

## **OLIVERS BATTERY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of Parish Council Meeting held at St. Marks Church Hall, Olivers Battery Road South, Oliver's Battery on the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2007. 7-30pm to 9-45pm.

### **1. PRESENT**

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

One member of the public (Mr Rob Williams)

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

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

### **2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

### **3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2007 were confirmed and signed as correct.

#### **Winchester City Council Civic Award Scheme for Volunteers**

The Clerk reported a letter from Sue Sadler (Brownies-Brown Owl) thanking the Parish Council for nominating her for an award under this Scheme.

#### **Portable Flashing Speed Limit Reminder Sign**

Members wondered whether there was any possibility of acquiring a Portable Flashing Speed Limit Reminder Sign and City Councillor David Spender undertook to make some enquiries on behalf of the Parish Council in this respect.

### **4. PLANNING**

The recommendation by the Planning Panel that no comments be made in respect of a planning application (Case No. 07/02422/FUL – W Ref: W20864) for a conservatory at the rear of 3 Priors Way was confirmed.

The following planning decisions were noted:

2 Lake Drive	Detached four bedroom dwelling and detached double garage with annex over.	Permission Granted subject to conditions
155 Olivers Battery Road South	Two storey side extension	Permission Granted

Mr Rob Williams stated that he was in the course of acquiring 82 Old Kennels Lane and he outlined some possible proposed development at this property (subject to all necessary permissions and consents being obtained) as advance information for the Parish Council.

With regard to the proposed Village Design Statement for the parish the Chairman stated that the Consultation Document had now been approved by Winchester City Council and that the necessary statutory notice about the consultation would be published in the Hampshire Chronicle on the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2007 with the consultation period for comments expiring on the 20<sup>th</sup> December 2007. Local Businesses, local Organisations , local Bodies and other interested parties are to be provided with copies of the document and publicity is to be given to the Village Design Statement by way of leaflets and notices. An exhibition about the Village Design Statement is to be held at St. Marks Church Hall on the morning of Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> November.

The following were noted:

Letter from Hampshire County Council with newsletter “Planning Hampshire’s Future”.

Leaflet from South East England Regional Assembly in respect of the report of an independent panel of inspectors on the South East Plan.

Letters from Hampshire County Council with regard to Hampshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework.

## **5. FINANCE AND AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS**

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

Winchester City Council	Servicing Dog Waste Bins 1/7/2007 to 30/9/2007	£80 – 60
Hampshire Association of Local Councils	Fee for annual Clerk’s Conference	£40 – 00
Winchester City Council	Rent of Conservation Area	£50 – 00

The Clerk provided members with a estimated/projected account for the financial year 2007/2008 and a list of estimated unavoidable expenditure for 2008/2009 for consideration. Members were requested to put forward any proposed projects which would require expenditure in the year 2008/2009 and were reminded that it would be necessary to fix the precept for 2008/2009 at the meeting of the Council in January 2008.

## **6. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY/ FOOTPATHS/ BRIDLEWAYS**

In connection with the overgrown area around the parish boundary stone on bridleway 8 adjacent to the Conservation Area, Mrs Goodwin has had a meeting with a representative from the Community Service Section of the Probation Service and it is hoped that they will be able to provide a working party to clear the area concerned in the near future.

With regard to the bridleway being the lower part of Compton Way and which has been surfaced it was noted that vehicles which are prohibited from using the bridleway were still using this section of the bridleway and the safety of pedestrians using the bridleway is a matter of great concern. A meeting is to be arranged with the Rights of Way Officer at Hampshire County Council to ascertain what type of barriers could be erected at each end of the section of bridleway concerned to prevent the use by vehicles.

## **7. RECREATION GROUND**

The Clerk reported that in accordance with the licence which has been granted to Mr & Mrs Tilling the connection to the main water supply pipe servicing the recreation ground has been made and the associated stopcock box and water meter installed.

An offer of a 8ft high horse chestnut tree for the recreation ground was considered, but it was thought that this could not be used at present having regard to the scheme for improvements and additional facilities which is to be prepared. An enquiry is to be made as to whether the tree could be of any use to the Olivers Battery Countryside Group in connection with the Conservation Area.

The Chairman indicated that it was hoped to progress the drawing up of a scheme for improvements and additional facilities at the recreation ground early in 2008.

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

The following were noted:

Notification from Hampshire Association of Parish & Town Councils stating that at the Annual General Meeting of the Association on the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2007 a motion to adopt a

new constitution was passed and that with immediate effect the name of the Association has been changed to Hampshire Association of Local Councils.

Notification from Hampshire Association of Local Councils with regard to a management development programme for Chairman, Councillors and Clerks to larger Local Councils.

Report from Pam Vandersteen (Public Transport Representative) in respect of Winchester Passenger Transport Forum held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2007.

Notice of Annual General Meeting of Hampshire Playing Fields Association on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 2007.

Letter from Winchester Citizens Advice Bureau thanking the Parish Council for making a resolution to make a grant to the Bureau in the financial year 2008/2009

Notice of Community Action Hampshire Annual General Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2007.

## **9. REPORTS BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND CITY COUNCILLORS**

In her written report (copy herewith ) County Councillor Charlotte Bailey referred to the latest position in respect of the future of the Tower Arts Centre and the intention of the County Council Highways Department to prepare a database on which suggested highways schemes (including schemes which could affect the parish) for improvements are entered and prioritised.

In his report City Councillor David Spender mentioned a proposal to reduce the times when free bus passes could be used, the consideration being given for an improvement to the waste collection scheme and the role of Neighbourhood Wardens in the City Council area.

## **10. OTHER PARISH MATTERS**

With regard to the proposed oak Community Notice Board to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the parish it was noted that this had to be returned to the manufacturers to remedy some defects and remained to be erected. The Chairman is to contact Mr Pyke, who is making the arrangements for the Notice Board, with a view to expediting the erection of the Notice Board.

As the first Tuesday in next January is New Years Day it was agreed that the January meeting of the Parish Council should be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008.

PC Traynor (Hampshire Constabulary) gave a brief report on police matters including only one incident in the parish since the last meeting.