

**MINUTES OF THE HAMBLEDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 9th June 2008 at 8.00pm in The Parish Rooms,
Hambleden**

Present: Cllrs Mr R. Baird (Vice Chairman), Mr T. Nixey from 9pm,
Mrs E. Robinson, Mrs S. Walker Allies, Mrs L. Mann
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk

0 members of the public

Apologies for absence were accepted from:
Cllr Mr T. Nixey (until 9pm), Mr. D. White, Mr J. Jackson,
Mr A. Armstrong, District Cllr R. Emmett

- Minute 7508 To confirm and sign the previous minutes
The Minutes for the Annual Parish Council meeting, The May Parish Council meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting were agreed and signed by the Vice Chairman.
- Minute 7509 Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests
Cllr Baird declared an interest in the Planning Application for Varnells.
- Minute 7496 Progress on items from previous minutes
4. The Clerk has received assurances from Simmons & Sons that the situation with the gamekeepers driving over the footpaths on Pheasants Hill Common on their quad bikes has been resolved and will not happen again.
- Minute 7510 Correspondence received from 13th May – 9th June 2008
1. BCC Definitive Map
 2. Chiltern Society Subscription - £25
 3. WDC Community Safety partnership Newsletter
 4. Chiltern News magazine
 5. Notification of the Rural Marlow Local Forum – 7pm, 15th July in the Hambleden Room, Henley Management College
 6. WDALC Minutes and agenda– passed to Cllr Nixey.
 7. CPRE newsletter
 8. Email from Mr Paul Goodman MP after receiving the JCC report confirmed his support.
 9. Email from Hambleden Estate stating that Pheasants Hill Common was not in the recent sale and that they have cleared weed from The Brook.
 10. Open Spaces Society Newsletter
 11. BCC/WDC Pathfinder Newsletter no 2
- Action: Cllrs Mrs Walker Allies
- Minute 7511 Planning Report – Applications and Decisions
Applications
AEF/08/6114/FUL & 06115/LBC – Fingest House – re-instatement of chimney stack – no objection
PM/08/06138/FUL & 06139/LBC – The Cottage, Frieth – constr of two storey rear extension with cellar. Re-alignment of side/rear boundary wall – no objection
AEF/08/06157/FUL – The New House, Frieth – installation of 3 rear velux rooflights - no objection
AEF/08/06165/FUL – Faylands, Colstrove Lane – constr of two storey side extension and porch. Rear orangery – no objection.
PM/08/06366/FUL – Hillside, Fingest – construction of single storey rear extension.-
PECS/08/-6332/CTREE – Varnells, Hambleden - application for removal of 1 Lawson cypress, 2 yew trees, 2 sycamore trees, 1 prunus, 1 laburnum. Reduce height by 30% and tidy stem to 1 yew. Crown Reduce by 30% to 1 lime tree.
DAK/08/06333/FUL – Meadow View, Pheasants Hill – erection of detached garage and store with room over.
Decisions
PM/08/05809/FUL & 05810/LBC – Little Parmoor – construction of single storey side extension – permit and grant consent

DAK/08/05909/FUL – Rockwell End House Farm – erection of polytunnels for horticultural use – permit

DAK/08/05914/FUL – Meadow View, Pheasants Hill – construction of a new two storey dwelling to replace existing – permit with many conditions

Minute 7512 To consider the Playfull ideas Grant Application for Play Equipment at Ellery Rise

The Clerk has had a meeting with WDC for advice on completion of the form. This has now been done and circulated to the working party members. Some small modifications were made. The Lottery will not allow us to increase our original bid by more than 10% therefore we will only be able to ask for £33,000 as a grant and not £50,000 as we had hoped. The Parish Council will be contributing £5000.

Action:Clerk The Chairman signed the forms for submission. The Clerk will forward all paperwork this week. Closing date is 30th June.

Minute 7513 To discuss the options for improving the appearance of Common Land in front of the school in Frieth.

The cones parked on the Common have helped the situation regarding parents from the school parking on the grass. However it was felt by Frieth Village Society that a more permanent solution should be sought to improve the appearance of the Common. In his absence Cllr White had sent an email stating that he felt that we should be doing something about the state of the green in front of Green Gables. He felt that a 'permanent' barrier should be placed on the Church side of the track and he felt that the school should contribute to the cost.

Action:Clerk Cllr Mrs Mann had spoken to FVS who would like white posts erected, without chains, two of which would be removable. Mr Nixey will be asked to provide a price for erecting white posts and costs will be obtained for turf reinforcement mesh on the right hand side. The item will be placed on the July Agenda for the issue to be discussed again bearing in mind the previous discussions which took place with local residents in July 2005 where it was agreed that no barriers, posts or bollards would be erected. Councillors would not ask the school to contribute to any of the costs.

Minute 7514 To consider:

1) the purchase of a Speedwatch camera and associated training
Cllr Mrs Walker reported that there were currently 4 volunteers for Skirmett; Cllr Mrs Mann has written a piece for the FVS Newsletter and hopefully more volunteers will come forward. The cost of £2000 was allowed for in our precept for this year. The cost covers training 6 people. It was resolved to purchase the equipment.

Action: Clerk

2) St Johns Ambulance First Aid Courses

Cllr Mrs Walker attended a First Aid Course run by St John's Ambulance who would come out to the village selected and run a course at a cost of £32.90 per person if 12 people attend.

Action: Cllrs Mrs Walker Allies/
Mrs Mann/Clerk The Parish Council agreed in principal to setting up a venue and supporting the cost of the course from the Film Fund. It was agreed to sponsor £20 per person for 12 people and the cost of a hall for a half day. We would look at an October session with copy going into the September Newsletters/Magazines

3) Portable Defibrillators for Rural Villages

St Johns Ambulance does not have a machine and cannot give training. The Arrhythmia Society are willing to come out and giving training. In principal the Parish Council would be prepared to contribute towards the cost of a machine from the Film Fund with the communities raising the remainder of the money. The Marlow Surgery were not aware of the scheme and wanted further information before making any comment. It was agreed that we should sound out more of the public on the scheme.

Minute 7515

To receive the Internal Auditors Report and to sign off the External Auditor's document.

The Internal Auditors report was issued to all Councillors. Everything is completely in order and no issues were raised.

The Chairman went through the statements of governance and Councillors responded accordingly. All answers were in the affirmative.

The Clerk issued a spreadsheet showing the first quarters expenditure.

Minute 7516

To approve the accounts for June 2008; Signing of Cheques

Current Account Balance as at 1 st May	£ 13876.41
Less May cheques & transfer	£ 11626.49
Balance	£ 2249.92

Investment Account	£ 92.02
Bank of Ireland	£21668.53
Total	£24010.47

Cheques for June signature

Mrs S. Henson (s/o)	£ 376.37
Mrs S. Henson exp	£ 81.59
Mr T. Nixey – Chairman's Allowance	£ 100.00
Chiltern Society	£ 25.00
West Wycombe PC – 40% of tel bill	£ 56.40
Miss L. Hewitt – internal auditor honorarium	£ 75.00
Total	£ 714.36

It was resolved to approve the accounts

Hambleton Film Fund

Hambleton Football Club	£500
Hambleton Medical Fund	£500
Rectors Discretionary Fund	£500
Pheasants Hill Pre-School	£200
Lane End Day Centre	£300
Hambleton Tennis Club	£250

This would leave a balance of £2257.53 in the Film Fund.

Minute 7517

Action: Clerk

Members Questions

Cllr Mr Baird reported a blocked gully outside 59/61 Hambleton Village.

Cllr Mrs Robinson reported that the light at Varnells Terrace had been switched off. The Clerk reported that the residents who had originally requested the light had now decided that it was too bright and it is going to be removed by WDC.

Cllr Mrs Robinson asked if work was going to be carried out in Watery Lane. The Clerk reported that BCC had not approved the request by County Cllr Woollard.

Cllr Mrs Robinson stated that Hambleton Church Yard looks very untidy.

Cllr Mrs Mann reported that the grass cuttings left on the grass in Frieth is making the area looking a mess.

Cllr Mrs Mann reported that the drains at Innings Road have still not been cleared.

Cllr Nixey reported that BCC Highways Gang system is working very well and a dangerous hole and drain cover was repaired within 24 hours.

Minute 7518

Date of next meeting

14th July at 8pm in The Village Hall, Skirmett

Date.....

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