

**MINUTES OF THE HAMBLEDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held
on Monday 13th March 2006 at 8.00pm in The Village Hall, Skirmett**

Present: Cllrs Mr T. Nixey (Chairman), Mr R. Baird, Mrs E. Robinson,
Mrs A. Chanter, Mr D. White, Mr J. Jackson, Miss S. Walker
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk

No members of the public

Apologies for absence were accepted from:
Cllr Mrs O'Leary, Cllr Dr. M. Elliott

- Minute 7248 To Co-opt a new Parish Councillor and sign the Declaration of Acceptance
Councillors had interviewed the three candidates and Mrs Susan Walker was selected. The Declaration of Acceptance was signed and a new Councillors pack was given to Cllr Mrs Walker.
- Minute 7249 Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the February Parish Council Meeting
Those Councillors present confirmed the minutes for the previous Parish Council Meeting and they were signed by the Chairman.
- Minute 7250 Declaration of pecuniary, non-pecuniary, personal or prejudicial interests
Cllr Baird declared an interest in the planning applications for The Red House and Hambleden Mill Marina.
- Minute 7229 Progress on items from the previous minutes
South Ward Councillors decided not to submit an entry to the Chilterns Design Award
- Minute 7238 1.The Hambleden website is up-to-date and uploaded. It is now
Action: All Councillors important that Councillors try to set up their Parish email address.
Minute 7240 10. Frieth will enter the Best Kept Village Competition
Action: Clerk 22. We need to clarify the insurance company's opinion on liability.
Minute 7240 The Clerk reported that Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council and West Wycombe Parish Council would support Hambleden with their proposal to lobby for greater controls over light aircraft and helicopters.
- Minute 7246 The Clerk has reported all the items or sought advice from either Rights of Way or BCC Highways. The cherry tree at Shogmoor is beginning to go over the road and Cllr Nixey will ask Mr Rendell if he would trim it back.
- Action: Cllr Nixey
- The church path at Hambleden Church has been repaired
- Minute 7251 Correspondence received from 13th February – 13th March 2006
1. Letter from Allianz Cornhill stating the current situation re our current claim.
 2. Letter from Allianz Cornhill regarding renewal of policy in April
 3. Copy letter from Mr Packer to Allianz Cornhill
 4. Letter from Southern Electric Contracting stating that important repairs are required to 2 lights in Frieth, 1 in Fingest and 1 in Skirmett
 5. Letter from Land Registry urging all Parish Councils to register their land – the Clerk will check whether Cherries Corner is registered and ask for assistance in registering Pheasants Hill Common.
- Action: Clerk

- Action: Cllr Mrs Walker
6. Letter from a molecatcher offering his services.
 7. BCC letter about an event to publicise 'Trickster' doorstop selling
 8. WDC –Consultation on Community Involvement in Government – responses due by 14th April.
 9. Invitation to Rural Forum – 16th March at 5pm in WDC Council Chamber. Cllr Mrs Walker may attend.
 10. Open Spaces Magazine
 11. BCC Order to make a road closure from 13th March for approx 5 days outside Yewtree Cottage, No 28 Rotten Row
 12. The Chilterns Conservation Board – Vernacular Building Skill days – 10th March, 24th March, 12th May - passed to Cllr Mrs Chanter.
- Action: Clerk
13. The Chilterns Conservation Board – Building Design Guide Supplementary Technical Note – passed to Cllr Mrs Chanter. Clerk will order a second copy
 14. Chiltern News Magazine
 15. email from Rural Housing Trust asking for copies of the responses from the government re Staircasing.
 16. WDALC Minutes and Agenda for meeting on 28th March at WDC in Committee Room 1 at 7.30pm.
 17. BALC Subscription renewal and Aide Memoirs to be issued to all Councillors as well info about the Land Registry.
 18. Southern Electric Contracting – street maintenance charges for 2006/07
 19. CPRE Fieldwork Newsletter
 20. Letter from BCC re comments/complaints about adult social care by service users from Asian Communities
 21. Letter acknowledging our response to the Patient & Public Involvement Forum on the ambulance service.

Minute 7252

Planning ReportApplications

KAR/06/05164/FUL/ and subsequent amended plans – Bussetts, Pheasants Hill – demolition of existing garage and constr of 2 storey extension to east elevation, single storey extension to south elevation & detached garage with store (alt scheme to pp 05/06176/FUL) amended as follows: omitting 2 dormer windows, flat roof elements replaced/removed; footprint of garage reduced; external staircase repositioned internally; hipped roof replaced with pitch roof and gables – original comment -Hambleton Parish Council objects to the dormer windows and the side extension to the garage (amendment to previous plans). We are also concerned about the proximity of the garage to the hedge which is essential screening. We would like a condition to ensure that it is always part of the property and cannot be used for accommodation; we would also like a transport management put in place during the building process. No objection to the amendments, Councillors are pleased that their comments have been taken on board.

PM/06/05237/FUL – The Roost, Chisbridge – const of 2 storey extension to north elevation – no objection

JAI/06/05256/FUI – OS Parcel of land at Huttons Farm – creation Of wildlife pond & landscaping and ground works to field – no objection

PM/06/05282/FUL – 4 Elm Cottages, Skirmett – const of part 2 storey, part single storey side & rear extensions and single storey front extension – no objection bearing in mind the precedent that has been set by extensions at no 1 Elm Cottages as long as it does not detrimentally affect its adjoining pair.

AHC/06/05351/CTREE – Red House, Pheasants Hill – remove 2 silver birch & one prunus – no objection

AHC/06/05374/TPO – Hambleden Mill Marina – remove major deadwood, thin by 10% and reduce by 20% by lifting branch end head back over buildings – no objection

AHC/06/05373/CTREE – Hambleden Mill Marina – fell one ash tree, thin & reduce by 25%, pollard damaged section where appropriate to one ash tree – no objection

AHC/06/05321/TPO – Pheasants, Ferry Lane – reduce height to approx 2m to group of hollies. Reduce one yew. Fell group of sycamore trees. Remove three alders – part of the previous planning permission stated that the site should remain well screened, it therefore seems unnecessary unless replacement trees have been established at least 2 years prior to felling work. We note that some clearing work has already taken place and suggest that TPO's are placed on all trees including hedges.

RH/06/05442/FUL – Springfield Farm, Rotten Row – construction of indoor equestrian centre – on circulation

JRM/05/07890/FUL – The Laurels, Frieth - amended description and Plans –erection of single storey front extension with playroom over and alterations following demolition of existing garage, outbuilding and conservatory – we welcome the deletion of the proposal to lock up the existing front gate and as previously stated have no objection to the proposed single storey extension. However our objection to the demolition of the Victorian Conservatory as stated in our letter of 25.1.06 still stands.

KAR/06/05482/FUL – Twin Peaks, Spurgrove Lane – raising roof and alterations incorporating two storey rear extension to form two storey dwelling glass bridge link to front parking area and rear roof terrace – on circulation

KAR/06/05507/LBC – I Yewden Manor, Skirmett Road – internal alterations to Listed building comprising of removal of partition wall and false ceiling in kitchen/breakfast room – no objection

Decisions

KAR/05/07827/FUL – The Old Museum, Hambleden – dem of existing garages & attached outbuilding & erect of single storey side extension & detached triple garage with room over in connection with the change of use from part residential/part estate office to form 1 x 4 bed detached dwelling – permit

JMB/06/05097/FUL & 05098/LBC – Why Cottage, Henley Road – demolition of existing single storey side extension & constr of two storey side & rear extension and single storey side & rear extension – withdrawn

AC/06/05166/CTREE – Yewden Farm Cottage – remove 2 Lawson cypress trees – not to make a TPO.

RW/06/05154/FUL – Thamesfield Cottage, Ferry Lane – demolition of existing dwelling & outbuildings & erection of one x 3 bed dwelling & garage – withdrawn

Minute 7253

To agree to major lighting repairs

Southern Electric Contracting have carried out the annual inspection and have found asbestos the pole boxes in the lights in Fingest and Frieth, new pole boxes are required – the total cost for this work would be £870.81 plus VAT and the pole bracket on the light at Skirmett bridge requires complete replacement at a cost of £539.85. It was agreed that for safety reasons the work had to be carried out but that the Clerk will try to have the service costs reduced.

Action: Clerk

Minute 7254 To discuss placing signs by the public car parking areas in Frieth
 Action: Clerk It was agreed to order 2 x signs with the words - Public Car Park – to be placed near the beech hedge and within the area in front of the school. The Clerk will contact The National Trust to obtain signs that are appropriate for the village.

Minute 7255 To resolve to approve the accounts for March 2006 and signing of cheques

Current Account Balance as at 1 st February	£ 977.43
Less January cheques & s/o	£ 475.03
Balance	£ 502.40
Investment Account	£ 86.64
Bank of Ireland	£12132.81
Total	£12721.85

Cheques for signature in March

Mrs S. Henson salary s/o	£ 356.85
Mrs S. Henson expenses	£ 90.57
Frieth Village Hall Committee	£ 18.00
West Wycombe Parish Council (50% tel less VAT)	£ 53.41
BALC Best Kept Village Competition	£ 8.00
H. F. Nixey & Son	£ 35.25
Skirmett Village Hall	£ 15.00
TOTAL	£ 577.08

Transfer from Bank of Ireland - £1000

Minute 7256 Members Questions
 Action: April agenda With the change of Councillors, Cllr Mrs Chanter asked if footpaths could be re-allocated.
 Action: Clerk Cllr Mrs Walker reported that the stile at the end of Shogmoor Lane still needs work done to it. Clerk has raised the issue before but will chase.
 Action: Clerk Cllr Mrs Walker asked if anything could be done to improve safety at the junction of the Skirmett Road with Hambleden village (Doctors corner) – BCC has already stated that they will not carry out any engineering work, however we will ask for SLOW painted on road and see if reflector posts could be erected.
 Action: Agenda Cllr Baird reported that Hambleden Village Sports Club is celebrating the Queens Birthday and would like the Parish Council to consider making a contribution
 Action: Agenda Cllr Baird reminded everyone that Public Consultation on Area Speed Review will occur in June and that the Parish Council needs to have an in depth discussion on this prior to our response being made.
 Action: Clerk on all Cllr Mrs Robinson reported that the footpath near Spenithorne (HA39) is being destroyed by horses and is very narrow in places.
 Cllr Mrs Robinson reported that the road section leading to the Stag & Huntsman Car Park needs resurfacing.
 Cllr Mrs Robinson asked if we could ask for the cotoneaster next door to Flints, Pheasants Hill needs cutting back. Clerk will write
 Cllr Nixey showed Councillors a solar powered light sign for school safety – Clerk will contact BCC re legal situation - cars slow down traffic.

Minute 7257 Date of next meeting
 Monday 10th April 2006 at 8pm in The Parish Rooms, Hambleden

Date..... Signed.....

