

WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a Parish Council meeting held in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Woodcote, 5th August 2009.

PRESENT

Mr. Colin Edwards
Mr. Den Griffiths
Mr. John Lynch
Mrs. Marilyn Maddock
Mr. Robin Peirce (from 8.00 pm)
Mr. Peter Tyler
Mr. David Sexon

County Councillor

(1) **APOLOGIES**

Chairman

Mrs. Fiona Preston
Mrs. Maureen Edmonds
Mrs Diana Hadaway

In the absence of the Chairman and a Vice Chairman the meeting voted to accept Mr John Lynch as Chairman for the meeting.

(2) **TO AUTHORISE** the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th July 2009.
IT WAS RESOLVED that these minutes be accepted and signed.

(3) **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ADDRESS THE MEETING**

(4) **CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS** None

(5) **PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED**

P09/E0728 Halarose House - Wood Green 3 Goring Road Woodcote
Change of use of the ground floor of Halarose House from B1
offices to A1 retail to use as hair studio. No external changes.
IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Approval.

(6) **PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED, REFUSED AND OTHER
PLANNING MATTERS**

PLANNING APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED

P09/E0641 Horns Farm

**Council
Recommendation**
Approval

PLANNING APPLICATIONS REFUSED

P09/E0476 65 Wayside Green

Refusal

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

The Clerk agreed to write to SODC Planning concerning structure that had appeared in Bridle Path. **CLERK**

(7) REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr. David Sexon advised the meeting that he had been allocated to the Scrutiny Committee for Childrens' services a working group on raising attainment in schools and had been appointed to champion the elderly. He was currently looking into the bus schedule from Goring to Wallingford which did not coincide with the train timetable.

(8) REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Cllr. Robin Peirce reported there was little to report at this time but he was keeping a watch on progress of the Mowforth House Plan.

(9) FINANCE

(i) Payments in August 2009

The following payments were agreed:

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|------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 3047 | Woodcote Volunteers | Donation | 150.00 |
| 3048 | Mrs. Preston | Chairs Expense Q1 | 30.00 |
| 3049 | OCC | Youth Worker | 5,216.92 |
| 3050 | Mr. Jordan | Flowers/Card for KW | 36.70 |
| 3051 | Mr. Smallbone | Litter Clearance | 125.00 |
| 3052 | Berinsfield | Grass Cutting | 653.09 |
| 3053 | Petty Cash | | 94.64 |
| 3054 | SG Creative | Web Maintenance | 80.00 |
| | | Total | £6,386.35 |

(ii) Receipts in July 2009

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|----------|--------------------------|----------|-------|
| 13.07.09 | SEB | Wayleave | 44.41 |
| 27.07.09 | Natwest Treasury A/c | | 7.03 |
| 06.07.09 | COIF Deposit | | 16.01 |
| 01.07.09 | Interest Reserve Account | | 3.19 |

JULY TOTAL **£70.64**

(iii) Transfers in July 2009 None

(iv) Request for Grants None

(v) **Review of Q1 Expenditure**

EXPENDITURE

| Cost Centre | Expenditure to end June 2009 | Budget for the Year 2009/10 |
|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | |
| Admin | 5,091.57 | 21,376.00 |
| S137 Payments | 45.00 | 1,452.00 |
| Miscellaneous Grants | 0.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Non Committed Grants | 4,400.00 | 12,050.00 |
| Village Maintenance | 5,010.91 | 23,630.00 |
| Allotments | 183.00 | 1,099.00 |
| Major Items | 0.00 | 7,000.00 |
| | | |
| Total | £14,730.48 | £67,607 |

The total expenditure to end June 2009 is well below one quarter of the total year budget. This is mainly due to a number of items budgeted for that will not be spent until later in the year. Non Committed Grant Expenditure is over one quarter of the total year budget because one off payments for the hire of rooms of £2,000 and payment to the Village Green Committee of £1,900 were made in the first quarter.

RECEIPTS

| Income Centre | Income to end June 2009 | Budget for the Year 2009/10 |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | |
| Precept | 27,420.00 | 54,840.00 |
| Regular Income | 4,149.13 | 7,850.00 |
| Investment Income | 21.80 | 3,300.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 302.00 | 0.00 |
| | | |
| Total | 31,892.93 | 65,990 |

The total income to end June 2009 is well above one quarter of the total year budget. This is mainly due to the precept being paid in advance for 6 months. Regular income is high because the allotment receipts are all received in the first quarter. Investment Income is running well under budget because of the low interest rates, however, a number of interest payments are not due until March 2010. Nevertheless it is expected that there will be a shortfall on the year of some £2,000.

The Council agreed to proceed with the the annual safety check of the play equipment. **CLERK**

(10) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following Correspondence was noted except where specifically annotated.

A.

- TPO confirmation
- OCC Speed Limit Review
- OCC DMMO for Dean Woods footpath
- Lions Club 10K Run

The Council agreed to allow the Lions to use the car park.

- SODC Code of Conduct Questionnaire
- Email from Dave Sexon – Speed Limits

The Council approved of the proposed speed limit changes on the A4074 but disapproved of the changes on the B473. Clerk to respond to OCC. **CLERK - done**

- SODC Planning Mowforth House

Mrs. Maddock declared an interest. It was agreed to put this item on the next agenda. **CLERK - done**

B. For Information, Not Requiring Action

- Woodcote Crime Statistics April – June 2009
- Chilterns News of the Woods
- Oxfordshire Highways 2008/09 Report

(14) EMERGENCY QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Peter Tyler raised the issue of access to the south end of the recreation ground. The new SOHA development was preventing vehicles gaining access. Councillors were asked to have a look at the site and report to the Clerk their views so that SOHA could be informed accordingly. **ALL**

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

..... **CHAIRMAN**

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DATE