

These are the unadopted Minutes of the meeting of 6 March 2006, please refer to the unadopted Minutes of the April or May 2006 meeting for any amendments.

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

In attendance: PC Alex Batten and Mr. P. Dickinson.

034/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs. Dr. Sinka and Collins.

035/06 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman advised he wished to bring to Members attention as an Urgent Item a letter from CAB requesting a grant towards making up the shortfall in funding from HDC. Cllr. Jackson said this was an example of the District Rate once again cascading down to parish level and Cllr. Crawley supported this view. Members debated the issue at length. Cllr. Mrs. Brooks agreed in principle with Cllr. Jackson but said that she felt we should assist in this instance. The Chairman said that there was no deadline for a reply. Cllr. Jackson said perhaps if by next year CVPC are running the VCC then perhaps they could come along for half a day and utilise it. Members felt that if there was an agreement across the parishes and the unparished area then perhaps we could support it. Cllr. Jackson proposed that we should establish the level of support from parishes and F&CC before we made a decision. It was agreed to raise this at the next HDAPC meeting in April. It was suggested that we invite CAB along to the September meeting, to explore requirements for financial year 07/08.

ACTION: Clerk

036/06 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 7 FEBRUARY 2006 TO APPROVE

Minor typing errors were amended and the Minutes were then agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

037/06 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.

038/06 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.

039/06 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members agreed to adjournment of the meeting for public participation. PC Batten was invited to speak. He said there had been a problem with the telephone box o/s the post office vandalised and he had attended a meeting of the Hart Community Safety Partnership and was somewhat surprised at the number of people present. Sue Gibson has been employed to look at all the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and is working from the Hook Office. The Community Safety Team at Hart are doing their graffiti busting campaign. He had noticed that our Agenda mentioned Crime & Disorder implications of decision making and in this respect he wanted to mention the play area at Crondall where the parish council had installed a seat for the mums but which had then resulted in young people congregating there during the evenings and on one cold night using the picket fencing as a fire. With regard to the road traffic incidents, he

could get this information for us, but he needed exact locations and the road names. There are only records kept for serious incidents. In response to a question PC Batten confirmed that the VCC was not in his beat. The meeting was then reconvened.

040/06 CONSULTATION ON RECONFIGURATION OF NHS AMBULANCE TRUSTS, STRATEGIC HEALTH AUTHORITIES & PRIMARY CARE TRUSTS IN HAMPSHIRE AND IOW.

Members expressed their concerns at the documents produced as "consultation" documents. All were very woolly and repetitive and none actually set out what was really being proposed. There was a general thought to reducing overheads and management costs by 15% but one PCT has actually stated its overheads are only 1% of budget. How the ambulance reconfiguration will actually provide a better service to the population was far from clear. A recent newspaper article had reported that ambulance drivers from one side of Birmingham were unaware of where the hospital was on the other side when it had recently had an emergency. How ambulance drivers from Milton Keynes will fare coming into Hampshire was of concern. Members said that from the lack of evidence presented they were unconvinced of the benefits claimed. This was a very expensive exercise for a fruitless consultation.

ACTION: Clerk

041/06 ALLOTMENTS

The Chairman advised that he had had several requests for allotments just recently and it was suggested that this be an item raised at the APM. It was also thought that we should approach an allotment management cttee.

AGENDA ITEM FOR APM

042/06 PLANNING

(i) General

Cllr. Jackson advised of the Planning Forum meeting which he and Cllr. Hall had attended. He then went into detail about the European Habitats Directive and SPA and as a result of this Hart could really only build to the southwest of Odiham. Rushmoor cannot build at all. There is no joined up thinking coming from SEERA. In theory the mitigation land for Rushmoor can be delivered by someone else. It need not be adjacent to the development. It will be interesting to see how this pans out. Mr. Dickinson said he was right and that this issue had taken up almost all of his time over the past few months. Rushmoor have taken issue with EN and are not going to take their views into account. Much debate then took place on the subject. The Chairman said that it will be interesting to see this challenged and what happens with European legislation. Hitches Lane was mentioned and it was stated that there appeared to be grounds to challenge this decision on the Housing Land Supply and SPA issues.

(ii) Trees

Cllr. Crawley has erected a tree guard which he made himself because he was so fed up with what was on offer from commercial suppliers. It cost all of £3.

(iii) Report of the Planning Committee

Cllr. Jackson spoke to his report. In response to a query raised about failure to comply with an Inspector's ruling, Mr. Dickinson said that there were sanctions in the form of financial penalties. The Report of the Planning Committee was accepted with thanks. Mr. Dickinson left the meeting at this point and tendered his apologies for the April meeting.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk copies to all Noticeboards.

043/06 MATTERS ARISING

(i) Lea Green

Weekly playground check sheets available for inspection.

Cllr. Crawley had given residents the ASB record sheets for future incidents but was pleased to report that there are no problems at the moment.

(ii) Community Transport

June Armstrong (HCC) has confirmed that work is progressing and we should have the data by the end of the week. Debate then took place on the issue of the funding and it was yet again pointed out that this really should be a district funded scheme. Cllr. Jackson suggested that HDAPC was probably the best forum to get all parishes to contribute to the scheme.

(iii) Youth Facilities

Mark Blackwell has still to respond with regard to the Community Bus, Frogmore Activity Days and Odiham facilities.

ACTION: Clerk (this is Agenda item for APM)

(iv) Parish Plan

It was agreed to develop a Page for the Parish Plan on the Web site.

Members further debated how to present this at the APM and other issues arose such as open spaces, paths etc., youth facilities, A287, loss of car parking at Bourley. Members accepted that Cllr Jackson and The Assistant Clerk had enough suggestions to put together a flyer which they would then show to the Chairman before doing a final print.

ACTION: Cllr. Jackson and Assitant Clerk

Debate then took place on whether to pay for printing or to go out and purchase an A4 colour printer.

RESOLVED to purchase an A4 colour printer (max price £500) and to investigate whether it would be possible to have a maintenance contract.

ACTION: Chairman

The Chairman wished it recorded that Members were unanimous in their expression of appreciation of the tremendous amount of work which had gone into producing the questionnaire by Cllrs. Sinka, Collins and the Assistant Clerk.

(v) Tall Pines

Cllr. Jackson said there is a section of HCC which looks after the land owned by HCC canal and that is where the Clerk should complain about the fly tipping.

ACTION: Clerk.

(vi) Zephon Common & Crow Act

Clerk has still to action information to Phil Allen (HCC)

(viii) Dog Bins

This subject awaits the results of the Parish Plan.

(ix) Hitches Lane Cyclepath

Cllr. Collins is actioning.

045/06 FINANCE

(i) General

Still awaiting a response from Phil Whiting with regard to cost of inspections of play areas on Zebon Copse. Clerk was instructed to have the 4 metal seats repainted and paid for before the end of the financial year.

(ii) Treasurer`s Report

1. Interest received from the Bank of Ireland was £265.95 in respect of January.
2. The following transaction was made between last month's meeting and today:

NatWest current account

Cheque no	Payee	Item	Amount (gross)
000069	BT	CVPC telephone bill	£56.92

3. The following cheques are presented for payment:

NatWest

Cheque no	Payee	Item	Amount (gross)
000070	CVPC	Internet account	£110.45

Bank of Ireland

Cheque no	Payee	Item	Amount
000066	CVPC	To cover the above	£100.00

4. I have heard from Jo Dixon at Community Action Hampshire that our DEFRA grant application has been successful. We should receive £350, which can be used to cover costs associated with holding a meeting to discuss the results of the Parish Plan questionnaire. This includes printing and distributing leaflets and £50 towards refreshments.

5. Bank balances

Bank of Ireland as at 28 February 2006	£73,104
NatWest Bank as at 1 March 2006	£2,673.79

<i>In date order:</i>	<i>Other liabilities</i>	<i>Other credits</i>
Cheque 64	£1,268.70	£1,405.09
Cheque 65	£1,161.90	£243.19
Running total:		£243.19

6. The Open Spaces Society has sent a letter thanking Councillors for their recent contribution of £100.

7. Crookham Village WI has sent a letter thanking Councillors for the grant of £500

Anne Murray, Treasurer

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E. & O.E

Members congratulated the Treasurer on the amount of Grants she had accessed and accepted the Report.

The new financial spreadsheet was tabled and debated. The idea was to show clearly all expenditure against budget and forecast, spend to date and balance.

Members accepted the new format.

046/06 LIGHTING

(i) General

Clerk has advised HDC & HCC of the 3 lights in Danvers Drive which are not working.

047/06 HIGHWAYS

(i) General

A287 – The Clerk has still to write to HCC in the strongest possible terms and raise the problem with our Police representative. Request a timetable from HCC and what actions they intend to take.

ACTION: Clerk to write to HCC, HDC, County Cllrs and relevant District Councillors.

The Clerk was instructed to ask PC Batten about an accident between Dares Farm and Redfields Lane, a car was hit by lorry going towards Dares Farm and this was within 2 or 3 days of another huge accident which might have been the fatal accident known to the Council (around November time).

(ii) Pilcot Road Footway

This is dependent on the outcome of the Dogmersfield School Travel Plan which has been completed and submitted to HCC and Dfes.

(iii) Footpaths General

Clerk has still to get Phil Allen to talk to Cllr. Brooks regarding f/p 2 and f/p 14.

ACTION: Clerk

048/06 RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED

Circ: 23.2.06

OSS Spring 2006/LCR March 06/HCC Call & Go funding/Rospa ltr/HCC Planning Hampshire`s Future leaflets/HAPTC Mail 024-06/082-05/HDC Timetable of meetings/HDC Mins & Agenda Scrutiny 14.02/06/Council 23.02.06/Copy ltrs

Circ: 3.3.06

Countryside Access Forum/HDC Mins & Agendas Cabinet 9.3.06/Staff & General Purposes 7.3.06/Planning Enforcement 13.3.06/Planning Cttee 8.3.06/Copy ltrs

049/06 INFORMATION SHARING & ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Cllr. Brooks is attending the next Hart & Rushmoor Transport Forum meeting. She advised Members of her new email address.

Cllr. Jackson said that from the number of empty bottles and cans left on the playing field, there had been something of a rave near the Community Centre over the last weekend. The police were aware and Members were asked to let the police know as there is a byelaw in place that drinking is not allowed. The ZCRA AGM – disappointing attendance and not much input from the audience.

Bridge cleaning 10am Saturday, 1 April, at the Swingbridge and organised by Chris Hall for ZCRA. Litter pick Sunday, 2 April.

050/06 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting may be on Tuesday, 4 April 2006, time allowing, following on from the Annual Parish Meeting which will commence at 7pm with refreshments for a 7.30 meeting. and will be held in the Velmead Community Centre, Danvers Drive, Zebon Copse.

051/06 VELMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE & ADJACENT AMENITIES

The Chairman then moved exclusion of Press & Public under Schedule 12a Section 1001 of LGA 1972.

The meeting closed at 10.25 as Cllr. Jenny Radley arrived.

