

WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Woodcote 15th July 2009.

PRESENT

Chairman	Mrs. Fiona Preston
Vice Chairman	Mrs. Karen Woolley
	Mrs. Maureen Edmonds
	Mr. Den Griffiths
	Mrs. Diana Hadaway
	Mr. John Lynch
	Mrs Marilyn Maddock

(1) APOLOGIES

	Mr. Colin Edwards
	Mr. Robin Peirce
	Mr. Peter Tyler
County Councillor	Mr. David Sexon

Mrs. Maureen Edmonds, as the new co-opted councillor signed the “Declaration of Acceptance of Office” and joined the meeting.

(2) TO AUTHORISE the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1st July 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

Mrs. Sue Sandford joined the discussion about Footpath WD 28 in Deans Wood. It was reported that the line drawn on the official map from the Footpath Department represented the legal route. The Council disputed this and **IT WAS RESOLVED** to acquire the necessary pack to (a) Dispute route of the currently registered path (b) To register the traditional path as a footpath and (c) To register a well trodden third path that runs along the southern boundary of the wood. 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**

Mrs. Karen Woolley agreed to contact Mr. Alan Lidiard to enlist his help. **KW**

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

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**

(5) CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS .

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**

Mrs. Fiona Preston had been advised by PCSO Mark Bell that the youths responsible for damaging one of the villages seats had been served with a section 59 order.

She also thanked Mr. John Lynch for attending and representing the Council at the recent Toll Bridge meeting.

The Clerk said that the Q1 expenditure review would take place at the next meeting.

Following the resignation of Councillor Karen Woolley **IT WAS RESOLVED** that she would be co-opted to represent the Council in future discussion on the future of Mowforth House. Clerk to inform SOHA, Ede Ltd and SODC Planning of this appointment. **CLERK - done**

Mrs. Woolley's suggestion to have a "Moving Day" to assist the residents of Mowforth House to move to their new home was accepted in principal by the Council.

Mrs. Woolley presented the latest proposals from Jonathan Ede for the development of the Folly site. Although the general plans were acceptable to the Council it would be preferred if the plans relating to adjacent buildings were not sympathetic with the Mowforth House plans. Mrs. Woolley agreed to pass these comments back to Jonathan Ede.

Mrs. Fiona Preston on behalf of the Council, thanked Mrs. Karen Woolley for her outstanding work during her 12 year term as parish councillor. Mrs. Woolley was presented with a bouquet of flowers at the end of the meeting.

(6) PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

P09/E0641 Horns Farm Tidmore Lane Woodcote Construction of menage on land at Horns Farm

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Approval.

P09/E0642 Beechwood South Stoke Road Woodcote Demolition of lean-to extension, garage, workshop and shed. Erection of two storey side extension, replacement garage, workshop. Re-open vehicular access (amendment to planning permission P08/E0978 to combine two dormers to one on the front and rear elevations).

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend No Strong Views

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

P09/E0454 Blenheim House

Parish Council
Recommendation
No Strong Views

(8) FINANCE

(i) Payments in July 2009

The following payments were agreed:

3045	VHMC	Room Rental	2,750.00
3046	HM Revenue		480.43
DD	BT Direct Debit	Telephone Charge	22.00
DD	Thames Water		11.00
DD	AOL		17.99
SO	Mr. Jordan	July '09 Pay	740.30
SO	Mr. Fordham	July '09 Pay	633.40
SO	Mr. Giles	July '09 Pay	173.56
			£4,828.68

(9) REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

(i) Village Hall Management Committee

Mrs. Marilyn Maddock reported the proposal to refurbish the kitchen

(ii) Village Green Committee No report

(10) RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMIN GROUP

Mrs. Fiona Preston outlined the recommendations of the Administration Working Group. She would circulate the latest booklets from OALC for the councillors to read.

FP - done

As a trial, in future to speed up the meetings the Chairman and Clerk would endeavour to put a published time line against future agenda items.

(11) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following Correspondence was noted except where specifically annotated.

A.

- OCC Closure of B471 Goring Road
- OCC Footpath 28 Dean Woods
- OCC Legal Department Footpath 28
- OCC Maintenance at Pot Kiln Lane

B. For Information, Not Requiring Action

- The Clerk July '09
- OPFA The Playing Field Summer 2009

(12) EMERGENCY QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

None

Meeting closed at 9.45 pm

..... CHAIRMAN

..... DATE

OUTSTANDING ACTION LIST – 15th July 2009

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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**

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The Clerk was also asked to acquire the necessary pack from the footpath department to apply for another well established footpath to be officially registered. **CLERK**

Completed – Information received.

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Mrs. Fiona Preston reported the meeting with Mrs. Karen Woolley and the Clerk concerning new administration procedures recommended by the Administration Working Group. She would call another meeting of the group in the near future to endorse a paper prepared by Mr. Karen Woolley. **FP**

Completed.

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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**