

These are the unadopted Minutes of the Meeting of 5 September 2006, please refer to the unadopted Minutes of the October 2006 meeting for any amendments.

Present: Cllr. S. Ambler (Chairman)  
Cllr. P. Ashton  
Cllr. P. Collins  
Cllr. P. Crawley  
Cllr. D. Jackson  
Mrs. C.A. Leversha (Clerk)  
Mrs. A. Murray (Assistant Clerk)  
Mrs. A. Sayers (RFO & Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: Ward Cllrs. Radley (Jenny), Davis & Appleton and PC Webster

#### **143/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs. Brooks & Dr. Sinka.

#### **144/06 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman introduced Mrs. Angela Sayers, our new Responsible Finance Officer and Assistant Clerk and she was warmly welcomed by all Councillors.

#### **145/06 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 3 JULY 2006**

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

#### **146/06 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 Cllr. Hall with regard to boundary fencing and the Velmead Community Centre.

#### **147/06 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.

#### **148/06 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (maximum of 3 minutes per speaker)**

The Chairman asked permission to adjourn the meeting for public participation. He introduced PC Webster who said she was a Beat Officer since May 2006 for Church Crookham. She is making good headway with issues raised by the public, especially alcohol related problems. Cllr. Jackson said he had asked PC Webster to update the Council after a series of incidents on Zebon Copse. With regard to the stabbing incident on Zebon Copse, she briefed Members with the way the incident was progressing. Further debate took place on resourcing issues. Cllr. Jackson asked her to advise to whom the Council should address a letter requesting that the number of beat policemen be restored to the two we had before the departure of both previous full time constables. PC Webster said the PCSOs should have some impact when they arrive. PC Webster updated Members on the stabbing incident at Bourley. Cllr. Radley advised that the AGM for the Neighbourhood Watch is 21 September at All Saints School, Fleet – 7.30 pm. Grazing of cattle will shortly take place on Velmead Common (behind the Foresters PH) for conservation purposes. She mentioned that there was to be a meeting with regard to school places at Elvetham School. Cllr. Appleton said that there was a change of policy in that telephone masts would now have to go through the planning committee. The Chairman then reconvened the meeting.

#### **149/06 DR. D. READER**

Cllr. Jackson advised that Dr. Reader was likely to move from the Parish shortly. Initially it was to have been very soon, but he had just been advised that the date had moved back to the end of the year. Dr. Reader, as well as being Chairman of Crookham Village Association, has been an active Member of the Parish Planning Committee, had made a major contribution to investigations about a possible village hall for Crookham Village and had served as a Parish Councillor in the past. Councillors were requested to consider appropriate means to recognise his contribution when the time came for him to leave.

**ACTION: All Members to send proposals to Cllr. Jackson**

#### **150/06 ROAD SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE**

Because the meetings have been changed to office hours Cllr. Collins has had to resign.. The next meeting is 17 November at 2pm at Hart Council Offices.

Resolved that Cllr. David Jackson be the Council's representative with immediate effect.

**ACTION: Clerk to advise HRSC**

#### **151/06 FINANCE**

##### **(i) General**

Mrs. Murray advised she had informed the Auditors of the changeover of RFO but had not had a response from them. Members agreed that an interim 6 monthly Internal Audit be requested from Phil Du Gay for the handover of the finance function to the new RFO.

**ACTION: RFO**

Permission was given to close the Post Office Account which had been set up for the return of completed Parish Plan Questionnaires.

Letters were presented for signature by the Chairman to permit the new RFO access to all the necessary bank documents and accounts.

Permission was sought for an extension to the handover period between the two officers and this was agreed by all Members – period to end on 30 September 2006.

Cllr. Collins joined the meeting at this point.

**(ii) Treasurer`s Report**

1. Interest received from the Bank of Ireland was £275.43 in respect of June and £296.85 in respect of July.
2. The following transaction was made between last month`s meeting and today:

NatWest current account			
Cheque no. or direct debit	Payee	Item	Gross amount (£)
DD	VirginNet	Clerk`s internet account (July)	14.99
DD	VirginNet	Clerk`s internet account (August)	14.99
000097	Assistant Clerk	Salary and expenses	691.36
000098	Clerk	Salary and expenses	1006.40
000099	Inland Revenue	Tax on Clerk`s salary	246.82
000100	BT	Clerk`s telephone	58.83
000101	OpenSpaces	Annual subscription	30.00
000102	Surrey& Berks Newspapers	Job advertisements	229.99
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2293.38</b>

3. There are no cheques presented for payment.
4. Bank balances  
Bank of Ireland as at 16 August £81,549.93  
NatWest Bank as at 1 September £621.11

NB Two cheques totalling £231.51 have not yet cleared. This means there is £389.60 available in the NatWest account.

5. Progress on audit  
The completed audit form and supporting documentation were sent to the Audit Commission for the 14 August deadline. To date, I have not heard from the Commission.

Anne Murray, Treasurer  
3 September 2006

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The Treasurer`s Report was accepted. The Chairman expressed Members appreciation of the work which had been undertaken by Mrs. Murray during her time with the Council – she had kindly taken over the duties of Treasurer somewhat unexpectedly and had done a splendid job.

**(iii) Basingstoke Canal Funding**

Cllr. Crawley advised that the HDAPC meeting had been lukewarm and parishes felt that the funding should come from other sources. The Chairman of HDAPC said he would follow this up. Cllr. Appleton said he had endeavoured to get extra developer contributions from HDC but had not been successful.

There had been no one present from the Canal Authority on the night. Members wished it to remain on the HDAPC Agenda.

**152/06 PLANNING**

**(i) General**

Cllr. Jackson expressed his sincere appreciation to Mrs. Murray for her work for the Planning Committee. He then went on to say that there was an important meeting tomorrow night on the LDF Core Strategy for HDC and a Parish representative was needed. Cllr. Crawley volunteered and took all the supporting documents.

Cllr. Mrs. Brooks has had to temporarily stand down from the Planning Cttee due to ill health. Cllr. Crawley agreed to take her place until she is well enough to resume this duty.

**(ii) Trees**

**Outstanding ACTION: Clerk to write to Mr. Seale asking permission to put up a stock fence around the copse at no cost to him.**

**(iii) Report of the Planning Committee.**

Cllr. Jackson spoke to his report. Debate took place on various matters and the Report was accepted.

**ACTION: 5 copies to noticeboards RFO/Assistant Clerk**

**153/06 MATTERS ARISING**

**(i) Lea Green**

Weekly check reports no problems. Residents have complained about the gate banging because its rubber mounting has come off. The Clerk has asked Andy Fisk to look at this when he quotes for the Rospa work.

**(ii) Community Transport**

Nothing to report.

**(iii) Youth Facilities**

Hartley Wintney PC have arranged an open meeting to deal with anti-social behaviour issues and have invited representatives from the Parishes to attend.

**(iv) Parish Plan**

Mrs. Murray asked that a meeting be held of the Sub-Cttee to carry the plan forward. It was agreed that this would take place later on this month.

**ACTION: Cllr. Collins**

**(v) Tall Pines**

Clerk is still trying to identify the relevant officer at Winchester.

**ACTION: Clerk**

**(vi) Zephon Common & Crow Act**

Clerk to advise Phil Allen (HCC) that he now needs to deal with Cllr. Jackson due to Cllr. Brooks being out of circulation for a few months.

**ACTION: Clerk**

**(vii) Dog Bins**

Cllr. Collins was happy with the bin which fits to a post.

**ACTION: Clerk**

**(viii) Noticeboards**

Ask HDC to clear the vegetation away from the Brandon Road/Gally Hill noticeboard so people can see the notices.

**ACTION: Clerk**

**ACTION: Cllrs. Brooks & Collins to investigate and report back to a Council meeting on refurbishment of boards.**

**(ix) HAPTC 59<sup>TH</sup> AGM**

Cllr. Hall had agreed to attend. The Chairman asked whether Members wished to tell Cllr. Hall which Resolutions he should support or oppose or did they wish him to vote as he feels fit. Debate took place and Members felt that he should vote in support of Resolutions 2, 4 and 5 and as he saw fit on 1 and 3. It was felt that more support would be given to an amended resolution which deleted "rural" and Members would welcome Cllr. Hall seeking to have the Resolution amended.

**ACTION: Clerk to find out whether it is within the Constitution to amend a Resolution by emailing Steven Lugg.**

**(x) Allotments**

Debate took place on this matter and it was acknowledged that there was a need and we need to chivy Hart up.

**ACTION: Clerk to ask John Elson whether agricultural land is permitted to be used for allotments.**

**(xi) Street Sweeping**

Cllr. Ashton had requested Hart to clean specific roads on Zebon Copse and they had actually done so and would be doing it on a quarterly basis. Remove from Agenda.

**154/06 LIGHTING**

**(i) General**

Nothing to report.

**155/06 HIGHWAYS**

**(i) General**

Hitches Lane speeds – Cllr. Appleton asked what had happened to his request for support for doing something about Hitches Lane and speeding and was advised that the Road Safety Representative would raise this at the next Road Safety meeting.

**ACTION: Cllr. Crawley**

**(a) A287 Junction**

The Chairman reminded Members that it had been agreed that Crondall PC and Crookham Village PC would get together and talk to relevant interested parties. However Crondall Parish Council no longer seemed to be interested so he proposed to take this forward with Cllr. Bennison and other interested parties.

**ACTION: Cllrs. Bennison and Ambler to initiate action from other Ward Cllrs, Parish Cllrs and County Cllr.**

**(iii) Pilcot Road Footway**

Still awaiting outcome of School Travel Plan and Dfes comments.

**ACTION: Clerk to seek update from Cllr. Dr. Sinka**

**(iv) Footpaths General**

Members wished a Thank You to be sent to John Hirst because he has consistently kept the paths clear without the Council having had to ask him.

**Site meeting Zephon Common and F/p 2.**

**ACTION: Clerk to re-arrange a meeting with Cllrs. Brooks, Jackson and HCC Officer Phil Allen.**

**156/06 RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED**

Circ: 30.06.06

Copy ltrs/HDC Agendas & Minute S&GP 27.6.06/Cabiner 6.7.06/Planning Enforcement 10.7.06

Circ: 06/07/06

The Local Channel/Community Play areas brochure/Community Transport/CPRE Voice/Community Action News July/Briefing 54/Police Authority ltr/Clerks & Councils Direct/Hampshire Now/Town & Parish Standard 07/Local Council Review/HDC Mins & Agendas Planning 12 July/Special Council 13 July.

Circ: 31.7.06

Community Safety Partnership/RAF Odiham Updates/Copy ltrs/HAPTC updates etc/ IngDirect Ltr/The Tree Guardian/Hampshire Now magazine/SPISE News 47/Water Festival/HAPTC Mail 070/06 & 071/06/Street Sweeping information/Temporary Road Closure Notices/Postal price changes/The Playing Field/Community Action News 75

Circ: 31.7.06

HDC Mins & Agendas Scrutiny 18.7.06/Standards 20.7.06/Council 27.7.06/

Cabinet 3.8.06

Circ: 16.08.06

Waste & Recycling Slides/HDC Minutes & Agenda Planning Cttee 9.8.06/Best Value Performance Plan 06/07/Scrutiny Cttee

15.08.06/Copy ltrs/Highways News/Encams Literature/HAPTC Mail 078/06/079/06/081/06/082/06/NALC Ordnance Survey

Separate Circ 16.08.06

HDC LDF Core Strategy Preferred Options Documents

Circ: 4.9.06

Copy ltrs/ CPRE Fieldwork/Community Action News AGM Notice/Update No.76/

6 Steps to a Successful Youth Shelter/The Clerk/HAPTC Mail 084-06/085-06/086-06/

090-06/Bulletin 220/

Circ: 4.9.06

HDC Mins & Agendas Special Staff & GP Cttee 5.9.06/Cabinet 7.9.06/Licensing 11.9.06/Planning Enforcement Sub-Cttee

11.9.06

#### **157/06 INFORMATION SHARING & AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

The Chairman advised Members of Seminars which were coming up and asked whether Members would like to attend. It was felt that the Finance Forum would be appropriate for the RFO and Members authorised her attendance.

Cllr. Jackson had attended a Waste meeting which is seeking small industrial sites and there may be some movement on HWRC.

The best suggestion which had come up locally was the Pyestock site. Cllr. Jackson had put a trace on the Parish Website and he gave details of where the "hits" had come from – they had been from all around the world and nothing local, although not all locations were identified.

#### **158/06 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 2 October 2006 at 7.45 pm in the WI Hall, The Street, Crookham Village.

Dates and Venues for the remainder of the year:

WI HALL

Monday

4 December 2006

VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Tuesday

7 November 2006

There being nothing to report under Confidential there was no exclusion of Press & Public.

#### **159/06 VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE & ADJACENT AMENITIES**

The Chairman advised that not a lot had happened recently and we were awaiting the Minutes of a Meeting held at HDC to which we were not invited. The Chairman will chase this up.

**ACTION: Chairman**

The meeting closed at 9.56pm.