



Chairman Peirce replied to this saying that the Developer was referring to the larger villages with a population of 3000 plus so felt Woodcote was not included in this inference. (*District Councillor Quinton then left the meeting to attend the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting.*)

**9. Tidmore Lane Pond** –ownership to be established so Conservation Group can restore the pond.

Mrs. Woolley gave some background information regarding the pond and described its location. The owners of the house opposite the pond Mr. & Mrs Bishop had alerted the Conservation Group to the fact that the pond was very dry and boggy. On inspection the pond is very shaded by trees which need to be cut back and does need to have silt removed. Grants are available for this type of work but the issue is that the ownership of the land where the pond is does not seem to be established, it was thought that Christchurch owned the land but there is confirmation that they do not, and it is not registered as common land like Greenmore Ponds. Mrs. Woolley proposed that the Parish Council should adopt the land, so a grant can be applied for to carry out conservation of the pond. It was resolved that the Parish Council will progress with an application to Land Registry. Mrs. Woolley confirmed she will pass copies of all the correspondence to the Clerk.

**10. Planning Applications:**

P11/E1643/LB Single Storey extension, to rear and internal alterations and outdoor swimming pool. The Folly South Stoke Rd Woodcote RG8 0PL. Recommend Approval.

10.1 Applications Granted by SODC:

P11/E1436 Extension over garage, utility and part kitchen, front and rear single storey extensions Cotswolds Behoes Lane Woodcote RG8 0PP.

10.2 Applications Refused by SODC:

None.

10.3 Other Planning Matters

The Clerk commented to the Chairman that the paperwork for the Adverse Possession application for the strip of land in West Chiltern needs to be returned so further progress can be made. Chairman agreed and will ask the Vice Chairman to return the paperwork, the Council will then need to decide the best way forward with this without incurring too much expense on legal advice.

**11. Finance** To approve payments. To note receipts.

<u>Date Paid</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Cheque Ref</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Transaction Detail</u>
			<u>Paid</u>	
02/11/2011	ML & SJ Higley Bros	69	£24	Fixing Notice Board to VH
02/11/2011	K. Knight	70	£156	Litter pick Oct
02/11/2011	K. Smallbone	71	£25	War Memorial OCT
02/11/2011	Village Green	72	£1,900	Annual grant from PC
02/11/2011	RBL Poppy Appeal	73	£50	Donation & wreath
		<b>Total</b>	2,155.00	
		<b>Payments</b>		
02/11/2011	Chiltern Waste Services	4	£264.00	Allotment Skip

APPROVED, Noted that there had been no receipts.

11.1 Quotations/Grants received for approval.

None.

**12. Budget 2012/13** – Preliminary review for next Financial Year.

A report until 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011 had been circulated by the Clerk. The categories were reviewed, Chairman Peirce requested that Councillors review the report further and suggest any category or areas that need including that are not already covered. He also stated that the budget figures need to be finalised by our first meeting in December, as SODC require Precept applications early in January 2012. The Clerk advised that the Precept should be raised for next year's budget, it has been held at the same level for 3 years. Chairman Peirce concurred and the amount of increase was suggested at 3%. Budget to be included on the agenda for next meeting where more detail will be discussed and resolved.

**13. Committee Reports** – Update & Reports from the various Village Committee's.

None.

**14. Matters for Council to Consider.**

Councillor Booth had a question regarding the Village Hall Management Committee and asked if this Committee was a sub- committee of the Parish Council. Chairman Peirce replied stating that the VHMC and the Village Green Committee are not sub-committees of the PC, they were both registered with the Charity Commission and have a registered charity number and as such the “management” of the village hall and green for recreation is covered in the original documents. The Parish Council are the custodial trustees of the Village Hall and Green so if the Management Committees fail or default in any way the ultimate responsibility comes back to the Parish Council. The Clerk to get a copies of the original document for the Councillors who do not have a copy.

The Clerk reported that a Mr. V. Angell of Tristan Fitzgerald Associates had visited the Parish Office stating that he was acting as an Agent for two ladies in the village who owned land and were considering development. He said he would write a letter of introduction to the Parish Council, as yet nothing has been received.

The Clerk reported that the property adjacent to the Hair Dresser Kimberley’s had been sold and purchased by the father of Kim who runs Kimberley’s. He had visited the Parish Office asking what the PC would think about the premises being opened as a Fish & Chip Shop. The Clerk had advised that no view or opinion could be given by the PC until it was an actual planning application.

**15. Correspondence**

15.1 Matters for resolution

None

15.2 Matters for information

None

**16. To note date of the next meeting: Wednesday 16th November 2011.**

*Meeting closed at 9.05pm*

Signed.....Chairman/Date.....

