

WANBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wanborough Parish Council held on **24th June 2013** in Wanborough Village Hall, High Street, Wanborough at 19.30.

PRESENT: Mr G Sumner (Chairman) Mr C Offer (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Hayward, Mr W J Smith, Mr R Whitfield, Mr W Suter, Mr A Bennett (arrived late), Mr B Biggs, Mr P Warensjo.

In Attendance Mrs A J Raymond (Clerk) and 2 members of Public

1. Apologies: Mr C Hayes, Mrs D Stalker
2. Declaration of interest: Mr David Hayward declared a personal interest in item 6.2 as he owns an allotment. Mr Roger Whitfield, Mr Andrew Bennett and Mr Dave Hayward declared a personal interest in item 8.2.1 as they are members of the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust. Mr Gary Sumner, Mr Joe Smith and Mr Per-Axel Warensjo declared a personal interest in item 8.2.2 as their sons play football for Wanborough JFC. Mr Joe Smith declared a prejudicial interest on item 8.4.1 as he owns land within the proposed eastern development area.
3. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th May 2013 were circulated to all Parish Councillors; Mr Bill Suter didn't think he had agreed to be on the Neighbourhood Plan subcommittee, minutes were amended to remove his name from the committee. The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Meeting was adjourned for Public Questions

Adye confirmed that he recently attended a flood meeting at Covingham on the 14 June 2013, to discuss the flooding issues in Covingham; the outcome of the meeting was that a lot of money would be needed to solve the problems.

Adye stated that he had met with SBC to look into some drainage issues along The Marsh and wondered whether Parish Council would be able to provide information in relation to the ownership of some land; he provided a map to Parish Council to identify the land. Mr Gary Sumner asked why Parish Council were not involved in this meeting as it's within Wanborough Parish. Mr Gary Sumner asked if Adye could forward the e-mail in relation to this meeting. He also confirmed that Parish Council undertook land registry searches a few years ago to find out land ownership around The Marsh, so if Parish Council had been involved in this meeting they could have confirmed ownership.

Mr Per-Axel Warensjo asked what had been done about the new kerbing beside the Rotten Row bus stop; he stated that a disabled resident is unable to get onto the footpath as the kerb is so high and now has to drive from Rotten Row to the High Street. Parish Council agreed to arrange a meeting with SBC Highways to discuss this issue and to also discuss other Highway problems. ACTION: Clerk to arrange meeting.

4. Report from Ward Councillor
Mr Andrew Bennett had not arrived at this point in the meeting.
- 5.1 To consider Planning Applications received:
S/13/0561/KICO - Revised - 58 Church Road – Erection of a detached garage, single storey extensions to include raising the ridge height and the addition of a dormer windows. Parish Council felt that the revised plans did not solve the issues they had raised with the original application, they therefore agreed to object to the plans for the same reasons as the original application.
S/13/0664 – 1 Plain Farm Cottages, Foxhill – single storey side extension and rear dormer window. Parish Council raised no objection to these plans.
S/13/0706 – 6 Burycroft - 2 Storey rear and single storey side extension. Parish Council raised no objection to these plans
S/13/0710 – 1 Springlines – First floor side extension. Parish Council raised no objection to these plans.
- 5.2 To notify the Schedule to the Permission/Consent received
S/13/0448/RM – Breach House, Horpit – Erection of a timber barn/stable block for private equestrian;
S/13/0381/HC – 2 Cross Roads, Jubilee Cottage – Erection of two storey side and rear extensions and construction of new access and parking area.
- 5.3 To notify the Schedule to the refusal received.
None

6 COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES

- 6.1 Hooper's Field and Recreation
- 6.1.1 Hooper's Field subcommittee meeting held on 17th June 2013. Mr Colin Offer reported that all the clubs were going well. He stated that the main item discussed at the meeting was how successful the open day was. Mr Colin Offer also stated that he has a meeting organised with the Woodland Trust to discuss the location of the MUGA at Hooper's Field.
- 6.1.2 Sutcliffe Play have designed and quoted Parish Council for a new play area at Church Meadow and replacement play equipment at Lower Rec bark area. This is the first of three designs. Parish Council agreed to advertise each of the designs on a noticeboard in the village hall, on the parish web site and on facebook before making a final decision.
- 6.1.3 Mr Bill Suter stated that the Bowls Club has had a few problems with people attending Pilates parking on the footpaths and around the roundabout at Hooper's Field. ACTION: Clerk to write to Sonia Jones (Pilates) asking her to ensure that everyone attending her Pilates group uses one of the two car parks.
- 6.1.4 Mr Bill Suter felt that the cleaning at Hooper's Field could be improved and stated that soap, for instance, is never replaced. It was agreed that Mr Bill Suter would put together a list of all cleaning jobs that he felt needed doing on a weekly basis at Hooper's Field that the Clerk would then use this list to give to the cleaner.

6.2 Footpaths, Village Maintenance and Allotments

- 6.2.1 Allotments subcommittee meeting was held on 3rd June 2013. Mr Bob Biggs confirmed that at the meeting they discussed new rules and regulations for allotment holders, they are also looking into buying new noticeboards, sorting out the problem of the size of the manure pile and having problems with allotment holders fly tipping in the ditch. Mr Bob Biggs confirmed that a letter will be sent to the owner of plot C8 confirming the committee's decision to terminate her agreement.
- 6.2.2 Allotment competition first round to be held on 27th June and second round on 25th July 2013, both at 5.30pm. Letters have been sent to all allotment holders. Mr Bolton has asked if the Parish Council will consider making a donation to the Swindon Hydrotherapy Pool rather than giving him a present. Parish Council unanimously agreed to donate £25.
- 6.2.3 Mr Colin Offer reported that there are a number of footpaths around the village with overgrown shrubbery. ACTION: Clerk to contact Annie Ellis to get the shrubbery strimmed back.

6.3 Wanborough Village Hall Management Committee

- 6.3.1 Mr Roger Whitfield reported that the last Village Hall meeting was the AGM. He confirmed that the main focus at the meeting was the refurbishment plans which are due to take place over the summer holidays.

6.4 Planning and Finance

- 6.4.1 SBC's Draft Eastern Villages SPD – Parish Council have sent comments to SBC in relation to this document; at the moment Parish Council have not received a reply. This document is due to go to SBC's Planning Committee on 9th July 2013.
- 6.4.2 Parish Council met with PGL Liddington to discuss their expansion proposals. Mr Gary Sumner confirmed that this was a very useful meeting: PGL showed their plans and everyone at the meeting confirmed that they were happy with them. Clerk to send SBC's link to the planning page for Parish Councillors who were unable to attend the meeting.

7. **FINANCE**

7.1 Financial Statement

To be carried over to next meeting.

7.2 Monthly Cash Flow Statement

To be carried over to next meeting.

8. **OTHER**

8.1 Transport

- 8.1.1 SBC's Education Transport Policy for 2014/15 consultation ends on Sunday 14th July 2013. Mr Gary Sumner confirmed that there is a meeting at Wanborough Primary School on 25th June, SBC will be attending the meeting and discussing their new proposals.

8.2 Grants

8.2.1 Letter received from Wilts & Berks Canal Trust asking if Parish Council would consider a grant towards the cost of a second hand mini dumper for their volunteer group. Total cost £350. After a discussion Parish Council unanimously agreed to contribute to half the cost of the mini dumper £175.

8.2.2 E-mail received from Chris Chilcott (Wanborough Junior Football Club) asking if Parish Council would consider contributing towards the cost of a football kit for the new U7 team, at a total estimated cost of £300. After a discussion Parish Council unanimously agreed to pay for the new football kit up to the value of £300.

8.3 Flooding

8.3.1 Parish Council agreed to hold the next flood meeting in September. ACTION: Clerk to arrange meeting with all relevant parties for September, preferably on a Thursday.

8.4 Eastern Village Working Party

8.4.1 The next Working Party meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th June at Hinton Parva Village Hall at 7pm. Parish Council agreed that if SBC do not reply to their comments made on the Eastern Villages SPD before this meeting date then Parish Council will withdraw from the Working Party meetings. Parish Council feel that over the last 18 months the Working Party meetings have not been successful, as Parish Council keep going over the same issues with SBC but nothing is done.

8.5 WVV Steering Committee Meeting

Nothing to report.

8.6 Neighbourhood Plan

8.6.1 To get this project started Parish Council agreed to hold the first meeting on Thursday 11th July at Hooper's Field at 7pm. ACTION: Clerk to e-mail Dave Roberts (Parish Plan) to invite him to this meeting.

8.7 Wanborough Post Office

8.7.1 Mr Gary Sumner confirmed the owners of the Post Office have confirmed that they will put their house on the market without the post office to see whether it will sell. They have offered a price for the Post Office to Parish Council for £80k; however they will need to be sure that they can sell the house first. The income from the Post Office will reduce to £7k for the new owner which is a substantial decrease and the viability of a post office will need to be considered with this reduced income. The owners of the Post Office have offered to pay a contribution to Parish Council for a new post office to be built in front of the village hall. It was agreed that Parish Council would gain quotes for plans to be drawn up. ACTION: Clerk to arrange.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Meeting closed at 21.35

Date of next meeting Monday 22nd July 2013