

BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th January 2011

PRESENT:

John Godbold (Chair)
Fenella Jarvis (Vice Chair)
Heather Nicholson
Dean Upton
Nicola Blencowe
Chrissie Sanders

IN ATTENDANCE:

Martin Macpherson (Clerk)
Cllr Charlotte Bailey (HCC)
Cllr Lynda Banister (WCC)
1 Member of the Public

APOLOGIES:

Ian Tait
Will Hawthorne
PCSO Warren Carne

976. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th December 2010 were **AGREED** and signed as an accurate record.

977. Reports and Recommendations from Working Parties

a) Police

PCSO WC had forwarded a report on the monthly crime figures. There had been:

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| (i) | Elder Close | Burglary of DVDs from locked garage |
| | Ivy Close | Dog Bin lid |
| | Rances Way | Theft of stereo equipment from parked car |
| | Whiteshute Ridge & Davis Kickabout | Illegal use of trials bike |

b) Open Space

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c) Planning

MM reported that:

- (i) 1 new application had been received:
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| Barley Down Drive | Demolition of existing garage and conservatory. erection of a two storey extension to the right and single storey rear extension. |
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- (ii) No applications had been approved:
- (iii) No applications had been refused.

d) Play Equipment

MM reported that:

- (i) All play inspections were up to date.
- (ii) He had contracted SERCO to pressure hose the green slime on the safety surfacing on the Davis Kickabout.

e) Transport

KT had forwarded a report covering:

- (i) An update on bus services over the holiday period.
- (ii) Bad weather had sadly forced the cancellation of the first Winchester to Edinburgh direct cross-country train service.
- (iii) A new Winchester transport guide will shortly be delivered to residents. It is also available at ptgenenquiries@hants.gov.uk

f) Parish Website

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g) Finance

MM reported that:

- (i) Expenditure remained within budget.
- (ii) The cleared bank balance on 1 January 2011 was £43,512:01. There were no un-cleared cheques. The bank statements and reconciliation for December 2010 were signed by **JG**.
- (iii) The Precept demand for £27,900 for financial year 2011/12 was forwarded to WCC on 14 December 2010. (Minute 970 Page 727 refers).
- (iv) He had received a request for a donation from Hampshire Air Ambulance. They receive no grant from the Government and are entirely funded by public donations. Council **AGREED** that a grant of £500 would be appropriate.
- (v) He had received a request for a donation from the Hampshire Youth Band Association. Council **AGREED** that a grant this year would not be appropriate.
- (vi) Council **AGREED** a donation to Winchester CAB of £400.
- (vii) Council noted that neither BF & OB RCA or the Carroll Centre had yet sought donations. **MM** will investigate.

h) Parish Proposals and Action Grid

JG reported that:

- (i) He intended to go ahead with plans to site a picnic table on the Ridge in memory of the late Councillor David Spender. He will investigate the options.

i) Community Centre Lease Compliance

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j) Whiteshute Ridge

MM reported that:

- (i) Biodiversity Grant. The claim for £1,202.00 had been forwarded to Jo Thorton (HCC) on 10 January together with the receipted invoice.
- (ii) The results of the tree survey had been received on 15 December. The following 4 trees require felling:

Tree 216	Hawthorn	Dead – requires felling
Tree 267	Hawthorn	Dead – requires felling
Tree 272	Hawthorn	Requires felling
Tree 277	Hawthorn	Dead – requires felling

Additionally the following maintenance work is required:

Tree 188	Field Maple	Crown Lift
Tree 215	Ash	Remove large split limb
Tree 218	Ash	Remove large hanger
Tree 271	Field Maple	Remove dead crown
Tree 285	Ash	Remove dead crown

- (iii) SERCO had quoted £904:96 plus VAT to carry out this work. After discussion with **JG** he had accepted this quote.
- (iv) The dog bin on the path up to the ridge had been vandalised when the top had been ripped off during the snow. This had been reported to the police on 20 December by **JG** and allocated Crime No: 44100531306. The lid has subsequently been recovered and **MM** will now attempt to procure a hinge in order to repair the damage. Procurement of the hinge has been delayed by the untimely death of the WCC Dog Warden.

k) County Council Rep

CB reported on:

- (i) Highways Departments. Meetings between HCC and Parish Councils to identify maintenance issues.
- (ii) Winter Gritting. A sitrep.
- (iii) Village Green Application. The Bushfield application is now third on the list.
- (iv) Barton Farm. HCC Highways have withdrawn their objection.

JG undertook to forward comments on light pollution from the Park & Ride (S).

l) City Council Reps

LB reported on:

- (i) Silverhill Development. Henderson's, an investment and development company, have bought the interest in the Silverhill site and will partner WCC in its development.
- (ii) WCC Budget. Annual budget setting meeting will take place in February.
- (iii) Local Environment. An update on local Open Space issues.

m). Notice Board Rep

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n). Newsletter Rep

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o). WDALC

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978. Grit Bins

MM reported that:

- a) Further to Minute 971 c) Page 727 the third WCC supplied grit bin has now been sited in the Harrow Down parking area at the bottom of the hill.
- b) He had forwarded the locations of the 15 existing grit bins to Parish Councillors on 15 December as requested by the chairman.
- c) HCC intended to supply a second tranche of free grit bins. He had applied to **CB** on 15 December for three additional bins in the following order of priority:
 - (i) Falcon View – close to the underpass.
 - (ii) St Anne's Close – top end

(iii) Kestrel Close

A fourth bin had been added to the list by **CB** in response to a request from a resident in:

(iv) Harvest Close

979. Rubbish Bins

MM reported that:

- a) Following on from the last meeting (Minute 972 Page 727 refers) he had now established costs for 2 X 240 litre rubbish bins on T bars to be sited one on each kickabout. Costs for supplying and fitting will be £177.95 each. . The cost of emptying two additional bins will be £655 a year plus VAT.
- b) **JG** will email proposed locations to **MM** who will arrange a site visit to confirm locations.

980. Correspondence

The following correspondence was discussed:

- a) Election of a District Councillor. The Statement of Persons Nominated and the Notice of Election Agent's Names and Offices notices were passed to **JG** for display on notice boards.
- b) The annual Parish Forum meeting that discusses planning matters will take place at 6.30pm on Monday 7 February in the Walton Room, Winchester Guildhall.
- c) The next HCC Passenger Transport Forum will take place at 10.00am on 16 March in the Ashburton Hall, The Castle. Details have been passed to **KT**.
- d) The independently run bi-monthly magazine Clerks and Councils Direct is offering an annual subscription of £11.00 for Councillors. Council **AGREED** that the Chairman should receive a copy of this useful publication.

981. Payment of Accounts

The following payments were approved and signed:

1491	M D Macpherson	Clerk Salary (Dec)	£ 427.80	-
1492	WCC	Dog Bin Emptying	£ 455.00	-
1493	HM R & C	3 rd Quarter PAYE & NIC	£ 343.59	-
1494	SERCO	Play Inspections	£ 114.28	£ 17.02
1495	Hampshire Air Ambulance	Section 137 Donation	£ 500.00	-
1496	Communicorp	Magazine Subscription	£ 11.00	-
1497	Winchester CAB	Section 137 Donation	£ 400.00	-

982. Any other business

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2055.

Signed

Date