

WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a Parish Council meeting held in the Committee Room, Village Hall Woodcote 2nd February 2011, commencing 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Chairman	Mrs. M. Edmonds
Vice Chairman	Mrs. D. Hadaway
	Mr. K. Grady
	Mr. A. Allen
	Mr. R. Peirce
	Mr. P. Stevenson
	Mr. J. Lynch
Parish Clerk	Ms. Jenny Welham

1.To Receive Apologies For Absence

Mr. P. Tyler, Mr. C. Edwards, Mrs. S. Harrison.

2. To Receive Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Public Forum

2 members of the public for their planning application, P10/E1924

4. To Approve Minutes of Meeting held on 19th January 2011

Approved.

5. Matters arising from those Minutes not on the Agenda Elsewhere

None.

6. Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that the rebuilding of Whitchurch Bridge has been postponed and will now commence in October 2012 and not October 2011 as previously advised. Clerk to circulate the email with press release. The Chairman congratulated Councillor John Lynch on being awarded his OBE.

7. Planning

The Chairman asked Councils permission to review the deferred application P10/E1924 as it had been missed from the agenda. It was agreed.

7.1 Applications

P10/E1924 Erection of single and two storey rear extensions and single storey side extension 3 The Close, Woodcote.

Councillors Tyler and Allen had now made an inspection of the site. The applicant clarified some of the points on the plan to the meeting. Agreed no Strong Views.

7.2 Applications Granted by SODC:

P10/E1717 Demolition of existing rear extension. Proposed single-storey rear and first floor side extension. 4 Gap Way Woodcote.

7.3 Applications Refused BY SODC:

P10/E1793 Erection of bungalow with access and parking. Land to rear of 4 Goring Rd, North side of West Chiltern Woodcote.

7.4 Other Planning Matters.

The Clerk updated Councillor Lynch on the progress of the adverse possession application to Land Registry for the strip of Land in West Chiltern. Currently Councillor Peirce is looking at the latest form ST1 to get some help in completing this form as it has legal implications.

The Clerk brought to the attention of Council an email from Susan Sandford regarding the proposed development of the land at Behoes Lane/South Stoke Road . Council advised the Clerk of their response as there is currently no submitted planning application and requested that a reply be sent.

8. Finance To approve payments. To note receipts

<u>Cheque</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Amount</u> £)	<u>Date</u>
3233	K.Knight	Jan litter picking	£150.00	2.2.11
3234	K.Smallbone	Jan War Memorial	£25.00	
3235	Langtree School	Youth Club Funding	£3,876.75	
3236	OPFA	Annual sub	£42.00	
3237	SODC	Dog Waste collection	£79.92	

APPROVED

To Note Receipts

None.

8.1 Quotations/Grants received for approval

None.

9. Review of Standing Orders – to review & update Standing Orders adopted by Parish Council.

The Chairman asked Council if they had read the Draft Standing Orders that the Clerk had circulated prior to the meeting, some of the Councillors had not seen the email. The Chairman advised that the areas in bold type on the standing orders were law and therefore could not be changed. Also the Chairman proposed the financial amounts to be added to the Draft Standing Orders for purchase of goods and services and suggested the levels to be set for 3 quotations and then for full tender. Clerk to re-circulated the Draft and include on the Agenda for the meeting on 16th February 2011.

10. District Councillor's Report

Councillor Peirce reported that there were many meetings being held at SODC but so far no feedback had yet come from these meetings. Everyone is waiting to hear the proposals for the next year and budgets and amount of cutbacks. Chairman suggested that he report at the next meeting.

11. Other Matters to be raised with the Chairman

Councillor Hadaway mentioned that there was a lot of litter in the village on the Reading Road as you come into the village from the A4074 along to Tidmarsh Lane. Also litter around the Co-operative Store and on the Green on the corner by the store. Clerk to contact SODC Public Amenities and also write to the Store Manager and the Head of Langtree School regarding the litter by the Co-operative store as many of the pupils use this area at lunchtime.

Councillor Lynch suggested we approach the group for Care in the Community to use them to pick litter when they are in the village. Mr. K. Ison is arranging this currently, **it was agreed** that the Clerk should contact him regarding this.

Councillor Grady raised the point about Traffic on the Goring Road, referring to high speeds and that there had been another accident involving two cars at the cross roads by the War Memorial. Councillor Grady will draft his points and send them to the Clerk who is to contact Traffic at OCC and also PCSO Mark Bell.

The Chairman advised the meeting that there were only 5 more meetings for this current Council, before elections, and that Councillors should start to consider if they are going to stand for Council next year and what their plans are. Clerk will send out the forms when received.

12. Correspondence

1. Email from Karen Woolley – To re-establishing the dipping well at Greenmore Ponds. This was read to Council who felt more information was required such as depth of the Well, etc., and would Health and Safety requirements come into play. To be placed as an Agenda Item for next meeting. Clerk to reply to email.

2. Letter from F.Y.Davies – re injury outside village hall due to raised paving slab. Council agreed that the Clerk should contact Higley Brothers for a quotation to repair and reply to the letter.

13. To note date of the next meeting: Wednesday 16th February 2011.

Chairman closed the meeting at 8.42 pm

Signed: _____ Chairman/Date _____