

**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF LONGPARISH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON 12 SEPTEMBER 2005 AT 19.30**

PRESENT

Mr J Barber	Mr P Harris
Mr R Bourne	
Mrs J Clear	Mrs S Jones
	Mr M Lampard
	Mr R Maloney

Also present Mr P Jarrett (Clerk), Cllr. J Neal (TVBC -part), Cllr M Woodhall (HCC – part), Mrs M Barber, Mrs F Gould, Mr D Gould, Mrs S Kent, Mr S Troughton and young parishioners for the Open Forum (Item 05/111).

05/111 OPEN FORUM

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming parishioners to the Open Forum, and invited comments. The following subjects were raised and discussed:

1. Youth activities – Younger members of the parish asked for consideration to be given to the provision of facilities for young people between the ages of twelve and eighteen. They would welcome the provision of both somewhere to go and something to do. Public transport is very poor into Andover, and is non-existent during the evening.

It was noted that a room had been made available, formerly, for this purpose by an earlier landlord of The Plough. This facility had, however, fallen into disuse due to the cost of heating the room in the winter months; but it was suggested that the present landlord might be approached with a view to re-instating this facility under close adult supervision. The Parish Plan group will take this idea forward.

Mrs Gould reported that the village Community Association proposes to set up a youth group, with the reservation that, again, it can operate only under appropriately qualified adult supervision, and such volunteers would have to be found. Mrs Jones suggested that the Village Hall could be made available for some activities – for example band practice.

Mr Barber asked Cllr Woodhall whether any assistance might be forthcoming from the HCC; Cllr Woodhall replied that County can offer advice, and might be able to provide limited funding. Mrs Gould, however, believed that funding is not a problem.

With regards to activities, Mr Bourne offered to introduce representatives of the youth group to Mr Martin Hulme, the football coach, who, so far, had concentrated on younger members.

ACTION RB

The cricket club, under Mr Martin Clarke, might also be able to assist youngsters in cricketing activities during the summer months. Mr Bourne also suggested that, as indoor cricket is played at Dummer during the winter season, some transport might be arranged for those wishing to participate in this sport. Mr Barber will contact the club to see what might be arranged.

ACTION JB

Mr Barber suggested that a ‘taster’ session in ‘karting’ might be arranged

Mrs Barber drew attention to the Whitchurch youth group, who might be able to offer some ideas and advice. Cllr Woodhall also advised that Barton Stacey has a youth club, which provides training in judo and other similar activities. Mr Bourne will investigate through Barton Stacey Parish Council.

ACTON RB

Mrs Gould advised that a minimum of three qualified adults are recommended for any event, and suggested that the RATS (Roving Activities Team) team might be able to provide suggestions. She agreed to contact the team, and try to arrange a day for the RATS team to visit the village.

ACTION Mrs F Gould

2. Ashburn Rest – Various parishioners had responded to the note in Hill & Valley saying they favoured retention and repair of the Ashburn R. In the light of these views, the Council will look into renovation as appropriate.

3. Stiles - Mrs Kent also asked whether the stiles on the footpath across the grounds of Longparish House could be replaced with kissing gates. Mr Barber replied that this will be investigated as part of an on-going replacement policy.

4. Common Land – Mrs Kent asked what the rights of parishioners and the landowner were in respect of the common land at the Cleaves. The Council will investigate.

ACTION Mr Lampard

Mr Barber thanked the visitors for their contributions to the meeting, and closed the Open Forum at 20.30. The next Open Forum will be held on 10 October 2005.

05/112 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Mt T Cooper, Mr C Dewbury & Mr M Johnson

05/113 **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 11 JULY 2005**

The Minutes were approved unanimously, and were signed by the Chairman.

05/114 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON CURRENT AGENDA**

Refuse Collection – Cllr. Neal reported that TVBC have elected to initiate alternate fortnightly collections of waste and recyclable materials. He had investigated this policy with other Councils, and no problems had been experienced. Mr Barber reported that the TVAPC are now considering more action as a pressure group on TVBC, in matters such as this.

Cllr Neal told the meeting that fortnightly collection is to be trialled in three areas, and the larger bins are to be provided to householders. TVBC Councillors have themselves been trialling fortnightly collections for some time, without difficulty. He provided a photocopy of a booklet with more information which is available on the Internet (NB 4Megabyte file)at http://www.wrap.org.uk/search_clicks.rm?id=1808&destinationtype=2&instanceid=27094

05/115 **TO CONSIDER THE CO-OPTION OF A NEW COUNCILLOR**

The Chairman introduced Mr Philip Harris who was willing to become a member of the Parish Council.

MR BOURNE PROPOSED; MRS CLEAR SECONDED AND IT WAS AGREED UNANIMOUSLY THAT MR PHILIP HARRIS BE CO-OPTED ON TO LONGPARISH PARISH COUNCIL.

The Clerk provided Mr Harris with a *Declaration of Acceptance of the Code of Conduct* form, which Mr Harris signed in the presence of the Clerk, and which was then countersigned by the Clerk. The Chairman welcomed Mr Harris to membership of the Parish Council.

05/116 PLANNING

05/116.1 CURRENT APPLICATIONS

05/00061/FULLN & 05/00062/LBN – Erection of single storey extension to provide kitchen, with internal alterations – Middleton House, Longparish – Middleton and Portway Estate

DECISION: NO OBJECTION

05/00004/FULLN – Reduce height of brick wall on front boundary – Meadow Farm, Cottage, Longparish – Mr R P Dawnay

DECISION: NO OBJECTION

05/00019/FULLN – Demolition of existing on-site buildings and replace with new forecourts, canopies, pumps, underground tanks, shop, parking, landscaping and associated works – Buck Garage, Micheldever Road Longparish – BP Oil(UK) Ltd.

DECISION: NO OBJECTION

TVN.09516 – Erection of two storey side and rear extensions to provide lounge, utility room and lobby area with bedroom and en-suite over – 2 Mayfield Villas, Longparish – Mr G Hayes

Mr Harris and Mr Bourne both declared an interest and left the meeting for this application.

DECISION: NO OBJECTION

TVN.06331/15 – Owls Lodge Appeal to Secretary of State

This application has been refused by TVBC, and an appeal has now been made to the Secretary of State. On a majority vote of 6 for, and 1 against, it was agreed that no further submissions should be made on this application. The previous objections are to stand.

The Plough – opening hours

Noted that the Licensing meeting of 12 September, had granted opening hours of 23.30 Mondays to Thursdays; and 00.00 (Midnight) on Fridays and Saturdays – plus 30 minutes ‘drinking up’ time in each case.

05/116.2 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM INQUORATE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 15 AUGUST 2005

TVN.00253/6 – Erection of single storey side extension – Meadow Sweet, Lower Mill Villas, Longparish – Mr P Jones

TVN.01742/2 & TVN.LB.00201/1 – Erection of single storey rear extension to provide breakfast area together with internal and external alterations – Autumn Cottage, Longparish – Miss Thomlinson -

AS BOTH THE ABOVE APPLICATIONS WERE OUT OF TIME, IT WAS NOT CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE TO DISCUSS THEM.

Mr Bourne then asked for a ruling on actions to take place in the case of an inquorate planning committee meeting. It is accepted that the findings of such a meeting hold no validity, and cannot represent the view of the parish council. Mr Barber will seek advice from HAPTC as to the best way to handle this sort of matter during the holiday period.

ACTION JB

05/116.3 TVBC RESULTS OF EARLIER APPLICATIONS

TVN.LB.00396/4 - Replacement windows etc. River Barn, Longparish - LISTED BUILDING
CONSENT
TRE.CA.00587/115 - Reduction of Willow tree etc. Eastfield Cottages Forton - NO OBJECTION
TVN.LB.00866 - Conversion of roof space etc. The Cottage, Longparish - LISTED BUILDING
CONSENT

05/116.4 Fencing by Highways – ‘Dragons teeth’

Noted that:

- * Wooden dragons teeth are erected by HCC Highways
- * Plastic dragons teeth are a temporary measure only.

These can be erected without planning consent, and form a ‘next to the highway’ barrier. A fence over 1m in height, which is ‘next to the highway’, requires planning consent. But a fence which is to the rear of a set of dragons teeth is not considered to be ‘next to the highway’, and no planning consent is therefore required. Mr Johnson had confirmed that this was the view of the Enforcement department at TVBC. The Council considered this to be absurd and accepted Mr Johnson’s offer to raise the matter in writing with TVBC and Mr Barber’s to raise at TVAPC.

ACTION MJ and JB

05/116.5 Ghost towns in Britain

Consideration of this item is deferred to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

05/117 FINANCE

Monthly Account Summary - The Financial Summary for the last month was reported by the Clerk (Appendix 1).

Bank signatories - Resolved that Mrs Jolliffe should be deleted from, and Mr Harris added to, the list of bank account signatories.

Annual Returns – Noted that the annual returns have been submitted to the external auditor. The internal auditor’s report will be examined in detail at the next meeting of the Finance Committee, who will then report back to the Parish Council.

05/118 OPEN SPACES

1. General

- * Mr Barber reported that the Minutes of the last meeting are available on the Longparish web site.
- * The Skate ramp has now been repainted
- * The new picnic bench has arrived, and will be installed shortly.
- * Mrs Sweet has asked for volunteers to fill holes in the cemetery. Should there not be enough, the job will be added to the spec for improving the paths.
- * Noted that the football field lease does not restrict the use of rabbit fencing

* The playgroup are using the football field and were concerned at the dog mess. The Council had no objection to their putting up 'Dog Fouling' notices. –
* Mr Bourne has discovered a firm which can eradicate rabbit infestation, and will pass a contact name to Mr Barber.

ACTION RB

2. Ashburn Rest

Following written and verbal comments from parishioners before the meeting and in the Open Forum, the Parish Council confirmed their wish to restore and renovate the Ashburn Rest.

Mrs Sweet will investigate the possibilities of grant aid for this purpose following the letter received regarding Local Heritage Initiative.

ACTION CS

05/119 ROADS & BRIDGES

Road Signs – Reported that 30 mph signs on the road leading from the A303 are now invisible again. Noted that these, and the 'Hump backed bridge' signs are the responsibility of HCC Highways; but village, and road name signs are maintained by TVBC. Mr Bourne will raise with his Highways contact

ACTION RB

Proposed pavement between Village Hall car park and the school – Mr Barber reported that the land owner does not wish to proceed. Any further action is now in the hands of HCC Highways.

Upper Mill Bridges – Noted that HCC have advised their intention to replace the three bridges at Upper Mill. The designs proposed appear satisfactory, although the parapet of the brick bridge does appear to be very high, and might restrict the view of the river from the bridge. The Clerk will report this to the Project Manager, Mr Tim Mills, of HCC Bridges.

ACTION: Clerk

05/120 FOOTPATHS

Noted that the **Right of Way finger posts** have been replaced on the footpath to Tracey's Dell.

Response to the **Proposed new footpath from Hurstbourne Priors to Whitchurch** – HCC has acknowledged the content of the letter sent by the Parish Council, which stated its own policy on the extinguishment of footpaths. HCC confirmed that the new footpath, if dedicated as such, would have all the rights attaching to other footpaths. They requested anyone disadvantaged by the extinguishing of the Papermill path to make their views known.

05/121 COMMUNICATIONS

Nothing to report

05/122 PARISH PLAN

Mrs Gould reported that she is working with a graphic designer in order to have the Parish Plan printed without further delay. She said that optimum community use of the new hall is now being investigated, and a policy for its use will be determined prior to its official opening in December. Information-gaining visits are taking place to other similar Community Associations.

05/123 SCHOOL/PLAYGROUP COMMUNITY PROJECT

Noted that the first two classrooms are now in use; but, with the agreement of OFSTED, the Playgroup has been housed temporarily in the Village Hall. They plan to move into the new

premises at half-term. The Grand Opening of the new facility is planned for the weekend of 10/11 December.

05/124 **VILLAGE HALL**

Report deferred to next meeting.

05/125 **CORRESPONDENCE**

A summary of correspondence was presented by the Clerk, and is attached as Appendix 2. Noted particularly that the Mobile Police Station visits Longparish at 18.00 on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

05/126 **DATES OF MEETINGS, EVENTS AND ANY OTHER REPORTS**

Next Open Forum and Parish Council Meeting – **10 October 2005**

05/127 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 22.48

APPENDIX 1

Financial Report

Period from 11-Jul-05 to 12-Sep-05

Income	Previous years		Year to 31 March 06		
	Year to 31/3/04	Year to 31/3/05	Budget	Total so far	Total for period
Precept	15,000	15,000	15,000	7500.00	0.00
Bank Interest	45	0		0.00	0.00
Cemetery fees	417	132	250	295.00	55.00
Handbook sales	0	33	30	0.00	0.00
Grant VDS	1,000	0		0.00	0.00
Grant Village Plan	2,300	0	2,300	2300.00	2300.00
Grant Equipment	1,850	943		595.00	595.00
Donations	980	398		0.00	0.00
Allotment rents received	0	36	36	36.00	36.00
Parish Paths Partnership	0	0		0.00	0.00
VAT refund	1,720	547	974	949.08	949.08
Other	285	0		0.00	0.00
TOTAL	23,597	17,089	18,590	11675.08	3935.08

Expenditure

Clerks Pay/Expenses	1,516	1,720	1,900	419.39	0.00
General Admin	1,738	1,653	2,200	1355.36	151.00
Elections	21	0	0	0.00	0.00
Open spaces	4,902	6,030	7,500	1786.44	943.91
Communications	911	609	980	187.50	93.75
Paths	0	0	300	0.00	0.00
Capital Expenditure	2,531	0	1,000	0.00	0.00
Village Hall	500	500	500	0.00	0.00
Village Design Statement	1,469	0	0	0.00	0.00
Village Plan (production)	1,583	363	4,345	605.50	0.00
Village Plan (implementation)	0	0	3,000	0.00	0.00
Transfer to Village Hall fund	5,000	5,000	0	0.00	0.00
Community project			4,000	0.00	0.00
Other	0	200	700	0.00	0.00
VAT	974	556		139.98	33.67
TOTAL	21,145	16,630	26,425	4494.17	1222.33

Transfer from HCC investment 4,000

Closing Bank Balance	6049	6508	2,673	13689.02
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Invested with HCC

At start	27939	34007	40,634	40634.39	
Add Interest	1067	1628	1,400	0.00	0.00
Transfers from (- to) bank	5000	5000	-4,000	0.00	0.00
At finish	34007	40634	38,034	40634.39	

Cheques Paid in Period

Date	Cheque	Paid to	For	Gross	VAT	Net
11-Jul-05	613	Longparish Estates	Grass Cutting	105.75	15.75	90.00
11-Jul-05	614	Hill & Valley Middleton & Portway	Magazine	93.75		93.75
11-Jul-05	615	Estates	Football field rental	50.00		50.00
11-Jul-05	616	Trim & Strim	Grass Cutting	37.00		37.00
11-Jul-05	617	Southern Electric	Village Hall lighting	8.83	0.42	8.41
11-Jul-05	618	Clive Kent	Grass Cutting	180.00		180.00
11-Jul-05	619	HAPTC	Annual fees	151.00		151.00
10-Aug-05	620	Clive Kent	Grass Cutting	180.00		180.00
10-Aug-05	621	Trim & Strim	Grass Cutting	18.50		18.50
10-Aug-05	622	Paul Knipe	Grass Cutting	117.50	17.50	100.00
10-Aug-05	623	E M Christian	Grass Cutting	280.00		280.00

Appendix 2

Correspondence: 11 July – 10 September 2005

Received

	FROM	SUBJECT
1	HPFA	The Playing Field
2	Community Action	Housing needs survey
3	HCC	Test Valley Transport Forum
4	HAPTC	Local Heritage Initiative (Catherine Sweet – re Ashburn Rest?)
5	Middleton Estate	Football Field Agreement
6	HCC	Reductions to supported bus services
7	HCC	Community Safety Initiative (CSI) Street Lighting
8	Campaign for Sustainable Communities Bill	Campaign information, requesting support
9	SEERA	Update on SE Plan
10	HAPTC	58 th Annual Meeting – 8 th October 2005 at 10.00 in Winchester Guildhall
11	HCC	Consultation on Draft Housebuilding Targets
12	Vitalise	Change of name from ‘The Winged Fellowship Trust’
13	Mayor of Test Valley	AMOS – Civic/Patrons night – 19 October 2005 – Harrow Way School
14	Mrs J Driver	Ashburn Rest
15	TVBC	Tree Preservation Orders
16	HAPTC	Local Council Documents & Records
17	HAPTC	DPM’s awards for sustainable communities 2005
18	HAPTC	Age Discrimination Draft Regulations published
19	HAPTC	Quality Parish Scheme
20	AMOS	‘Godspell’ publicity leaflets
21	HAPTC	Clerks’ Bursary Scheme
22	HCC	Dedication of Footpath – Whitchurch to Hurstblourne Priors
23	HCC	Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service 2006 – Group Nomination
24	HCC	Invitation to South East Plan Consultation
25	GOSE & ODPM	Planning – Waste and Materials - booklet
26	Lloyds TSB	Administrative changes
27	HCC	HCC Civic Service – 18 September 2005 – Winchester Cathedral
28	HCC	Where shall we live? Public Consultation on house building targets
29	CPRE	Fieldwork magazine
30	HAPTC	New Age Discrimination Measures
31	Alexander Design	Longparish School boiler
32	HCC	Information Centres – Network News leaflet
33	Basingstole & Deane Borough Council	Planning Questionnaire – Statement of Community Involvement\z\

Sent

	TO	FROM	SUBJECT
1	Michael White - TVBC	Chairman	Plough Inn opening hours
2	Michael White - TVBC	Clerk	Plough Inn opening hours
3	TVBC Planning	Chairman	Funding application for the Parish Plan
4	Allianz Cornhill	Clerk	Insurance claim on picnic bench
5	Mrs Plummer - Countryside Service Network Development Officer	Clerk	Proposed extinguishment of footpaths 13 & 33