

WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

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

PRESENT

Chairman	Mrs. M. Edmonds
Vice chairman	Mrs. D. Hadaway
	Mr. Robin Peirce
	Mr. Colin Edwards
	Mr. Kevin Grady
	Mr. P. Tyler
	Mr. J. Lynch
County Cllr.	Mr. D. Sexon
Parish Clerk	Ms. Jenny Welham

1. To Receive Apologies For Absence

Mr. D. Griffiths

2. To Receive Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Public Forum

None.

4. To Approve Minutes of Meeting held on May 5TH 2010 and 19th May 2010

Minutes 5th May 2010 Approved.

Minutes 19th May 2010, 2 small alterations then approved.

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

Councillor Tyler requested that the Clerk advises the Community Centre Committee that he has the Centre as his area of interest.

6. Chairman's Address

Chair reminded Councillors of the War Memorial Service on June 17th 2010 and requested that they attend if possible.

7. Facilities Manager Role Community Centre

Following the resignation of the current Cleaner and the redundancy of the Facilities Manager it was resolved that the Parish Council pay an annual amount to the Community Centre Committee to facilitate the employment of a Cleaner/Facilities Manager. Annual amount of £1250.00 to cover the period until 31st March 2011. Approved.

8. Planning

8.1 Applications

P10/E0551/A 2 x fascia signs, 2 x information signs 2 Bridle Path Woodcote.

Recommend Refusal – objection to illuminated sign on end of building facing Goring Rd in AONB.

(County Councillor David Sexon arrived 7.55pm)

P10/E0468 PV panels on south facing roof between gables South Ridge Long Toll Woodcote.
Recommend Approval.

8.2 Applications Granted

P10/E0324 Change of use of land rear of Sonsbeck from garden top timber storage & erection of new timber store for kiln dried timbers. Bouchier Fencing site Goring Rd Woodcote. Granted.

P10/E0370 Installation of mechanical plant with acoustic screening Co-op Supermarket 2 Bridle Path Woodcote Granted.

P10/E0428 & P10/S0429/LB Addition of new porch to the Chapel to match the adjacent existing porch. The Oratory School Woodcote. Granted.

P10/E0078 Demolition of existing hangers and replace with 3 T Hangars. Whittles Farm Mapledurham Withdrawn

8.3 Applications Refused

Breach of Planning Control at Chiltern Park Airfield Icknield Road Ipsden.
Letter from Planning Services, Noted.

9. Finance

To approve payments

		Amount		
Cheque	Payee	£)	Date	Reason
3158	A.Fordham	1,145.89	2.6.	Redundancy/Holiday pay
3159	SwiftClik	18.54	2.6	Stationery
3160	K Smallbone	125.00	2.6	Litter picking

APPROVED

To note Receipts

None.

9.1 Facilities Manager Final Redundancy/ Holiday Payment

Clerk presented breakdown of the figures. Approved.

9.2 Quotations received for approval

Quotation from Allum signs to update board in village Hall £60.00 plus VAT. Approved.

10. County Councillor's Report

Expressed continued concern that the pot hole repairing in the County is still not satisfactory.

Has spoken to the Cabinet Member for the area who has promised to reply with a written update.

New Contractors can repair pot holes that are unmarked by white lines and are close to pot holes they are repairing that have been marked. Councillor Lynch expressed that the pot holes on major roads/routes that are still unrepaired should be given priority over minor roads.

New area stewards to operate, 14 in total, who will look at environment, transport etc in the County.

Councillor will update the Parish Council on how to contact the Area Steward and the specific duties following a meeting later this month.

Commented on the Chill Out Fund and that the Youth Centre representative had not made contact with him.

Councillor Edwards confirmed from the Youth Centre minutes that to date not application for Chill Out funding this year had yet been made but it had been discussed.

Reported that Thames Travel had confirmed that the X39 bus will not stop in Woodcote, reason due to the tight scheduling time. All Councillors expressed that as they run a public service the scheduling should be reviewed and requested that County Councillor continue to help with this matter and do what he can.

11. District Councillor's Report

Councillor gave update on Letter from the Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government Stating that the new government intend to abolish regional spatial strategies and return decision making powers on housing and planning to local councils. This will include decisions on the amount of housing within individual local authority areas. Copy of letter available from the Clerk's office.

12. Applicants for Councillor Vacancy

Two applicants have expressed interest. Clerk to invite both applicants to attend the next Parish Council Meeting so they can experience the meeting and ask questions etc.

13. Other Matters to be raised with Chairman

Councillor gave report on the Village Spring Clean weekend. Attendance was limited. Thanks will be put in the Correspondent for the villagers who did attend. Questioned the need to run this event each year could now be redundant as the village litter situation is much better. Councillor will review the Verdant contract to check the frequency of litter picking for Woodcote village within the contract.

(Councillor Tyler left meeting 8.50pm)

Councillor expressed concern with regard to two properties within the village, one on South Stoke Road and one in Greenmore, that planning regulations may have been breached or disregarded. To give more information to the Clerk who will check with Planning Enforcement.

Councillor asked for more information on his areas of interest, Village Hall, and Youth Centre Meetings, given the information from other Councillors. Asked about the Traffic Committee, there is currently no committee, copies of the speed survey are available. Should this committee be resurrected, Agenda item for another meeting.

Next Parish Council Meeting will be at the Community Centre as the Village Hall is booked out for a WADS dress rehearsal.

14. Correspondence

Rural Services Network email requesting subscription. Noted.

Email from resident regarding Telephone Box vandalising in village. Pass to PCSO Mark Bell.

15. To note date of the next meeting: Wednesday 16th June 2010

Note venue will be Lions Den Room at The community Centre for this meeting.

Chair declared Meeting Closed at 9.10pm

Signed: _____ Date

