

**MINUTES OF THE HAMBLEDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 14th September 2009 at 8.00pm in Frieth School**

Present: Cllrs Mr T. Nixey, Cllrs Mr R. Baird, Mr D White,
Mr J. Jackson, Dr M. Elliott, Mrs S. Walker Allies,
Mr A. Armstrong (from 8.45) Mrs S. Henson, Clerk

3 members of the public including the new PCSO

Apologies for absence were accepted from: Cllrs Mrs L. Mann and
Mrs Robinson

- Minute 7661 To confirm and sign the previous Minutes
The Minutes for the 13th July meeting were agreed by Councillors and signed by the Chairman.
- Minute 7662 Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests
Cllr Baird declared a prejudicial interest in the planning applications for Manor House, Rectory Hill and St Bartholomew's Church and the Film Fund.
- Progress on items from the previous minutes
Nothing ongoing to report.
- Minute 7663 Correspondence received from 14th July – 14th September 2009
- Action: October agenda
- Action: November agenda
1. Notification that Frieth won the Morris Cup in the Best Kept Village Competition. Presentation 2.30pm on Saturday 12th Sept. Clerk advised FVS, the Church Warden and Frieth Village Hall Committee and put a piece in the FVS Newsletter. We need to consider purchasing a display cabinet.
 2. Emails from Mr & Mrs Packer, Frieth Natural History Society, Mr & Mrs Dawson, Mr & Mrs Gudge, Mr & Mrs Chanter asking that we replace the diseased whitebeam with one or two indigenous trees on the Village Green - varying opinion on exactly where.
 3. Completion of audit notice from Mazars - no issues raised
 4. WDC Emergency Planning disc
 5. WAP JCC – Minutes for July meeting – passed to Cllr White
 6. BCC – Flu pandemic response planning
 7. Chilterns Conservation Board Planning Conference – previously circulated by email.
 8. The Playing Field Magazine
 9. BCC – Buying in Bucks – purchasing arrangements for Parish & Town Councils
 10. War Memorials Trust Newsletter
 11. Chiltern Woodlands Project Newsletters.
 12. Code of Conduct Booklet (enclosed)
 13. £2700 for the Film Fund for Nanny McPhee – includes a sum for the Church as part of the negotiations.
 14. Notification from Biffaward that we would not qualify for an award for the play area.
 15. Price from Dave Dakin for electrical installation of the defibrillator boxes – total of £750 plus VAT
 16. WDC – Gambling Act 2005 – Policy Statement
 17. Mazars confirmation of passing the external audit
 18. CPRE Fieldwork Magazine
 19. Chilterns Conservation Board Annual Review
 20. Chiltern News magazine
 21. BCC Reminder that delegated budget bids for 2010/2011 have to be submitted by 31st December.
 22. O2 Community Awards – notification that we have been unsuccessful
 23. Email from FVS advising the Parish Council that they will donate £2000 towards the Ellery Rise Playing Field project but asked that we installed equipment in materials in keeping with the area. They would also like one or trees planted on the Common near The Gables entrance.

Minute 7664

Planning Report – Applications and DecisionsApplications

09/ 06571/LBC – Little Parmoor – listed building application to remove internal wall between existing kitchen and dining room- no objection

09/06558/FUL & 06559/LBC – Bagmoor, Hambleden - Householder application for the construction of two storey side extension to main barn conversion, insertion of new dormer window and 2 x roof lights in existing roof slope (alternative scheme to p/p [07/06615/FUL](#) – no objection

09/06517/CTREE – The Manor House, Hambleden – various tree works – no objection

09/06516/CTREE – Rectory Hill, Hambleden - Coppice 20 Sycamore Stools, 1 Field Maple Stool and 5 Cherry Stems. Fell 7 dead stems of unknown species. Remove one stem of two to 1 Ash stem - no objection.

09/06515/CTREE – 1 Yewden Manor – fell 1 Lebanon Cedar tree and 1 holm oak – no objection

09/06476/FUL – 2 Colstrop Cottages - Householder application for construction of single storey rear extension – no objection

09/06474/FUL – Henley Management College - Erection of new Boiler house, 3 oil tanks & alterations to existing extension to create additional boiler house – no objection

09/06424/FUL – 20 Ellery Rise - Householder application for construction of single storey side extension (retrospective) - we have concerns that this building is not in keeping with the house. It has been built right to the boundary line which will make reinstating the fence almost impossible and something which the neighbour has concerns over. Water from the structure is pouring onto the neighbour's drive. The new structure would appear to be a replacement for a previously unapproved structure

09/06365/CTREE – St Bartholomew's Church, Fingest - Crown reduce by up to 15% to tree of unknown species (T1) – no objection

09/06307/FUL – Ferry Cottage, Mill End - Householder application for raising of roof, construction of suspended floor above existing internal floor level, raising of doorways and windows and new floodable steps to single storey element of dwelling- no objection

TP/09/06666/LBC – Ramblers, Skirmett – LBC for part removal of first floor to reveal original windows and create a mezzanine/balcony. New staircase and install WC under stairs. Remove recent bathroom and create kitchen area in its place. Remove present kitchen to make link hallway. Flooring replacement, wood internal windows and secondary glazing – no objection

TP/09/06665/FUL – 7 Ellery Rise – householder application of two storey side and rear extensions, insertion of front and side dormers, front porch, new chimney and garden shed in rear garden (alt scheme pp 08/06024/FUL) – no objection

TP/09/06678/LBC – 78 Rectory Hill – listed building application for internal modifications and insertion of folding sliding doors to rear elevation – on circulation

09/06693/FUL - Swallows Barn, Rockwell End - proposed two storey and single storey rear extensions – on circulation

Decisions

09/05903/FUL & 05904/LBC - 79 Rectory Hill, Hambleden - householder application for construction of single storey rear extension, first floor rear extension and associated external alterations – permitted

JAI/09/05845/FUL – The Quarry, Dairy Lane – change of use of part of agricultural building from game storage to game processing – permitted

SH/09/05920/FUL – Fingest Manor – construction of equestrian manege –permitted.

PM/09/06001/FUL – The Barn, St Katherine's Convent, Parmoor – conversion of existing barn to 2 x bed residential dwelling – permitted.

AHC/09/06125/CTREE – Hambleden Mill Marina – fell 2 cypress Trees – not to make a TPO

SVW/09/06000/LBC - 63 Hambleton – Listed building application for internal works including installation of steel beam support following removal of rotting timber walls, remove existing perished stairs and erect replacement 8 winder stair, infill existing kitchen doorway and create new doorway entrance – permitted.

TPOPTA/09/06141/FUL – Spurgrove Barn, Spurgrove Lane – householder application for construction of extensions and alterations to existing garage to form guest accommodation and store ancillary to main dwelling – permitted

TPOPTA/09/06250/FUL – Glebe Croft, Chequers Lane – front porch – permitted

TPOPTA/09/06268/FUL - The Laurels, Frieth – householder application for construction of a side conservatory – permitted.

TPOPTA/09/06270/FUL - Frieth School – erection of timber pergola with polycarbonate roof to provide covered play area – permitted.

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Minute 7665

To discuss the Ellery Rise Play Area

Action: Cllr White to meet with contractor

We have been refused for an O2 and a Biffa Award. Frieth Village Society has kindly agreed to donate £2000 towards the scheme but have asked that we use materials in keeping with the area. The Committee has met and are looking at ways of raising further funding but everyone is very committed to many other groups and organisations. It was resolved that we would proceed with purchasing play equipment using £5,500 from next year’s precept with a total expenditure of £22,000 (£20,000 for play ground equipment and £2000 for fencing). Cllr White will meet with contractor.

Minute 7666

To discuss the possible replacement of a tree on Frieth Village Green

Action: October agenda

Cllr Baird reported that a different type of sorbus would need to be planted a good distance (10 yards at least) from where the previous one had died. This means that the position could affect resident’s views from their homes where previously no tree had been planted. It was resolved to plant a sorbus aucuparia (rowan) on the right hand side of the drive leading to The Gables near the road, this would also deter parking on this part of the Common.

Minute 7667

To receive the latest information on Broad Band for the Hambleton Valley and the Defibrillator project and to place an order for the electrical installation of the units

Action: All Councillors

Action: Cllrs
Nixey/Walker Allies

Cllr Mrs Walker Allies and the Clerk had a meeting with Central Ambulance Service to set up the 999 system which should be functioning by the 1st October. Clerk has received a quote from one contractor, two other companies showed no interest. The price of £750 plus VAT may have to be modified as the original Skirmett site will have to be changed and we will have to have an extra light. The sign for The Chequers will have to be specially made to meet Brakspear’s requirements. There is a defibrillator awareness session on 10th October at 10am in Skirmett VH and 12 noon at Frieth VH, a leaflet is going out in the Hambleton Valley Magazine and it is on notice boards and it will be in the FVS Newsletter. A press launch is due on Monday 12th October at 10.30am at Skirmett Village Hall. It was resolved to place an order with Dave Dakin for the work to be completed by 1st October. In the Clerk’s absence Cllr Nixey will make contact with Mr Dakin and arrange a meeting with Cllrs Mrs Walker Allies to ensure the work is carried out in time.

Cllr Mrs Walker Allies and other representatives of the Broadband Group are now working with Village Networks who are carrying out a feasibility survey due in by the end of September.

Minute 7668

To approve the accounts for September 2009 – Appendix 2; Signing of cheques and to allocate the Film Fund money received from Nanny McPhee to the Sports & Social Club for the Cricket Pavilion (£1000), the Parish Rooms (£1000) and Hambleden Church (£600)

Current Account Balance as at 1 st July	£ 10306.28
Less July cheques	£ 2606.10
Sub Total	£ 7700.18
Less August s/o	£ 385.82
Balance	£ 7314.36
Investment Account	£ 93.43
Bank of Ireland (as at 31 ^s August)	£ 13231.66
Total	£ 20639.45
Cheques for September signature	
Mrs S. Henson (s/o)	£ 385.82
Mrs S. Henson exp	£ 109.69
Cllr Mrs Walker Allies – travelling expenses	£ 105.06
WDC – Ellery Rise rent	£ 100.00
Mike Henson Presentations web update	£ 57.50
CPRE subs	£ 29.00
Save our Churches Fund	£ 40.00
West Wycombe PC (1/3 cost of ref book + tel)	£ 114.77
Roderick Baird Ltd (felling 2 dead trees, branch	£ 362.25
Mazars – audit fee	£ 327.75
ACL Armstrong – grass cutting	£ 1117.14
Peter Gomme (Frieth Horsepond & hedge)	£ 215.00
Ernest T Sheppard – War Memorial cleaning	£ 479.15
Frieth Village Hall – October 10 th Defibrillator awareness	£ 9.00
Total	£ 3452.13

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

The Film Fund received £2,700 for the Nanny McPhee film. As part of the negotiations, it was agreed that Cllr Baird would negotiate a fee to cover both the Church and other organisations within the village of Hambleden. Panasonic will be filming an advertisement in Hambleden on September 17th.

It was resolved to pay £1000 to each of the Hambleden Parish Rooms and the Hambleden Sports and Social Club for the Cricket Pavilion, and £600 to Hambleden PCC

Action: Clerk to write a piece for the Hambleden Valley Mag

The Parish Council has raised many thousands of pounds over the years through negotiations with Film Companies and all the funds have gone to benefit the community affected by the disruption. We could well lose this extremely valuable source of funds if our communities abuse the 'generosity' of film companies. There are concerns about location managers not identifying themselves to residents.

Minute 7669

To consider paying the Bucks County Council pension to the Clerk
The calculations and costs to the Parish Council were issued prior to the meeting.

Action: Clerk to contact BCC

Cllr Jackson proposed that the Clerk be entered into the scheme based upon the figures presented i.e. 6.5% from the employee and 21.2% from the employer this was seconded by Cllr White and agreed by all Councillors present. It was resolved to enter the Clerk into the scheme as from 1st October 2009.

Minute 7670

Members Questions

1. Cllr White asked if the cut off posts could be replaced. H.F. Nixey & Son had planned to replace them by the middle of October using the posts created from recent repair works.
2. Cllr Baird – parking in Hambleden Village has become extremely difficult.

3. Cllr Dr Elliott asked about the proposed high speed train link. Dist Cllr R. Emmett may know more about the proposed route.

Date of next meeting

Monday 12th October in Skirmett Village Hall at 8pm

The Clerk will be on holiday from 15th September to 1st October.

Date.....

Signed.....