

BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January 2010

PRESENT:

Keith Taylor (Chair)
John Godbold
Ian Tait
Daniel Phelps

IN ATTENDANCE:

Martin Macpherson (Clerk)
Cllr David Spender (WCC)
Cllr Brian Collin (WCC)

APOLOGIES:

Ray Stannard
Will Hawthorne
Fenella Jarvis
Dean Upton
Cllr Charlotte Bailey (HCC)

889. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th December 2009 were **AGREED** and signed as an accurate record.

890. Reports and Recommendations from Working Parties

a) Police

MM reported that WPC Emma Port had forwarded a written report for the previous month. There had been only one incident:

- (i) Sainsburys Road Traffic Collision in car park
- (ii) The first Partners and Communities Together (PACT) meeting will take place at St Luke's Church, Battery Hill, Stanmore between 7.30 and 8.30pm on Friday 12 February. **KT** will attend.

BC reported that:

- (iii) The WCC Safe Neighbourhood Forum will take place on 12 January. **KT** asked him to represent that currently Badger Farm's two police priorities are Burglary and Inconsiderate Parking.

b) Open Space

Nothing to Report

c) Planning

MM reported that:

- (i) 1 Retrospective application had been received:
 - Larkhill Rise Single storey side extension
- (ii) No applications had been approved.
- (iii) No applications had been refused.

JG reported that:

- (iv) The Larkhill Rise applicant had been given incorrect advice by WCC about the rules surrounding his submission and he would contact the Planning Department to highlight this error.

d) Play Equipment

MM reported that:

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

e) Transport

NTR

f) Parish Website

NTR

g) Finance

MM reported that:

- (i) The bank statements and reconciliation for December 2009 were signed by **KT**. The cleared balance on 1 January 2010 was £41,264.84. There were two un-presented cheques to the value of £420.00.
- (ii) The Leader of WCC has invited Parish Councils to discuss Cabinet's proposals for the 2010/11 budget. The meeting will be held on Wednesday 27 January at 6pm in the Walton Room, Guildhall.

h) Community Project

DP reported that:

- (i) He had now collated responses to his parish survey and he will present them to the next meeting.

i) Community Centre Lease Compliance

NTR

j) Whiteshute Ridge

MM reported that:

- (i) Bad weather had prevented the fitting of the new dog bin but the work will be completed as soon as SERCO can achieve access to the site.

- (ii) **KT** had received complaints about four uncontrolled dogs causing a nuisance on the Ridge. **JG** will monitor the situation and Council may call in the WCC dog warden if necessary.

k) County Council Rep

CB was unable to attend.

l) City Council Reps

BC reported on:

- (i) Broadband provision in Badger Farm. The update aimed at achieving higher speed access should be completed in late 2012 but he was seeking further advice on how this might be accelerated.

DS reported on:

- (ii) Pitt Manor. The planning application for the development of 200 houses was likely to be submitted next month.
- (iii) Silverhill. WCC's partner for this development had recently called in the Receiver.

m). Notice Board Rep

NTR

n). Newsletter Rep

NTR

o). WDALC

NTR

891. Grit Bins

MM reported that:

- a) During the cold spell since 18 December he had received four requests for additional grit bins:
 - (i) Harrow Down – this had been discussed twice previously (minute 862 page 640 and minute 883 I) (iii) page 660 refer).
 - (ii) Lower part of Lowden Close
 - (iii) Falcon View
 - (iv) Broad Chalke Down

He then reported that:

- b) All the grit in the 11 bins in the Parish had been exhausted by Christmas and despite requests HCC had not refilled them before the second spell of snow and ice in January on the basis that there were higher priority tasks.
- c) Badger Farm Parish Council owns 11 grit bins located as follows:
 - 1. Sainsbury's Approach Road, Badger Farm, Winchester
 - 2. Elder Close, Badger Farm, Winchester - outside No 45
 - 3. Junction of Meadow Way and May Tree Close,
 - 4. Junction of Plough Way and Fallow Field
 - 5. Junction of Plough Way and Lowden Close
 - 6. Junction of Barley Down and Lark Hill Rise
 - 7. Junction of Rooksdown Road and Silverwood Close
 - 8. Junction of Ashbarn Crescent and Swift Close
 - 9. Junction of Ashbarn Crescent and Honey Suckle Close
 - 10. Junction of Ashbarn Crescent and Rances Way
 - 11. Ivy Close

Council discussed the issues and **AGREED** that:

- d) The provision of additional grit bins was expensive (£429 + VAT) and not currently included in the budget.
- e) Financial assistance would be required to locate additional bins. This might be forthcoming from either HCC direct or from HCC Local Councillor grant.
- f) Depending on the level of funding achieved the priority for additional bins was
 - (i) Broad Chalke Down
 - (ii) Harrow Down.
- e) A number of the bins required replacing. A survey would be conducted and priorities established for slow time replacement.

MM will take these issues forward.

892. Donations

MM reported that:

- (i) He had received a request for a donation of £2,526.80 from the Carroll Centre. This would fund two part time youth workers for the Friday evening provision for one year. Council **AGREED** to make a donation of £1,100 and seek an estimate of the proportion of youth members from Badger Farm.
- (ii) At the last meeting Council had **AGREED** that **MM** should seek clarification about the number of young players from Badger Farm involved in the Hampshire County Youth Band Association who had sought a donation towards the cost of new instruments, music and event promotion before making a decision about a

donation (minute 885 (iii) page 661 refers). He had written to them on 22nd December and had now been informed that for the first time for some years there were no Badger Farm children in the band although there were many from Winchester. Council therefore **AGREED** that a donation of £50 was appropriate.

893. Correspondence

There was no correspondence requiring discussion:

894. Payment of Accounts

Cheque	Payee	Details	Amount	VAT
The following payments were approved and signed:				
1446	M D Macpherson	Clerk Salary & Expenses	£ 436.81	-
1447	Carroll Centre	Donation	£ 1,100.00	-
1448	H M R&C	PAYE 3 rd Quarter	£ 364.91	-
1449	Hampshire Youth Band	Donation	£ 50.00	-

895. Any other business

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2040.

Signed

Date