

BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th July 2009

PRESENT:

Keith Taylor (Chair)
Daniel Phelps
Will Hawthorne

IN ATTENDANCE:

Martin Macpherson (Clerk)
Cllr David Spender (WCC)
PC Mark Smith
PCSO Warren Carne
Mr Dennis Smith

APOLOGIES:

Ray Stannard
Fenella Jarvis
John Godbold
Dean Upton
Ian Tait
Cllr Brian Collin (WCC)
Cllr Charlotte Bailey (HCC)

854. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th June 2009 were **AGREED** and signed as an accurate record. A further confidential minute concerning the Community Centre (item 848 i) page 625) had previously been circulated and was also signed by **KT**.

855. Reports and Recommendations from Working Parties

a) Police

PCSO WC reported on the monthly crime figures. There had been:

(i) 3 Neighbour Disputes (Civil) St Anne's Close – No police action required

1 Nuisance & Noise Community Centre

3 Rowdy & Inconsiderate Behaviour Sainsburys – parking dispute
Sainsburys car park – loud music
Broad Chalke Down – youths

1 Theft from Vehicle (Number Plate) Juniper Close

(ii) **WC** was in contact with a possible volunteer to be a Neighbourhood watch co-ordinator for Lowden Close.

(iii) There had been a welcome reduction in motor bike noise related incidents since the last police operation eight weeks ago.

b) Open Space

DS reported that:

(i) He would inform WCC that the hedge on Ashbarn Crescent at the end of Roydon Close was very overgrown and required urgent trimming.

c) Planning

MM reported that:

- (i) 1 new application had been received:
Honeysuckle Close Conservatory to rear
- (ii) 1 application had been approved:
Broad Chalke Down Conservatory to rear
- (iii) No applications had been refused.
- (iv) The enforcement notice issued against Sainsburys for the recycling centre (bottle bank) remains open and a new application is awaited.

d) Play Equipment

MM reported that:

- (i) Play Equipment inspections were up to date.

e) Transport

Mr Smith of St Peter's School, Oliver's Battery, gave a presentation on the safety of the 300 pupils on their way to and from school.

- (i) He noted that temporary parking in the pub car park in Stanmore was no longer available and as a result parents were parking on the Ridgeway and walking to school from there. He sought the Parish Council's support for their application to erect railings on Badger Farm Road. In response **KT** noted that Badger Farm Road was not within the Parish boundary and the proposed railings would be the HCC's responsibility. He also stated that the Parish Council were concerned about illegal parking at the top of the Ridgeway. Council **AGREED** that they would speak to **CB** (HCC) about the parking issue and take note of the Highways Dept's response about the railings.

MM reported that:

- (ii) The next meeting of the Winchester Passenger Transport Forum will be held in the Discovery Centre, Winchester on Wednesday 22nd July at 2.00pm.

f) Parish Website

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g) Finance

MM reported that:

- (i) The bank balance remained healthy and expenditure remained within budget.
- (ii) The bank statements and reconciliation for June 2009 were signed by **KT**. The cleared balance on 1 July 2009 was £31,739.34. There were no uncleared cheques.
- (iii) The completed Audit for 2008/09 was posted to District Audit, Plymouth on 9 June.
- (iv) He had instructed the Insurance Company to amend the policy to reflect the purchase of the Clerk's laptop and the disposal of the Dell PC and monitor. This had resulted in a reduction of £10 on the premium for the year. A refund cheque was awaited.
- (v) The Bonus Saver Account had been closed in accordance with the decision at Minute 849 d) page 627 dated 8 June 2009. The balance of £1,279.95 had been transferred to the Capital Deposit Account.

h) Community Project

DP reported that:

- (i) He had distributed copies of his Parish Survey and awaited the return of completed questionnaires.

i) Community Centre Lease Compliance

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i) Whiteshute Ridge

WH reported that:

- (i) He had received complaints about dog fouling in the approaches to the Ridge and a request for a new bin to be sited in Plough Way. **DS** also raised the issue of dog fouling on the grass verge of Ashbarn Crescent between Charfield Close and Ivy Close. **MM** was tasked to investigate costs of siting new bins and emptying them and report to the next meeting.

k) County Council Rep

No report.

l) City Council Reps

DS reported on:

- (i) Honeysuckle Close road sign. The damage had been reported.
- (ii) Rances Way. Contractors would sweep.

- (iii) LDF. The consultation process was now underway.
- (iv) LDF Exhibition. The show in the Community Centre had been well attended.

m). Notice Board Rep

MM reported that:

- (i) He had now confirmed that RCA were prepared to claim for a new notice board on their insurance after last month's Community Centre break-in (Minute 842 m) (i) refers).
- (ii) He had obtained quotes for replacement notice boards (8 or 9 x A4) that were:

Greenbarnes Euro Board	740mm(w) x 920mm(h)	£408.09 + VAT
Notice Board Company	Street Case 10025	£495.00 + VAT
POD Info Display	NB 215-904P	£358.50 + VAT
Grippit	G4P(M)	£410.00 + VAT

Post Mounted boards were all in the order of £200 extra.

Council **AGREED** that if a locksmith could not repair the locks and provide new keys 2 new boards should be purchased from Greenbarnes. One should be claimed for by the RCA on their insurance.

n). Newsletter Rep

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o). WDALC

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856. Correspondence

The following correspondence was discussed:

- a) The Winchester Citizens Advice Bureau AGM will be held on Tuesday 14 July from 7.30 to 8.30pm in United Church, Jewry Street.
- b) The BF & OB RCA AGM and User Group Meeting will be held in the Community Centre on Wednesday 15 July at 8.00pm. **WH** will attend.
- c) HALC had informed Councils that Section 76 of the Local Government Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, will amend sections 15 and 16 of the 1972 Act preventing the Chairman or Vice chairman of a parish council being co-opted councilors and also preventing co-opted councillors forming part of the quorum required to conduct parish council business. HALC and NALC are taking this up with the Government.

857. Payment of Accounts

Cheque	Payee	Details	Amount	VAT
The following payments were approved and signed:				
1427	M D Macpherson	Clerk Salary & Expenses	£ 858.26	-
1428	HM R & C	1 st Quarter PAYE & NIC	£ 255.85	-
1429	SERCO	Play Inspections	£ 355.09	£ 46.32

858. Any other business

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2100.

Signed

Date