

(4) CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

Mrs. Preston reminded the meeting that the “Big Tidy” litter pick was scheduled for 21st September 2008.

(5) PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

P08/E0865 Woodpeckers Reading Road, Woodcote Demolish existing bungalow and construct three new dwellings.

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Refusal for the following reasons:

Policies C1 and H4. Not in keeping with the surrounding character of buildings. There are bungalows on either side of this development and two story houses would be inappropriate. The proposal is a severe overdevelopment of the site Plot 3 is built right up to the boundary and this will cause damage to the adjacent hedge on the neighbouring property. The houses are built far too close together. Policies H4, D4 and G6: Both neighbours at the side and at the back will be badly affected by the development. Policies C1 C2 and G2: these houses are the first to be seen on entering the village from the A4074 along Reading Road and the development will appear as an urban scene not a rural one. The driveways are too small to accommodate three car spaces and allow turning. Backing into the main road will be dangerous. Policies D2 and T2 apply. This road is very busy in the morning and evenings when school children are being transported. Entrance to the local school is nearby. The current bungalow on the site is "wheel chair adapted". There is a great shortage of these homes available in the county and it would be a great shame to lose it. There is no tree survey provided.

P08/E0978 Beechwood, South Stoke Road, Woodcote Demolition of lean-to extension, garage, workshop and shed. Erection of two storey extension, replacement garage, workshop. Re-open vehicular access.

IT WAS RESOLVED to recommend Approval.

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

PLANNING APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED

	Parish Council Recommendation
P08/E0626 43 West Chiltern	No Strong Views
P08/E0756 Highland House	Approval
P08/E0759 93 Wayside Green	Approval

PLANNING APPLICATIONS REFUSED

None

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Mrs. Preston reported no progress resolving the problems of Mowforth House following a meeting on 27th August 2008 with Mr. S. Lynch and Mrs. C. Burchett of SOHA. Mr. Richard Peacock, the Chief Executive of SOHA did not attend. However, Mr. Peacock had agreed to have a meeting with Jonathan Ede of Builders Ede, MP John Howell and the Parish Council on 11th September 2008. She also reminded the meeting of the impending public meeting scheduled for 9th September 2008 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Council agreed to set aside money from the office refurbishment budget to proceed with a housing survey in the village. ORCC will do the questionnaire Analysis.

(7) REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Councillor John Farrow not present.

(8) REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Further to the merger of management functions between SODC and the Vale Mr. Robin Pierce reported that the Chief Executive's job would be advertised.

(9) FINANCE

(i) Payments in August 2008

The following payments were agreed:

2910	Mr. Smallbone	Litter Clearance	125.00
2911	Mrs. Preston	Office Refurbishment	113.70
2912	ML & SJ Higley	Millenium Sign	29.37
2913	Pangbourne Medical	Health Report for IG	117.50
2914	Berinsfield	Grass Cutting	770.26
2915	Woodcote Correspondent	Adverts	33.00
2916	SG Creative Solutions	Web Site	105.00
		Total	£1,293.83

(ii) Receipts in August 2008

27.08.0			
8	Interest - Natwest Treasury A/c		232.70
20.08.0			
8	Com. Centre	Cleaning	334.62
19.08.0			
8	VHMC	Cleaning	2,303.02
29.08.0			
8	COIF	Fixed Interest	199.35
Total			£ 3,069.69

(iii) Transfers in August 2007 None

(iv) Request for Grants None

(10) YOUTH MATTERS

Mrs. Maddock reported that the meeting of the Youth Group had called for more people to assist with the youth evenings.

(11) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following Correspondence was noted except where specifically annotated.

A.

- Pangbourne Medical Practice Health Report

The Council noted that the Occupational Health Report raised a number of questions which the Clerk agreed to convey to the Pangbourne Medical Practice. **CLERK - done**

- Mr. Buckland Insurance Claim

The Clerk was asked to pass this letter to the Insurance Company, Zurich Life. **CLERK**

- Mr. & Mrs. McKinney - Mowforth House

- SOHA

- Youth Offending Service

The Clerk was asked to thank the police for this feedback. **CLERK - done**

- Mr. & Mrs. Poyser – Mowforth House

B. For Information, Not Requiring Action

- The Clerk September 2008
- CPRE Fieldwork September 2008
- Chiltern News September 2008
- Council Direct September 2008

(16) EMERGENCY QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

The Clerk was asked to reso

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm.

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