

OLIVERS BATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at St. Marks Church Hall, Olivers Battery Road South, Oliver's Battery on the 7th March 2006. 7-30pm to 9-30pm.

1. PRESENT

Mr Sharman (Chairman); Mr Morris; Mrs Goodwin and Mrs Cope.

County Councillor Charlotte Bailey, City Councillor David Spender and PC Joe Zubaidi (Hampshire Constabulary) were also in attendance for parts of the meeting.

Apologies were received from Mr Makewell, Mr Pyke, Mrs Banister and City Councillor Brian Collin.

2. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th February 2006 were confirmed and signed as correct.

Date and speaker for Annual Parish Meeting.

The Clerk reported that it will not be possible to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on the 25th April 2006 as both St. Marks Church Hall and the proposed guest speaker are not available on such date. In view of this arrangements have been made for the Annual Parish Meeting to be held at St. Marks Church Hall on Monday 8th May 2006 at 7-30pm. The guest speaker will be David Boardman the Environmental Team Manager at Winchester City Council who will give a talk about the new waste collection, recycling and garden waste collection scheme. In view of such change and having regard to local elections at the beginning of May the normal meeting of the Parish Council which would have been on the 2nd May 2006 is cancelled and the May meeting of the Parish Council will now take place on Tuesday 9th May 2006.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PC Joe Zubaidi (Hampshire Constabulary) stated that the only reported incidents in the parish in the last month were damage to a car in South View Road and men calling at homes offering to carry out unsolicited work at inflated prices. Residents should be warned against such offers of work and it was proposed that this matter should be mentioned in the next issue of Community News. It was also suggested that the police should put an article about crime prevention in the Community News.

4. PLANNING

It was noted that as part of their Planning Service Improvement Plan, Winchester City Council are intending to arrange a programme of training for Parish Councils in respect

of matters relating to development control. It is proposed to have seven sessions on specific topics and Parish Councillors are encouraged to attend. When the dates are advised by the City Council, Parish Councillors are to be advised so that they can indicate if they wish to attend.

A Newsletter "Planning Hampshire's Future" issued by Hampshire County Council containing information about the outcome of a public consultation on options for District level housing figures and the resulting advice provided to the Regional Assembly was noted.

The recommendation of the Planning Panel not to make any comments in respect of the following planning applications was confirmed:

2 Olivers Battery Crescent Case No. 06/00242/FUL W Ref: W19912	Remove existing conservatory and replace with single storey side and rear extension
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11 Treble Close Case No. 06/00340/FUL W Ref: W 01923/01	Single storey side extension and replacement pitched roof over garage
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The Chairman stated that it was hoped it would be possible to progress the proposed Village/Neighbourhood Design Statement for the parish during the course of the next month.

5. FINANCE AND AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

The transfer of £500 from the Reserve Bank Account to the Current Account was agreed and the following payment was authorised:

B. A. Quartly	Reimbursement of Clerk's expenses	
	1/3/2005 to 28/2/2006	£350 – 76

A quotation provided by White & Etherington Ltd for the removal of broken concrete posts in the recreation ground boundary fence and replacement with new posts was considered.. It was resolved that this quotation in the sum of £197 – 75 be accepted and that White & Etherington be requested to carry out the work concerned. White & Etherington Ltd are also to be asked to provide a quotation for work needed to remedy the defects in the kissing gate in the fence between the recreation ground and the Conservation Area.

6. 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARISH

Mrs Cope reported that there had been another meeting of the Steering Group to discuss the arrangements for the various events and other activities and that matters were progressing satisfactorily. In addition to the parish fete which is to be held on the 9th

September on the Olivers Battery Open Space/Ancient Monument Site other events/activities are being planned during the summer/autumn such as a Barn Dance, Sponsored Dog Walks, Flower Festival, Beating the Bounds, Photographic Exhibition and various others. Mrs Cope will confirm to the members of the Parish Council the dates for the various events/activities. Assistance with the events/activities is required from local residents and it will be appreciated if anyone willing to help will contact Mr Pyke – telephone 01962-854011 as soon as possible.

7. WINCHESTER SOUTHERN PARK & RIDE

With regard to proposals for the provision of a Park & Ride facility in the vicinity of the lower part of Badger Farm Road/ Bushfield Roundabout the Chairman stated that Hampshire County Council were now arranging to have consultations with Parish Councils and members of the Parish Council have been invited to a meeting at the County Council at 12-30pm on the 5th April. County Councillor Charlotte Bailey indicated what was currently the County Council preferred site for the facility and members thought that at the meeting with the County Council enquiries should be made about the possibility of a bus lane in Badger Farm Road.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

The following were noted:

Letter from Hampshire Constabulary containing information about changes in the structure of policing in the Winchester area.

Letter from Ian Chisholm with regard to some litter on private land to the side and rear of the shops at Olivers Battery Road South.(the litter has subsequently been removed)

Letter from Hampshire County Council with the Annual Report of the Hampshire Countryside Access Forum

Community Action Hampshire Newsletter.

9. REPORTS BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND CITY COUNCILLORS

A written report was presented by County Councillor Charlotte Bailey in respect of County Council matters including the proposed Winchester southern park & ride facility and the county Council budget and council tax for the year 2006/2007. Written reports were also presented by City Councillors Brian Collin and David Spender in respect of City Council matters including the City Council budget and council tax for 2006/2007.