

WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Woodcote 19th August 2009.

PRESENT

Mrs. Maureen Edmonds
Mr. Den Griffiths
Mrs. Diana Hadaway
Mr. John Lynch
Mrs Marilyn Maddock
Mr. Robin Peirce (from 8.20 pm)

(1) APOLOGIES

Chairman

Mrs. Fiona Preston
Mr. Colin Edwards
Mr. Peter Tyler

In the absence of the Chairman Mrs. Fiona Preston and a Vice-Chairman, Mr. Den Griffiths was appointed as chairman.

(2) TO AUTHORISE the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5th August 2009

IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted and signed.

(3) REVIEW OF ACTIONS see Appendix.

(4) MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ADDRESS THE MEETING

PCSO Mark Bell reported that he had dealt with motor bikers using the woods in Long Toll and had issued two section 59 orders on motorists in the village hall car park.

(5) CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS . No report

(6) PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

P09/E0836 Squirrels Heath 66 Whitehouse Road Woodcote Single Storey rear extension

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Approval.

P09/E0745 22 Wood Green Woodcote Extension of existing double garage into garden.

Mr. Marilyn Maddock declared an interest and left the meeting while the council

considered its decision.

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Approval

(7) PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED, REFUSED AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

P09/E0642 Beechwood South Stoke Road

Parish Council
Recommendation
Approval

(8) FINANCE

(i) Payments in August 2009

The following payments were agreed:

3055	Berinsfield	Grass Cutting	861.41
3056	HM Revenue		430.30
3057	Community Centre	Hire of Room	10.00
3059	BDO Stoy Hayward LLP	Audit Fee	488.75
DD	BT Direct Debit	Telephone Charge	22.00
DD	Thames Water		11.00
DD	AOL		17.99
SO	Mr. Jordan	Aug '09 Pay	740.30
SO	Mr. Fordham	Aug '09 Pay	633.40
SO	Mr. Giles	Aug '09 Pay	173.56
		Total	£3,388.71

(9) REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

(i) Village Hall Management Committee

Mrs. Marilyn Maddock reported that the new Treasurer was June Mayle.

(ii) Village Green Committee No report

(10) MOWFORTH HOUSE

Mrs. Karen Woolley reported on the latest progress on the Mowforth House Development. Mr. Rod Upham, a member of the public, expressed concern about the problems of vehicle access to the site and the environmental impact of the loss of trees. Mrs. Marilyn Maddock speaking as a member of the public said the bulk of the development was overbearing to 22 Wood Green. Mr. Pierce reiterated that he would continue to press for the allocation of the available residences to favour local residents of Woodcote.

(11) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following Correspondence was noted except where specifically annotated.

A.

- SODC Mowforth House

B. For Information, Not Requiring Action

- Chilterns Annual Review

(12) EMERGENCY QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Edmonds reported that the website was not up to date with regards to the members of the council and the latest minutes. The Clerk agreed to ensure this was corrected.

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm

..... CHAIRMAN

..... DATE

OUTSTANDING ACTION LIST – 5th August 2009

Chairmans Address - Page 2

Following a very low attendance at the Annual Parish Meeting the Council considered ways of promoting the meeting next year. It was reported that Mr. Peter Tyler had a contact that could supply banners that could be used to advertise the meeting. **PT**

Planning Applications - Page 131

Further to the proposed development of Mowforth House, Mrs. Woolley asked Mr. Robin Peirce to press the planning department for their support prior to the public meeting that is set for 16th July 2009.

RP

Other Council Matters – Page 136

The Clerk agreed to write to SODC Planning concerning the apparent conversion of an outside barn at the Citadel, Tidmore Lane for residential use. **CLERK**

Letter sent.

Mrs. Fiona Preston reported the destruction of TPO'd trees at Walker Close had taken place without consultation with the local council. Mr. Robin Peirce agreed to investigate the matter with the tree officer at SODC. The Clerk was asked to complain to the head of planning, Mr. Adrian Duffield. **RP/CLERK**

Letter sent

Removal of Clothes Bank – Page 137

IT WAS RESOLVED to have the Clothes Bank relocated in the village. Also the Clerk was granted permission to have the three recycling bins situated in the car park removed. **CLERK**

Three telephone calls to Mr. Kevin Matthews have not managed to get the bins removed despite his promises. Still no decision as to where to put the clothes bin.

Mrs. Diana Hadaway to write an article in the Correspondent to ascertain how many residents used the bank and requesting suggestions about its relocation. **DH**

Action completed.

Correspondence – Page 138

- Reply from West London Aero Club

Clerk to ask West London Aero Club for permission to publish their letter in the Correspondent. **CLERK**

Letter sent.

Parking Notices on Village Hall – Page 139

It was agreed that two notices will suffice, one at each end of the Village Hall. Clerk to seek quotations. Also Clerk to inform the Village Hall Committee about this proposal.

CLERK

Quotation requested.

Members of the Public – Page 139

The Clerk would acquire the necessary documentation and work with the Woodcote Conservation Group to collect witness statement and complete and submit the necessary documentation.

CLERK/SS

Information pack arrived. Sue Sandford has been informed by email.

Mrs. Diana Hadaway agreed to request through the Correspondent that regular users of the path come forward as witnesses.

DH

Action completed.

Mrs. Fiona Preston agreed to contact a number of people including Mrs. Joy Aldridge, Mr. Mike Fulton, Mrs. Diana Haldine, Mrs. Jean Simpson and Mr. John Gant.

FP

The Clerk agreed to issue a plan for each councillor so that they may determine the priorities for weed clearance of granite setts

ALL

Awaiting returns from PT, CE

It was agreed to proceed to appoint Berinsfield to clear the weeds on those roads reported to date.

Chairmans Address – Page 140

Mrs. Fiona Preston raised the matter of progressing the Parish Plan actions. Mr. John Lynch agreed to get these actions expedited and to keep the monitoring document up to date.

JL

Mr. Den Griffiths agreed to have a look at the web site and recommend any new ideas for its improvement.

DG