

**MINUTES OF THE HAMBLEDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2009 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall,  
Frieth**

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Present: Cllrs Mr T. Nixey, Mr R. Baird, Mr D White, Mr J. Jackson,  
Mrs S. Walker Allies, Mrs L. Mann, Mr A. Armstrong,  
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk

8 members of the public

Apologies for absence: Cllr Mrs Robinson and Dist Cllr Emmett

- Minute 7694                    To confirm and sign the previous Minutes  
The Minutes for the 9<sup>th</sup> November meeting were agreed by  
Councillors and signed by the Chairman.
- Minute 7695                    Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests  
Cllr Baird declared a prejudicial interest in the planning application for  
Sarah's Cottage.  
Cllr Armstrong declared a prejudicial interest on the broadband item  
and a personal interest on the Meadowview Planning Application.  
Cllr Mrs Walker Allies declared a prejudicial interest on the  
broadband item.  
Cllr Nixey declared a prejudicial interest in the Sarah's Cottage  
application and a personal interest in the item on the zig zag lines for  
Frieth School.
- Minute 7680                    Progress on items from the previous minutes  
6. Cllr Armstrong has cut down the tree on Bottom Lane/Pheasants  
Hill and there are two more to do.  
9. Specially Hambleton was a great success.
- Minute 7689                    Phone boxes – our letter of objection has been submitted. WDC will  
be objecting to all Listed boxes being removed. Our next course of  
action will depend on BT's response to this objection.
- Minute 7696                    Correspondence from 10<sup>th</sup> November – 4<sup>th</sup> December 2009  
1. Email from WDC re the licence to cross WDC land at Ellery  
Rise to access the play area - cost £300.  
2. Report from Moore & Moore Carp re Frieth Horsepond  
3. Chiltern news magazine  
4. Chiltern Woodlands Newsletters  
5. JCC Minutes – passed to Cllr White  
6. Reminder from BCC – Local Area Community Planning meeting  
– 12<sup>th</sup> January at Longburrow Hall, Stokenchurch at 7.30pm –  
9.30pm – Clerk has worked with Area Co-ordinator to complete  
the set of forms with information about our Parish.  
7. WDC request for the Precept and giving the Band D figure  
8. Cheque for £2000 from Frieth Village Society for the Ellery Rise  
Play Area
- Action: Clerk
- Minute 7697                    Planning  
Applications  
**JREM/09/07172/CTREE – Sarah's Cottage, Frieth** – fell 1 spruce, 1  
conifer, 1 cedar, crown lift by up to 3m, thin by 10% and remove dead  
wood to 1 ash tree – majority comment of no objection.  
**JREM/09/07185/CTREE – Little Cottage, Frieth** – crown reduce by  
50% to 1 cherry, remove 2 hornbeam trees and crown reduce by 30%  
to 1 beech tree- no objection  
**PM/09/07320/FUL & 07321/LBC – Mill House, Henley Road** –  
householder application for construction of the new chimney to east  
side of dwelling – on circulation  
**PM/09/07289/FUL – Meadow View, Pheasants Hill** – householder  
application for construction of detached garage with store and studio  
over and relocation of existing driveway (alt scheme to pp  
08/07661/FUL – on circulation

Cllrs Nixey, White and Mann and the Clerk attended a site meeting at Hatchett Wood with Bucks CC and the project manager, construction director and manager to agree on a way forward with the construction phase with the minimal amount of inconvenience to residents. A regular Newsletter will be issued by the construction company to keep everyone informed – this will be circulated with FVS Newsletter. Issues were raised about school traffic, holding points for lorries and repair of Shogmoor Lane. There is a will to work with the Parish Council.

#### Decisions

**09/05811/FUL – land at The Firm and The Laurels, Frieth –** demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of 3 dwellings with detached car ports and new access, construction of extensions and new detached car port at The Firm and construction of detached car port at The Laurels – permit

**09/05812/CAC – Land at The Firm and The Laurels, Frieth –** Conservation Area Consent for demolition of existing outbuildings – permit

**PM/09/06762/FUL & LBC - Russell's Farm Cottage, Rockwell End -** Demolition of existing barn, erection of replacement two storey barn and reconstruction of brick and flint boundary wall – permit

**JAI/09/06868/FUL – Hutton's Farm –** change of use from agricultural land to garden area including erection of walled garden with greenhouse, water tank, hot frames, propagation house, potting shed, tool shed and compost area – withdrawn

**TPOPT/09/06799/FUL- 2 Woodcroft Cottages, Main Road, Rotten Row -** Householder application for single storey side extension – permit

**SH/09/06693/FUL – Swallows Barn, Rockwell End Lane –** Householder application for the construction of a part two storey, part single storey extension to rear – permit

**09/06929/TPO – Isabel Cottage, Skirmett –** overall crown reduction to form a topiaried Hornbeam tree – permit.

**09/06922/MINAMD – Hatchett Wood –** proposed non-material amendment to permission granted under ref 08/06936/FUL – part refused, part permit

**09/06894/FUL – 1 Perrin Springs –** householder application for construction of single storey front extension – permit

Minute 7698

To receive a report on Ellery Rise Play Area: to agree an official name and to be advised that a licence for crossing WDC land will cost £300.

Action: Clerk to book ROSPA inspection

A letter was sent to Mr & Mrs Forder as per the November meeting and a site visit took place with WDC Property Services Manager – Clive Brash, Cllrs Nixey and White and the Clerk. The equipment is installed but the ROSPA Post Installation has not taken place and this will be arranged as soon as possible and a report will be produced indicating if and what work is required. We have removed the safety fencing as this would have cost us £30 per week to retain; we have fitted a padlock to the gates to prevent access. We have asked Mr & Mrs Forder to complete the drive as soon as possible but this is unlikely to be until March /April. Until we have the ROSPA report we do not know what else will be required.

WDC need to formalise the access to the site even though the top path has been the only official access to the site since its creation. We have received the £2000 donation from Frieth Village Society.

It was resolved to call the area – The Parish Play Area – but it was noted that 'Ellery Rise' would need to appear in documents to make it clear where the play area is sited.

Minute 7699

To approve the accounts for December 2009 – Appendix 2; Signing of Cheques: to agree to a payment of £1000 from the Film Fund to the Parish Council as contributions to Ellery Rise Play Area and towards the broad band project.

The Clerk issued a spreadsheet showing the current financial position. It was agreed that £1000 could be paid out from the Film Fund.

Current Account Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> November	£ 14705.69
Less November cheques and s/o	£ 2749.68
<b>Balance</b>	<b>£ 11956.01</b>
Investment Account	£ 93.44
Bank of Ireland (as at 30th November)	£ 13231.69
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 25281.14</b>
<b>Cheques for December signature</b>	
Mrs S. Henson	£ 360.75
Mrs S. Henson exp	£ 63.37
BCC pension	£ 106.86
SLCC subscription (1/3)	£ 45.00
Moore & Moore (Frieth Pond)	£ 160.00
Roderick Baird (new tree at Frieth)	£ 115.00
Mike Henson Presentations Ltd (website update)	£ 17.25
West Wycombe Parish Council (40% of phone)	£ 75.28
C G Balkwell - hedge cutting	£ 60.95
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 1004.46</b>

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

Minute 7700

To consider expanding our website from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 to create a news update section

It would cost £35 for the creation of a News Page and £60 pa for monthly updating - currently ad hoc updates cost £15 per time.

Action: Clerk

It would be good to be able to include the articles written for FVS and the Hambleden Valley Magazine and the forthcoming Hatchett Wood Newsletter.

It was resolved to proceed as from April 2010.

Minute 7701

To consider a request made via Thames Valley Police for zig zag lines near Frieth School

Action: Clerk

It was agreed to ask Frieth Village Society for their views.

Minute 7702

To set the precept for 2010/2011

Action: Clerk

It was resolved to set the Precept at £28,000

Minute 7703

To receive the latest information on Broad Band

Mr Proffitt of the Broadband Group gave a short report to the Parish Council.

The recent article in the Daily Telegraph contained quite a large amount of mis information and did have an adverse affect on progress with broadband in the valley for a short time. BT suddenly thought they would enable Henley with superfast broadband however this would cost between £240000 and £280000 it was therefore agreed that we would continue with Village Networks. The required money has been raised through pledges from the community and spare money will be used to provide a service to the harder to reach areas and also to refund those people who made pledges but will not be able to receive a service.

The Bucks County Council money offered through the Community Priorities Scheme will go direct to the Broadband group and not through the Parish Council. The first implementation should be in January.

Minute 7704

Members Questions

1. Cllr Mrs Walker reported that the next AED Defibrillator Training will be held on Thursday January 28<sup>th</sup> in Hambleton, Frieth and Skirmett all in the afternoon.
2. Cllr Nixey has been asked for signs to warn drivers of deer – these are needed from the Luxters junction to Skirmett. This request has been made in the past and refused by BCC as no fatalities had occurred at this point.
3. Cllr Jackson reported that the local landowners have cut the hedges in Watery Lane to the best of their ability but it cannot all be cut and within a year the lane will be difficult even for pedestrians to walk.
4. The Clerk was asked to investigate the Planning Permission Conditions for Crooked Chimney.

Action: Clerk

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Minute 7705

Date of next meeting

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2010 in The Village Hall, Skirmett at 8pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.00 pm

The Chairman invited everyone to stay for mince pies and mulled wine.

Date.....

Signed.....