

OLIVERS BATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at St. Marks Church Hall, Olivers Battery Road South, Oliver's Battery on the 9th May 2006. 7-30pm to 10-15pm.

1. PRESENT

Mr Sharman (Chairman); Mrs Goodwin; Mrs Banister and Mr Pyke.

City Councillor David Spender was also in attendance for part of the meeting.

Apologies were received from Mrs Cope, County Councillor Charlotte Bailey and City Councillor Brian Collin.

2. DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

At the election on the 4th May 2006 there had been five nominations for Parish Councillors and accordingly the election had been uncontested and all five were elected. All the Councillors present signed Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Mr Geoff Sharman was elected as Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Chairman.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present wishing to speak or make a statement under this item.

5. VACANCIES FOR PARISH COUNCILLORS

The Clerk stated that as a result of the recent uncontested election there were two vacancies for Parish Councillors. Mr Terry Raymond Morris who has previously served on the Council and who was present at the meeting indicated that he was willing to be a Parish Councillor again and it was unanimously resolved that Mr Morris be co-opted as a member of the Council. Mr Morris signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Chairman mentioned that he had spoken to a local resident who had expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor and it is hoped to fill the outstanding position for a Parish Councillor by co-option very shortly.

6. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th April 2006 were confirmed and signed as correct.

7. APPOINTMENTS

(a) **Vice Chairman** Mr Terry Morris was elected as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

(b) **Planning Representatives** Mrs Norma Goodwin, Mrs Lynda Banister and Mr Terry Morris were appointed as Planning Representatives for the coming year.

(c) **Recreation Ground Representatives** Mr Geoff Sharman and Mr Mark Pyke were appointed as Recreation Ground Representatives for the coming year.

(d) **Footpaths Representative** Mrs Norma Goodwin was appointed as Footpaths Representative for the coming year

A Representative on Badger Farm & Olivers Battery Residents Community Association is to be appointed at a future meeting.

8. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

In connection with the talk at the Annual Parish Meeting about the new waste collection, recycling and garden waste collection scheme a letter is to be sent to the City Council urging them to continue consideration of further opportunities for more items to be recycled.

The possibility of an improvement of the “Olivers Battery” sign near the junction of Olivers Battery Road South and Badger Farm Road was mentioned by a local resident at the Annual Parish Meeting and it was agreed that this be placed on the agenda for a future meeting of the Council.

9. PLANNING

The recommendations of the Planning Panel in respect of the following planning applications were confirmed:

5 Crescent Close Case: 06/01017/FUL W Ref: W20011	Extension to rear, extend garage to front & loft conversion	No comments
59 Old Kennels Lane Case: 06/01268/FUL W Ref: W03896/05	First floor extension, demolition of garage and replace with single garage and study building	Comment as to it being odd to have a shower room in a study

It was decided not to make any objections or comments in respect of the following planning applications:

16 Mount View Road Case: 06/01537/FUL W Ref: W11426/02	Extend dormer on north, new dormers to south and west elevations
80 Old Kennels Lane Case: 06/01124/FUL W Ref: W09312/01	Single storey extension to garage with pitched roof and alterations to existing dormers
1 Sunnydown Road Case:06/01334/FUL W Ref: W15516/01	Porch extension
7 Braeside Close Case: 06/01425/FUL W Ref: W20039	Extension, remove chimney breast and add toilet

It was noted that planning permission has been granted for a single storey side extension at 121 Olivers Battery Road South

A letter from Winchester City Council as to the new system for Parish Councils commenting on planning applications and requesting that they go to the Planning Committee for consideration was noted.

10 FINANCE AND AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

The Clerk reported that the precept of £22,700 for the current financial year has been received and the transfer of £20,000 from the Current Account to the Reserve Account was agreed.

The following payments were authorised:

P. C. Bugg	April recreation ground maintenance	£91 – 50
Southern Water	Half years water charges	£12 – 10
Winchester City Council	Servicing dog bins 1/1/06 to 31/3/2006	£80 – 60
Hampshire Media Ltd	Distribution of agendas for Annual Parish Meeting	£18 – 80
Allianz Cornhill Insurance	Annual Insurance premium	£1159 – 20
B. A. Quartly	Annual Parish Meeting photocopying expenses	£70 – 17

It was agreed that the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2006 (which had been copied to members and produced at the Annual Parish Meeting) be adopted.

11. 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARISH

Mr Pyke gave an update on the current position in respect of the events and activities being planned to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the parish. The arrangements are proceeding satisfactorily, but for various reasons it has been necessary to change the venue for the Barn Dance on the 9th September and this event will now be held at Kings School. It was agreed that if this should be necessary the Parish Council would underwrite any deficit in respect of the Barn Dance. Outside Caterers are to be arranged for the BBQ at the Fete and the possibility of the sale of postcards commemorating the 50th anniversary is to be explored further. Publicity (posters etc) for the events is being arranged.

12. RECREATION GROUND AND CONSERVATION AREA

In connection with the wooden parts of the Tom Thumb Multiplay Unit which become slippery when wet the Company which supplied this equipment have recommended that the parts concerned be cleaned of any moss/algae and restained and arrangements are to be made for this to be done.

Work for a new gate between the recreation ground and the conservation area, alterations to the existing pedestrian gate and repairs to boundary fence posts are expected to be carried out during the course of the next two weeks.

In view of incidents with dogs on the recreation ground it was agreed that quotations be obtained for additional notices indicating that dogs are prohibited from the ground.

The Chairman referred to further consideration being given to the provision of a multi purpose all weather pitch at the recreation ground.

13. WINCHESTER SOUTHERN PARK & RIDE PROPOSALS

The Chairman gave a brief report on a briefing on this matter at Hampshire County Council on the 5th April when the proposed sites were discussed. The County Council are now planning further public consultation with a series of exhibitions which will run from the 5th to the 16th June including an exhibition at Badger Farm Community Centre.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Hampshire County Council inviting the Parish Council to carry out a one day survey of people using public footpaths in the parish. The County Council are to be advised that although the detail from such a survey could be useful it is doubtful whether

the Parish Council would be able to muster sufficient resources to undertake the survey in the manner proposed.

The following were noted:

Notification from Hampshire Constabulary introducing Jim Ingram as the local Community Crime Prevention Officer

Letter from Winchester Citizens Advice Bureau thanking the Parish Council for the grant to assist with their home visiting service.

Leaflet in respect of Winchester & District Community Safety Strategy.

Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service Integrated Risk Management Plan

Notification in respect of Annual General Meeting of Hampshire Association of Parish & Town Councils on the 7th October 2006.