

WANBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wanborough Parish Council held on **27th July 2008** in Wanborough Village Hall, High Street, Wanborough at 19.30.

PRESENT: Mr G Sumner (Vice-Chairman), Mr C Offer, Mr R Whitfield, Mr B Biggs, Mr D Hayward, Mr C Hayes, Mr W J Smith,

In Attendance Mrs A J Raymond (Clerk) and 4 members of Public

1. Apologies: Mr W Suter (Chairman), Mr A Bennett, Mrs L Berry, Mrs A Basevi
2. Declaration of interest: Mr David Hayward declared a personal interest on item 6.2.3 as he owns an allotment
3. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd June 2008 had been circulated to all Parish Councillors. The minutes were signed by the Vice Chairman as a true record.

Meeting was adjourned for Public Questions

The Chair of the Show Committee attended the meeting to raise concerns about the proposed road closure at Kite Hill and the effect it will have on the Summer Show due to be held on Saturday 16th August 2008. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact SBC again about this matter and report to the Show Committee and Gary Sumner.

A resident who owns an allotment stated that she was pleased the work had now commenced on plot C5, but would like to make the Parish Council aware of two other plots that have been neglected B2 and D5. It was confirmed that these two plots have been offered to different people, so hopefully she will notice an improvement soon on these plots.

A resident stated that there are advertising boards outside Redlands Farm, advertising furniture and no planning permission has been gained for them. Parish Council agreed to look into the matter.

4. Report from Ward Councillor
Mr A Bennett sent his apologies.

5 PLANNING

5.1 To consider Planning Applications received:

S/08/1449CLMC – Mosswood, Ham Road – Erection of entrance gates and works to garden, changes to garage doors and adjustments to ground levels at the rear of the property.

S/08/1343FRLE – 2 Mount Pleasant Farm Cottages – Erection of an outbuilding.

S/08/1307/SC – 2 Callas Rise – Erection of a conservatory.

S/08/1220/CLMC – 17 Yonder Way – Erection of a first floor rear extension.

S/08/1216/HECO – 10 Yonder Way – Erection of a first floor side and two storey side extension.

Parish Council raised no objection to the above five planning applications.

S/08/1388JABU – Land adjoining Praeters House, High Street – Erection of 1 no dwelling with detached garage and access. Parish Council objected for the following reasons:-

- The proposed design of the new dwelling is not sympathetic for a conservation area;
- Parish Council are concerned with the new access onto Chapel Lane, it will be extremely tight and the sightlines very poor
- There are already problems with drainage and flooding along Chapel Lane, putting another dwelling will only make matters worse

S/LDE/08/1246/HECO – Certificate of Lawfulness (existing) for use of land as garden. Parish Council objected for the following reasons:-

- The land is agricultural land, therefore the applicant needs to submit an application applying for change of use, this has never happened.
- Parish Council can confirm that the land has not been maintained as a garden for a period of 10 years

5.2 To notify the Schedule to the Permission/Consent received

S/08/0907/YAKA – Parsonage Farm House, 21 Church Road – Erection of single storey rear/side extension, link to indoor swimming pool, glazed roof to swimming pool, 5 no. dormer windows to main roof and detached garage;

S/CAC/08/0908/YAKA – Parsonage Farm House, 21 Church Road – Demolition of detached garage;

S/08/0890/YAKA – Whynot, Kite Hill – Erection of 3 no. dormer windows;

S/08/0832/FRLE – 2 Lane Farm, Chapel Lane – Erection of a single side extension and garage conversion

6 COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES

6.1 Hooper's Field and Recreation

6.1.1 Wanborough Cricket Club has recently submitted an invoice from Handy Garden Machinery for the maintenance of the lawn mower. They have stated that as the lawnmower belongs to Parish Council then Parish Council should be responsible for the cost of the annual service and repairs. The invoice is for £490.67. After a discussion it was unanimously agreed to pay for 50% of the cost, it was also agreed to highlight again to the Cricket Club that they should approach Parish Council before making commitment to spend money to ensure the cheapest quote is gained.

6.1.2. In relation to the Tennis Court Surface, Clerk has written to Lee West (LTA) and Dave Evans SBC. A reply from Dave Evans was read out at the meeting. Parish Council agreed to approach David James (Project Manager) to update him on what has been happening and to gain his advice on the contract used.

6.1.3 Mr Lee Wells (Village Lengthsman) has recently purchased a sit on mower and as a result will be able to take on some additional grass cutting work at Hooper's Field. He has agreed to take on the car park and amenity area for Hooper's Field. The quote received from Swindon Commercial Services is £1,950, Mr Lee Wells expects his costs will be in the region of £1,000. Parish Council unanimously agreed.

6.1.4 It has been reported that the mens toilet at Hoopers Field needs urgent cleaning attention. Clerk to contact cleaner.

6.2 Footpaths, Village Maintenance and Allotments

6.2.1 Flooding meeting held on Monday 21st July 2008, draft minutes have been circulated to all Councillors. Clerk has received some feedback, therefore minutes will be amended where appropriate ready for agreement at next meeting.

Parish Council felt that the meeting went very well. It was agreed that the points raised at the meeting need to be followed up with the agencies and communicated via a newsletter to all residents. It was agreed that Parish Newsletter should be added to the next meeting's agenda. It was also agreed that Parish Council should approach landowners reminding them of their responsibility to clear ditches.

Mr Joe Smith stated that the storm drain along Wanborough Road has been identified by SBC as the responsibility of Thames Water. Joe stated that during heavy rain this drain is never full showing that there is possibly a blockage further up the system,

- 6.2.2 The village suffered some problems with graffiti, it happened after 7pm on Monday 30th June. This has been reported to the Police and Clerk met with Psco M Camilleri.
- 6.2.3 Dave Hayward has reported that there has been more manure delivered to allotments, causing problems for the car park. Mr Joe Smith agreed to arrange for it to be moved back.
- 6.2.4 Church Meadow inspection, prior and post Summer Show will be held on 14th August and 21st August 2008 at 11am.

6.3 Wanborough Village Hall Management Committee

- 6.3.1 The last Village Hall sub committee meeting was cancelled.
- 6.3.2 A sub committee meeting to discuss the roof project was held on 10th July 2008. The next stage is to gain detailed plans so that they can be used to go out to tender. Clerk has received details of a possible grant from Wiltshire County Hall Grants Panel; initial registration of interest needs to be submitted by 8th August. Clerk has the application ready to send, just waiting for a final estimate of project cost. Mr Colin Hayes agreed to chase estimate cost.

6.4 Planning and Finance

- 6.4.1 Concern was raised about the maintenance of the former Bells Garage site, especially the hedge, as sightlines at the roundabout have become very poor. Clerk to check the conditions of the planning consent.
- 6.4.2 Clerk has been looking at business savings accounts that are available and found that Alliance and Leicester are currently offering 5.16% AER for a Business Instant Savings Account. Parish Council unanimously agreed to set up new account and transfer funds from Nationwide into new account.
- 6.4.2 SBC Planning has stated that BT are proposing to remove a number of payphones, including the payphone and box in front of the village hall. Clerk has contacted SBC asking if this also means the removal of the red box and whether it could be listed like the one at the top of the village. Elinor Croxall (SBC) has replied stating that they are planning to put forward a number of phone boxes for listing, in a mass request very soon, this will include the one in Wanborough. However this will not prevent the payphone from being removed, therefore if Parish Council has any objections to this they must send in their objections. Parish Council discussed and it was agreed that there should be a payphone facility for emergency calls i.e 999. It would also be better if the payphone was not so expensive then maybe the payphone would be used.
- 6.4.3 A resident e-mailed Parish Council with concerns about the increasing number of caravans and mobile homes now using the field behind the Black Horse. Clerk confirmed that Andrew Bennett was following this up with SBC.
- 6.4.4 Parish Council have been provided with a copy of the questions raised by residents of Bishopstone to SBC Forward Planning about the Eastern Development Area. It was agreed to circulate this document.

7 FINANCE

7.1 Financial Statement

The monthly statement was circulated. It was proposed by Mr Colin Hayes and seconded by Mr Bob Biggs that "The Financial Statement be accepted, the payment of accounts be endorsed and the bills for payment be accepted and paid, the petty cash expenditure for July 2008 endorsed and the transfers to cover July 2008 expenditure be approved."

8. OTHER

8.1.1 Transport

8.1.1 Notification received from SBC that Kite Hill will be closed (Top section from Church Road to Hill Top, Kite Hill) from 11th August – 5th September while maintenance work is carried out to the highway verge/bank. This matter was discussed during public questions.

8.1.2 Suzanne Montgomery (SBC) has arranged a meeting with Westcotec supplier of Vehicle Activated Signs on Thursday 14th August at 11.30am. It was agreed to go ahead with this meeting, Mr Bill Suter, Mr Bob Biggs and Mr David Hayward would attend meeting.

8.1.3 Mr Bob Biggs attended a meeting to discuss public transport and one area that he would like to look into is whether the buses are going to where residents want them to go. He suggested gaining feedback from the village. It was agreed that this could be done via Parish Newsletter; it could also tie in with the Parish Plan. He also stated that buses are funded by Wiltshire County Council

8.2 Neighbourhood Tasking Group

8.2.1 Meeting held on 27th June 08. To be reported at next meeting as representatives Mrs Anita Basevi and Mr Andrew Bennett sent their apologies.

8.3 Foxhill, Motorcross

8.3.1 Clerk tried to arrange a meeting with the owner of the Motocross event, but with no success. The event was held on Sunday 27th July. Mr Colin Hayes and Mr Bob Biggs felt that the event was very well organised, there were no problems that they were aware of. There were approx 5,000 attendees, only improvement suggested was better police control at Foxhill Crossroads. Clerk to write to owner with these comments.

8.4 Parish Plan

8.4.1 Sub committee meeting due to be held on Tuesday 29th July 2008. Sub Committee includes Mr Andrew Bennett, Mrs Anita Basevi, Mr Roger Whitfield, Mr Bob Biggs plus Chair and Vice Chair. It was confirmed that Clerk, Chair and Vice Chair were unable to attend.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received since the last meeting on 12th May 2008 was available at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 21.00

Date of next meeting Monday 1st September 2008