiting a reply from Steve Pellat

c) Speed Monitoring Signs

Requested use of 2 SIDS when delivery is accepted by HDC.

(ii) A287/Redfields Junction

Nothing further to report. REMOVE FROM AGENDA

(iii) Pilcot Road Footway

Cllr. Dr. Sinka had visited Dogmersfield School with regard to the travel plan but had to leave the meeting before she could report verbally.

ACTION: Request Cllr. Dr. Sinka to do a written report.

(iv) Footpaths General

Grant application forms received and it was suggested that a grant be applied for to reinstate part of footpath 5 which gets extremely boggy.

ACTION: Clerk to ask John Hirst if he would be amenable for us to seek a grant and perhaps give us an indication of the total cost.

Cllr. Mrs. Brooks advised that f/p2 works are appalling. The Parish Council had agreed to pay £1000 towards the work and she advised that it should not pay out for such shoddy measures.

Action: Clerk to get Phil Allen to a site meeting.

228/05 RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED

Circ: 18.10.05

HDC Cabinet Report on the South East Plan/HDC Cabinet Annual Car Parking Report/HDAPC Email ref Caravan Licence for Down Farm, Odiham/Email invitation to view the Youth Bus/HDAPC Email re: Call & Go Rural Transport Paper/ Traffic Management Programme 05/06/Hart Community Safety Report/CPRE Newsletters August & October/HAPTC Friday Update 14.10.05/CPRE AGM Newsletter/ Open Space Vol 28/HDC Agenda & Minutes Planning Cttee Meeting 12.10.05/Standards Committee 13.10.05/Community Action News No.65/University of Winchester One World Day invitation

Circ: 23.10.05

Copy ltrs/Hart Call&Go Report/Bloom Review/HDC Agenda & Minutes Scrutiny 25.10.05/Council 27.10.05 & Staff & GP Cttee 31.10.05

Circ: 1.11.05

Countryside Voice/Crookham Almshouse Charity Accounts/Hampshire Playing Fields Association Annual Report & Statement of Accounts & AGM 22.11.05 /Community Action News No.66/The Playing Field Newsletter/The Clerk/ Town & Parish Standards/Local Council Review Nov./HDC Agenda & Mins Cabinet 3.11.05/ Planning Enforcement 7.11.05/Copy ltrs

Circ: 6.11.05

The Clerk/Clerks & Councils Direct/ Sheltered Housing Review Update/HDC Mins & Agendas Planning 9.11.05/Planning Major Sites Cttee 14.11.05/Hampshire Constabulary Newsletter/HDAPC Mins of 11.10.05/CPRE response to "where shall we live"/Friday Update from HAPTC.

229/05 INFORMATION SHARING & ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Cllr. Mrs. Brooks advised that Richard Hellyar has offered his services in

any way. Agenda Item Hon. Environment Consultant
Cllr. Jackson requested an agenda item for Summer Youth Activities e.g. summer youth
activities at Odiham.

230/05 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 5 December 2005, at 7.45 pm
In the VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE, DANVERS DRIVE, ZEBON
COPSE.

Monday meetings for 2006 are proposed as follows:

WI HALL

9 JANUARY

6 MARCH

8 MAY (AGM)

3 JULY

2 OCTOBER

4 DECEMBER

VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

6 FEBRUARY

3 APRIL (ANNUAL PARISH MEETING)

12 JUNE

NO AUGUST (unless urgent)

4 SEPTEMBER

6 NOVEMBER

The meeting closed at 10.55 pm