

**Minutes of Oliver's Battery Parish Council Meeting held at
St. Marks Church Hall, Oliver's Battery Road South, Oliver's Battery
on the 1st December 2009. 7-30pm to 9-30pm.**

<u>Present</u>	<u>In attendance</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Cllr G Sharman (Chairman)	E Billingham (Clerk)	Cllr N Goodwin
Cllr T Morris (Vice – Chairman)	B Quartly (Retiring Clerk)	Cllr B Collin (WCC)
Cllr H Cope	Cllr C Bailey (HCC)	
Cllr L Bannister	Cllr D Spender (WCC)	
Cllr J Gage	PCSO W Carne	
Cllr S Outlaw	Mr D Maughan (Neighbourhood Watch)	
	Three members of the public	

<u>Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.	
	Apologies were received from Cllr Goodwin. Cllr T Morris – declared personal interest in planning application 09/02107/FUL 59 Old Kennels Lane.	
2	To adjourn for public participation	
	The Chairman invited the members of the public to speak now or at relevant part of the meeting. All members of the public wished to speak at Item 7.	
	.1 To receive Police Report	
	PCSO Warren Carne wanted to update the parish council on the Trading Standards cold calling zone rulings. The criteria had changed and if there were small areas within the parish that were concerned they needed to report it, with evidence, to the PCSO. There was some discussion on how to publicise the new criteria. The PCSO would provide some posters for the notice board and also recommended word of mouth and newsletters as other effective ways to promote the scheme. The first zone was in the process of being set up with the help of Doug Maughan and once this was confirmed then the parish council would publicise it.	Clerk to place in the newsletter and in notice board.
	.2 Presentation to retiring Clerk Bernard Quartly	
	The Chairman welcomed Bernard Quartly to his last meeting and wanted to thank him on behalf of the whole council for all his hard work over the last 17 years. Bernard Quartly was presented with a watercolour picture as a token of thanks for his years of service.	
	Meeting Resumed	
3	To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd November 2009	
	The minutes of the meeting held on the 3 rd November 2009 were confirmed and signed as correct.	
4	Planning Applications and Decisions.	



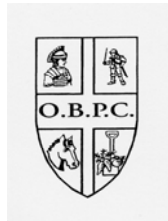
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	.1 To receive planning applications from Winchester City Council and agree response.	
	<p>09/02107/FUL 59 Old Kennels Lane. – Single storey extension with accommodation. RESOLVED: No comment</p> <p>09/02278/LDC 29 South View Park Homes – use of landing for siting of one residential mobile home – RESOLVED: Oliver's Battery Parish Council objects to the above application. The Parish Council would like to draw your attention to the letter from OBPC to the Planning Enforcement Officer in January 2009 stating that a recent occupation had taken place. This was then investigated by the Enforcement Officer, Caroline Sedman.</p> <p>The council had earlier correspondence in 2005 from the owner of the land enquiring about residential use and at this time the land was still being used as storage.</p>	
	.2 To receive planning appeals notification	
	<p>50 Compton Way – the roof would be looked at by WCC. It was reported that the recreation grounds planning permission had been resubmitted.</p>	
	.3 To receive application decisions:	
	<p>W15874/03 Land Adjacent To 7 Mount View Road Oliver's Battery Hampshire - Erection of 1 no. two bedroom dwelling and 2 no. three bedroom dwellings including new access, parking and landscaping (RESUBMISSION) Decision: Application Refused</p> <p>W21575 - 22 Parliament Place Oliver's Battery Winchester Hampshire - Erection of balcony deck to rear Decision: Application Permitted</p>	
5	Finance.	
	.1 To approve orders for payment.	
	<p>i. Cheq 001125: £312.50 E Billingham - Assistant Clerk salary Cheq 001126: 326.26 B Quarterly – office expenses. £</p> <p>ii. To approve the standing order payment for Clerk's salary – Monthly £312.50 less PAYE Agreed to postpone this until tax code none and tax implication to OBPC clear.</p>	Clerk – January agenda
	.2 To consider applications for grants.	
	<p>Applications were received from: Citizens Advice Bureau – RESOLVED to award £200 to CAB in 2010. Hampshire County Youth Band Association – RESOLVED: To deny the application. Cllr Gage declared a personal interest in the following item. Oliver's Battery Preschool – RESOLVED to award £250 to Oliver's Battery</p>	



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	Preschool in 2010.	
	.3 To consider the budget for 2010/11	
	A budget projection had been distributed with the agenda and the councillors were asked to consider it and what other items might need to be considered. An updated budget report would be submitted at the next meeting for approval and precept setting.	GS and Clerk to meet and consider budget proposals
6	Pond	
	.1 To consider the report from Hugh Corry. .2 To consider whether to move this project further and action needed. .3 To consider overall responsibility of this project.	
	<p>Some copies of the report had been circulated. It would be forwarded onto Cllrs Gage and Outlaw. Some background on the report was given by the Chairman. Areas of note from the report were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advice that further tree felling of sycamores take place as they were considered invasive. • Dredging was recommended to remove silt build up. • Work was needed on the retaining wall which could involve reusing felled timber. Silt/soil would be used on the site. • Re-plant with native tree species and that new planting would open up the area and encourage new growth of other species. • Annual maintenance would be needed. <p>The developer indicated that they may be able to offer future funding. Oliver's Battery Countryside Group would be approached to see if they were interested in helping with the project. It was suggested that a meeting with the developer, OBCG and residents was needed to discuss the options.</p> <p>The Chairman asked for comments from the public. Mr D King – Wanted to know if the golf course management had been approached about felling the trees? Most of the trees where within the site so no permission was needed. If any further felling was needed on the golf course the golf club would be approached. There was some concern expressed about the spread and regrowth of sycamore trees. Mr R Pike – Referred to the planning permission and the indication that trees should be retained. There was great concern that the balancing pond still be able to carry out its main function for the area around the pond. Felling trees would affect the wildlife that lives in and around the trees. He supported the dredging of the pond but was concerned about the felling. The Chairman stated that it was clear that a plan was needed and detailed steps of how the work would be completed. Funding was needed and areas of grant funding would be sought. It was emphasised that nothing would take place without a clear plan.</p>	



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	<p>It was agreed that a copy of the report be given to the resident of Old Cottage at Old Kennels Lane.</p> <p>A meeting would be arranged between the residents, developer and OBCG. Councillors were invited to comment.</p> <p>Cllr Gage felt that the purpose of the pond as a balancing pond was paramount. He was concerned that the parishioners do not have access and would not be a benefit to the parish. He suggested that the trees could be thinned out over a period of time and replaced in stages with a clear tree plan.</p> <p>It was agreed that a plan was necessary and ideally the area would be handed over the OBCG with the proviso funding was available from the developer or other body. It was also agreed that none of this would not happen without the agreement of all parties.</p>	<p>GS</p> <p>GS</p>
7	Reports	
	.1 To receive the County Councillor's report.	
	<p>Cllr Spender presented his report which will be attached to the minutes. It was noted that the St Cross road would be closed whilst the railway arch is rebuilt.</p> <p>An update on reserve sites was given. It might be that all four reserved sites might be released but there would be no decision until the spring. An application for Barton Farm had been submitted.</p>	
	.2 To receive the District Councillor's report.	
	<p>Cllr Bailey presented her report which will be attached to the minutes. The councillor requested that any areas of highway that were of concern be reported to her as soon as noted. An area of pine needles on Oliver's Battery Road South was making the road and pavement very slippery.</p> <p>Cllr Bailey invited the council to make application for devolved budget grant. A grant application would be made for two more grit bins.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Clerk would print off applications and send to Cllr Bailey.</p> <p>Cllr Bailey reported that there had been a 50% increase in reported cases of abuse to children's services. It was believed to be due increased awareness and the pressures on young families.</p>	<p>CB to report</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8	Correspondence	
	a) To action	
	Mr Peter Smith had written requesting a solar stand alone light be placed on Priors Way. It was agreed to place on the January agenda.	Clerk
	b) To note	
	NALC – would await questionnaire from HALC.	
	10) Date of next meeting 5th January 2010 7.30 pm	