

**MINUTES OF THE HAMBLEDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 13th November 2006 at 8pm in The Parish Rooms,
Hambleden**

Present: Cllrs Mr T. Nixey, Mr R. Baird, Mrs E. Robinson,
Mr J. Jackson, Mrs J. O'Leary, Mrs A. Chanter, Mr D. White,
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk

PC Dave West, PCSO Alex Beaver

3 members of the public

Apologies for absence were accepted from:
Cllr Mrs S. Walker (Allies)
Dist Cllr R. Emmett

- Minute 7325 Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the October Parish Council Meeting
Those Councillors present confirmed the minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting and they were signed by the Chairman.
- Minute 7326 Declaration of pecuniary, non-pecuniary, personal or prejudicial interests
Cllr Baird declared a pecuniary interest in the item on the agenda relating to Yewden Manor. Cllr White declared a personal interest in the Barlow's planning applications.
- Minute 7306 Progress on items from the previous minutes
The Clerk has sent a chaser letter for a response from Mr Paul Goodman MP. He has however forwarded a copy of a letter sent to the Moor End residents. A copy was given to each Councillor.
- Minute 7307 BCC have completed the work in Frieth. We have asked for turf to be placed on one section of grass bank and some soil to be used to fill some tyre tracks on Cherries Corner.
- Minute 7310 BCC has advised the Clerk that the only gullies and drains which will be cleared in between the normal cleaning of currently twice a year, will be those where homes are at risk.
- Minute 7314 5. Cllr Mrs O'Leary has looked at the Chilterns Buildings Design Guide – Chilterns Roofing Materials - document and there were no comments to add.
16. The Clerk has sent a letter stating our concerns over cutbacks to Cllr Woollard. He has rung the Clerk to acknowledge this and to explain that these are due to reductions in the Government grant. The clerk has been advised between meetings that the School Salting Route has been cut. This was included in the letter and the School has been advised of this and a piece has been put in the FVS Newsletter and the Hambleden Valley Magazine.
- Minute 7316 Ellery Rise – football pitch – the boys will not now use it until the spring when we will return to the issue of nets. A piece has been put in FVS Newsletter re dog waste/bins.
- Minute 3219 A letter was sent to the police and has been forwarded to Insp Dave Evans. After talking to the police officers at the meeting we will write stating our concerns over having an appropriate vehicle for Rural Areas and also forward a list of dates/events where the police could come along and meet local people.
Action: Clerk

- Minute 7322 The owners of the land for the Donate a Gate Scheme have been contacted and wooden gates will be installed in the next few weeks. The other site has been submitted.
Clerk will contact BCC ROW re the stiles opposite Whitfield Cottage and opposite Cllr Nixey's.
- Minute 7324 1. Cllr Emmett has cut back HA18 and he advised the Clerk that work on his farm track is almost complete. There will be some hedgerow planting.
3 & 4. The grips and drains have been dug out in Shogmoor Lane and at Mill End.
7. Letters have been sent to residents, the congregation and the play School at the United Reformed Church re parking on the bend in Pheasants Hill.
- Minute 7327 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM 10th October - 13th November
1. WDC Minutes of the Rural Forum
 2. WDALC Minutes and receipt for subscription
 3. BCC – Getting Closer to Communities – meeting at Adams Park on 27th November, 7 – 9pm
 4. BALC – distance learning sheets circulated.
 5. BCC Minerals & Waste Local Development Framework
 6. The Rural Housing Trust – new contact, Patricia Rowe as Jean Fox has left.
 7. Open Space Magazine
 8. Journal of Trading Standards
 9. Parish Councils and Wildlife – a new legal duty
 10. email from BCC re gullies and jetting – schedules are being worked out, only immediate action is happening where homes are threatened by flooding
 11. Winter Maintenance report circulated.
 12. email from Rights of Way stating they have contacted the landowners re the Donate a Gate scheme
 13. Minutes of the Riverside Parishes meeting and Drought report
 14. Letter from Sup Rob Angell, Thames Valley Police, stating that he has passed on our letter to Insp David Evans who is responsible for policing the rural areas.
 15. Letter with copies for Councillors from Mr Collings to WDC Planning Dept stating his objections to the amended plans for Hatchet Wood Farm.
 16. Invitation to speak at WDC Development Control meeting on the Greenwood Application. No one is able to attend.
 17. The Playing Field magazine.
 18. BCC – Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes Historic Landscape Characterisation Report passed to Cllr Baird.
 19. Chiltern Views – Newsletter from The Chiltern Society.
 20. Local Council Review magazine.
 21. WDC letter requesting – River Thames Riverside Watchers – Clerk has put a piece in the Hambleden Valley Magazine asking for volunteers.
 22. Email from Merelina Tebbot confirming that the Frieth Church Light will be on from the weekend of 28/29 October, and also asking the Parish Council if the Church can resurface the two paths leading to the Church.
 23. Email from Christine Dawson with local feedback on the recent highways work in Frieth.

Action: Clerk

24. Letter from Paul Smith and other residents of Fingest stating their concerns over obstructive fencing alongside footpath IB10 and IB23 – copies circulated to all Councillors at the meeting.
25. Copy of a letter to Mr Shufflebotham of Moor End from Mr Paul Goodman MP. Copies circulated to all Councillors at the meeting.
26. Letter and leaflets about EBucks – a scheme to make sure people are within 10 minutes of a broadband hotspot.
27. Card and drawings from Mrs Crowther concerned at the adverse comments on the Greenwood applications. The properties compared with are out of the row of bungalow.

Minute 7328

Planning ReportApplications

PM/06/07396/FUL & PM/06/07397/LBC – The Flat Roofed House, Innings Road – constr of glazed link ext and single storey rear ext to existing outbuilding – no objection

KAR/06/07444/FUL – Watercoombe, Pheasants Hill - external alts to create new bay with patio doors at ground floor and ext of terraced/patio area - no objection

PECS/06/07432/CTREE – Barlows, Frieth Hill – remove 2 x fraxinus excelsior, 2 x chamaecyparis lawsoniana. Crown reduce by 50% to 1 x robinia. Crown reduce by 20% to 1 x juglans – no objection

KAR/06/07435/FUL – Flints, Pheasants Hill - erect of part single/part two storey rear extension & erection of decking to first floor rear with access stairs to garden and alterations – no objection

RH/06/07498/FUL – Barlows, Frieth Hill – constr of three bay garage and store and driveway alterations – site visit

RH/06/07546/FUL & 06/07547/LBC &– Barlows, Frieth Hill – insertion of one dormer window to side, replace existing gable window and internal alterations to create room in roofspace – site visit.

RH/06/07565/FUL & 06/07566/LBC – Barlows, Frieth Hill – erection of linked garden room to side elevation – site visit.

AC/06/07583/CTREE – 1 Yewden Manor, Mill End - overall reduction of up to 50% to 1 evergreen oak – no objection

PECS/06/07651/CTREE – Tedders, Frieth Hill – reduce crown and thin by 30 -40% to 1 cherry tree. Fell 2 x yew trees. Crown thin and reduce by 20%, crown lift by 1.5 m including cutting back overhanging branches to 1 yew tree – on circulation

JMB/06/07605/FUL & 0760/LBC – Chisbridge Farm – erection of timber framed swimming pool building adjoining the southern end of Dairy Cottage and the construction of single storey extension connecting Chisbridge Farmhouse to the north end of Dairy Cottage and the insertion of two dormers in the roofslope of the South Elevation of the main farmhouse – on circulation

JAI/06/06308/FUL amended plans - Hatchet Wood Farm – amendments to access, curtilage and correction of directions on drawings – the Parish Council continues to object to a permanent access track.

The applications for Henley Management College have been withdrawn

Decisions

JMB/06/07113/FUL & 07114/LBC – 80 Rectory Hill, Hambleton – construction of single storey rear extension – permit and grant consent.

PECS/06/07110/CTREE – The Gables, Frieth Hill – Removal of holly tree – not to make a TPO

RH/06/07142/FUL – The Gables, Frieth Hill – construction of 2 storey rear gable end extension – permit.

RW/06/07136/FUL – The Yew Tree, Frieth – change of use to allow parking of a caravan – refused.

KAR/06/07215/FUL & 07215/LBC – Flat 4 Hambleton Mill – insertion of new double doors in existing window opening. Insertion of window in existing door opening and external landscaping works – permit and grant consent

JMB/06/06887/FUL – Dormer Cottage, Spurgoth – constr of 2 storey side extension – permit

KAR/06/06967/FUL – The Old Museum – erect of 2 storey rear ext and det triple garage with storage over in connection with change of use from part residential/part estate office to form 1 x 4 bed det dwelling (alt to scheme 05/07827/FUL) – permit.

EL/06/07054/FUL & 06/07056/LBC – The Old Crown House, Skirmett – const of chimney to east elevation – permit and grant consent.

SN/06/06702/FUL – Greenlands Farm, Dairy Lane – removal and reorganisation of the existing buildings to provide a total of 10 x B1 units (1472m²) – refused

Minute 7329

To agree on donations from the Hambleton Film Fund

It was resolved to make the following donations:

Thames Valley Air Ambulance -£200

Hambleton Village Hall - £400

Frieth Village Society – Frieth Chiltern Village – reprint - £200

Cllr Baird advised Councillors that a further some is due, when this is available donations will be considered to the Play School and Hambleton Church for Bell Tower

Minute 7330

To receive a verbal report on the Local Area Committee Meeting

Cllr Mrs Chanter had attended the meeting and reported on the reasons behind the reductions on the salting route. BCC will consider salting other roads on request and possibly ask for help from farmers.

A presentation was given on the 'Land parcel' issues – WDC very against this and have created a fund for Compulsory Purchase of some of the land if a solution cannot be found. Lengthy process with vendors. The new idea for Local Area Technicians working as independent units with groups of Parishes was explained. More information on this after a Clerks meeting on December 7th.

Minute 7331

To discuss projects, including requests made by Hambleton PCC for the budget prior to setting the Precept.

The Clerk/RFO had, prior to the meeting, handed out spreadsheets with expenditure to date and projected year end figures as well as suggestions for the budget for next year. We should start the year with a balance of £9000 (this would be entirely for the Church Yard Wall fund) – contribution to a new computer - £700; are we going to pay for highways maintenance; work on the War Memorial - £300, the Kenrick Memorial, work requested by Hambleton PCC, football nets for Ellery Rise, election - £1200, do we still plan to resurface Frieth Playground Car park – no; extra grass cutting in Skirmett. We need to replace the Church Yard Wall Fund money used for the highways work in Frieth.

We need to ask our grass cutting contractors to submit prices for the next 3 years. Not entirely happy with Mr Symes. Will ask D. McLeod to submit a price for both Wards.

Minute 7332 To resolve to approve the accounts for November 2006 and signing of cheques:

The accounts for November were presented and it was resolved to accept them.

Current Account Balance as at 1 st October	£10562.50
Less October cheques	£ 7513.00
Balance	£ 3049.50

Investment Account	£ 87.97
Bank of Ireland	£19509.97
Total	£22647.44

Cheques for signature in November

Mrs S. Henson salary s/o	£ 367.52
Mrs S. Henson expenses	£ 35.18
Peter Gomme – grass cutting at Ellery Rise	£ 100.00
War Memorial Trust	£ 50.00
Post Office – stamps	£ 46.00
Frieth Village Hall Committee	£ 54.00
Total	£ 652.70

R J Symes annual fee £ 2946.91 Bank of Ireland cheque

Minute 7333

Action: Cllr Nixey

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Members Questions

1. Cllr Nixey reported a broken post on Frieth Common – he will repair it from the stock of posts.
2. Cllr Mrs Robinson asked if we could write to Mrs Forbes about her hedge coming through the fence panels.
3. Cllr Mrs Robinson reported a pothole on the Rockwell End Road
4. Cllr Mrs Robinson asked if we could have the verge growth along the wall at Mill End cut back.

Minute 7334

Date of next meeting

Monday 11th December 2006 at 8pm in The Village Hall, Frieth.

Date.....

Signed.....