

OLIVERS BATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at St. Marks Church Hall, Olivers Battery Road South, Oliver's Battery on the 1st April 2008. 7-30pm to 9-00pm

1. PRESENT

Mr Morris (Vice-Chairman); Mrs Cope and Mr Stride.

City Councillor David Spender and WPC Emma Port and PCSO Warren Carne (Hampshire Constabulary) were also in attendance for parts of the meeting.

Apologies were received from Mr Sharman (Chairman); Mrs Goodwin; Mrs Banister; Mr Pyke and County Councillor Charlotte Bailey.

In the absence of the Chairman the chair was taken by the Vice-Chairman, Mr Morris.

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 THE LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th March 2008 were confirmed and signed as correct.

50th Anniversary of the Parish

It was noted that a written statement showing the final financial position in respect of the celebrations for the 50th anniversary of the parish was still awaited from the Group which organised the celebrations and it was agreed that Mr Pyke be asked to arrange for such statement to be available for the May meeting of the Council.

Ornamental Village Sign

In connection with the competition for the design of the sign it was noted that a number of people have shown an interest and entries are now awaited by the closing date of the 30th April.

4. PLANNING

With regard to the proposed Village Design Statement some comments have been received in respect of the Consultation Document. The comments have been considered and responses to the comments prepared. The comments and responses have been submitted to the Planning Department at Winchester City Council and information is now

awaited from the City Council as to the action to be taken for the formal adoption of the Village Design Statement.

It was decided not to make any comments in respect of a planning application (Case: 08/00515/FUL – W02892/01) in respect of a proposed dormer window to replace a velux window to front elevation and replacement garage at 73 Old Kennels Lane.

The following planning decisions were noted:

108 Olivers Battery Road South	Two storey and single storey rear extension	Permission Granted
36 Old Kennels Lane	Detached garage with games over in rear garden	Permission Granted subject to conditions
41 Compton Way	Replacement 4 bed dwelling following demolition of existing bungalow	Permission Granted subject to conditions

In respect of the planning permission for the detached garage with games room over at 36 Old Kennels Lane, Condition No. 3 refers to a new dwelling and as it is not clear which new dwelling is concerned the Planning Authority is to be asked to clarify what is intended by this condition.

5. FINANCE AND AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

The transfer of £2250 from the Reserve Account to the Current Account was agreed and the following payments were authorised:

Glasdon UK Limited	Bollards for Bridleway 9	£761 – 74
Hampshire Association of Local Councils	Affiliation fee and NALC levy	£295 – 00
Hampshire Association of Local Councils	Subscription for Local Council Review Journal	£13 – 50
P. C. Bugg	March Recreation Ground Maintenance	£181 – 25
Winchester Citizens Advice Bureau	Grant	£250 – 00
Serco Limited	Installation of bollards at Bridleway 9	£399 – 50

The form required for the change of the Standing Order in respect of the Clerk's salary as from the 1st April 2008 was approved and signed.

It was decided not to take any action in respect of a letter from Victim Support Hampshire & Isle of Wight requesting financial aid.

6 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY/ FOOTPATHS/ BRIDLEWAYS

It was reported that the bollards required at each end of a section of bridleway 9 to ensure that the part of the bridleway concerned is not used by vehicles have been received and installed. Having regard to the work carried out on bridleway 9 alterations to some street signs are still needed and Winchester City Council are to be requested to take appropriate action in this respect.

Members were reminded that further statements are required from local residents as to the use of the footpath from the footbridge over Badger Farm Road to Bridleway 8 for the purpose of supporting an application for such footpath to be shown on the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way.

7. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Clerk confirmed that Steve Opacic, Head of Strategic Planning, Winchester City Council had agreed to be the guest speaker at the Annual Parish Meeting on the 6th May 2008. Mr Stride stated that he would make arrangements for the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting to be delivered to all households in the parish.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

In connection with a Notice from Community Action Hampshire in respect of a Parish Plans network meeting to be held on the 28th April it was noted the Mrs Goodwin has indicated that she will attend this meeting.

With regard to a Community Participation booklet/poster issued by Hampshire Association of Local Councillors arrangements were made for this to be distributed amongst Parish Councillors.

9. REPORTS COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND CITY COUNCILLORS

In a written report County Councillor Charlotte Bailey referred to investigation being carried out by the County Council in connection with a claim for footpaths at Bushfield Camp to be added to the Definitive Map of public footpaths. The report also mentioned Hampshire's archives and local studies collections at the Hampshire Record Office, new bands of charges for parking offences and the policy for trade waste for small businesses at household waste recycling centres.

In his report City Councillor David Spender mentioned more fly tipping being experienced at Port Lane, concern about the condition of the footpath from Braeside Close to Treble Close and action being taken to obtain an improvement of the surface of Olivers Battery Road South at the junction with Badger Farm Road. David also referred to the issue of new bus passes for the elderly being slightly delayed, but the City Council hoped to despatch such passes by the 5th April. In respect of charges for car parking in the City centre there will now be just one alteration which is the change at the Tower Street Car Park to a pay and display system. David is due to stand for re-election at City Council elections on the 1st May next and he expressed his pleasure at working with the Parish Council during the past few years.

10. OTHER PARISH MATTERS

WPC Emma Port (Hampshire Constabulary) gave a report about reported minor incidents in the parish during the past month including a shed at the primary school having been broken into and a break in and burglary at the Post Office Stores. She also mentioned leaflets intended to be delivered to households in connection with the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and a meeting about Neighbourhood Watch being arranged for the 3rd May.

Mr Stride referred to a scheme for the improvement of the grounds of the primary school and the desire of the school to have an input from a representative of the Parish Council. Mr Stride will ask the school for further details of the work and specification for the proposed improvements.