

**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF LONGPARISH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON 13 FEBRUARY 2006 AT 19.30**

PRESENT

Mr J Barber	Mr P Harris
Mr R Bourne	Mr M Johnson
Mrs J Clear	Mrs S Jones
Mr T Cooper	Mr M Lampard

Also present Mr P Jarrett (Clerk) & Mrs C Sweet (Chair - Open Spaces) for item 6

06/16 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mr Cooper, Mr Johnson & Cllr Neal

06/17 COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The Chairman reported the resignation of Mr Maloney, and, on behalf of the Parish Council, thanked him for his contributions during his time of office. The Vacancy will be posted on notice boards in the village; it was noted that one parishioner has expressed interest to the Chairman, and Mr Barber will discuss this with him.

06/18 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 9 JANUARY 2006

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

06/19 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON CURRENT AGENDA

The waste transfer station is operating once again, and Mr Lampard and Mr Bourne have been invited to partake of a guided tour around the facility.

06/20 PLANNING

06/20.1 CURRENT APPLICATIONS

06/00039/FULLN – Erection of replacement detached dwelling – Eastfield House, Forton – Mrs B M A Pullen

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

06/00066/TREEN – Fell 3 Apple, 1 Pear, 1 Flowering Cherry, 1 Victoria Plum, 1 Field Maple – Cherry Tree Cottage, 5 Forton Lane, Forton – Fiona & David Gould

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

06/20.2. TVBC RESULTS OF EARLIER APPLICATIONS

05/00704/FULLN & 05/00706/LBWN - Single storey extension – Forton Farmhouse - **PERMISSION**

05/00928/TREEN – Crab apple tree fell – River Cottage, Forton – **CONSENT**

TVN.06331/15 – Variation of condition 1 – Owls Lodge Farm, Nuns Lane – **Inspector overturned TVBC Decision and ALLOWED**

06/20.3 **REPORT OF WHERWELL PLANNING TRAINING ON 7 FEBRUARY.**

Mr Barber reported that:

- TVBC have improved their planning turn-around time; they are now one of the best performing Councils
- North Test Valley should have lighter density – but the ODPM are to review the area, and this might change.
- ‘Countryside’ is now defined as being ‘further than 10km from any town’.
- Building extension without planning consent is to be limited to *50% by volume*, rather than the present *50% by area*.

Mr Bourne noted that building extensions in the village are being constructed, which do not comply with the terms of the VDS.

06/21 **FINANCE**

Noted that £250 has been received from the Inland Revenue in recognition of the on-line submission of tax returns.

County Supplies – Mr Barber proposed that an account should be opened with County Supplies in order to facilitate bulk buying rates. This proposal was agreed unanimously. **ACTION Clerk**

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

06/22 **OPEN SPACES**

Mrs Sweet reported the following:

Playground and Skate Ramp

The playground bench has not yet been mended. Mr Bourne will chase. **ACTION RB**
Playground signs have been produced, and will be erected shortly.

Cemetery

The cemetery paths have been cleared, and infill is to start on 14 February. The contractor will also attempt to fill the pot-holes in the Village Hall driveway. Mrs Sweet kindly offered to re-paint the gates.

ACTION CS

Clean-up day

Mrs Sweet suggested that this should take place on 3rd weekend in April (22nd April), but will confirm after further investigation.
Mr Bourne suggested a general ‘blitz’ on the roads, rather than work on the river which is already low in water level.

Football Field

Noted that the caravans had been destroyed by fire, and Mr Bourne reported that a crime number had been received from the police. The site now needs clearing, and the debris removed. Mr Lampard kindly agreed to investigate clearance. Mrs Sweet, with Mrs Barber’s assistance, will arrange for erection of safety tapes around the site

ACTION ML, CS, MB

It was reported that the Fire Service had done an excellent job in keeping fire appliance vehicle damage to a minimum, and the pitches are still fully serviceable.

Mole eradication

is continuing on both the Football pitch and in the Playground.

Ashburn Rest

Mrs Sweet has received two additional quotes, one of which was much more expensive; and the other, whilst cheaper, provided for the complete replacement of the bench, which is considered totally unsuitable. It is believed that the TVBC grant has been approved, and as soon as this is confirmed, work can start. The invoice from Mr David Scott, the chosen contractor, will be sent to the Clerk.

06/23 **ROADS & BRIDGES**

Mr Bourne reported that none of the works which he had identified to HCC highways had been recorded by them, so no progress had been made. This omission has now been rectified.

Sunken manholes have also been reported to Southern Water.

Fly tipping has been cleared from two sites in the village.

Under the School Travel Plan, the footpath adjacent to the school field is to be widened. Mrs Clear also reported that it needs to be cleared of mud to be useable.

A footpath from the car park to the school is still under negotiation.

06/24 **FOOTPATHS**

Mr Lampard has met with two representatives of the Footpaths Partnership scheme, and has received positive assurance in respect of kissing gates etc.

There is a possibility that the Youth Opportunities scheme might be able to assist in the levelling of paths in some places.

06/25 **COMMUNICATIONS & VILLAGE PLAN**

Noted that the Village Plan Committee is to meet with the Parish Council Communications Committee.

Noted also that the Community Association has now been formally established. It will need start up funding. The Parish Plan group will bring a proposal to the next meeting.

Mr Harris asked if there is a 'community travel' arrangement. This will be investigated. **ACTION JB**

06/26 **SCHOOL/PLAYGROUP COMMUNITY PROJECT**

There is to be a further Open Weekend next week.

All locks are being changed to a 'master key' system

The puddles in the drive are still extant, and are to be remedied.

Outdoor play equipment for the play group has now been installed.

It is reported that children and teens are gathering in the lit area adjacent to the school, as it is now an un-fenced open area. This is a potential security risk. It was suggested that CCTV with security lights might be considered. Mr Barber will speak to the school governors.

ACTION JB

06/27 **VILLAGE HALL**

Nothing to report

06/28 **CORRESPONDENCE**

A summary of correspondence was presented by the Clerk, and is attached as Appendix 2. Noted in particular that the visiting mobile police station will now visit the village on Friday evenings.

06/29 **DATES OF MEETINGS, EVENTS AND ANY OTHER REPORTS**

Next Parish Council Meeting will be held **in the new school Community Hall** on 13 March 2006

06/30 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.45

APPENDIX 1

Financial Report

Period from 1-Jan-06 to 10-Feb-06

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	15438.00	0.00
Bank Interest	45	0		0.00	0.00
Cemetery fees	417	132	250	338.50	0.00
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	0.00
Grant Equipment	1,850	943		595.00	0.00
Donations	980	398		250.00	250.00
Allotment rents received	0	36	36	36.00	0.00
Parish Paths Partnership	0	0		0.00	0.00
VAT refund	1,720	547	974	949.08	0.00
Other	285	0		0.00	0.00
TOTAL	23,597	17,089	18,590	19906.58	250.00

Expenditure

Clerks Pay/Expenses	1,516	1,720	1,900	1322.69	0.00
General Admin	1,738	1,653	2,200	1750.36	0.00
Elections	21	0	0	0.00	0.00
Open spaces	4,902	6,030	7,500	4561.61	288.40
Communications	911	609	980	2928.99	187.99
Paths	0	0	300	0.00	0.00
Capital Expenditure	2,531	0	1,000	3592.34	0.00
Village Hall	500	500	500	23.97	0.00
Village Design Statement	1,469	0	0	0.00	0.00
Village Plan (production)	1,583	363	4,345	1601.69	71.69
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		1235.63	50.47
TOTAL	21,145	16,630	26,425	17017.28	598.55

Transfer from HCC investment 4,000

Closing Bank Balance	6049	6508	2,673	9397.41
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Invested with HCC

At start	27939	34007	40,634	40634.39	
Add Interest	1067	1628	1,400	894.37	0.00
Transfers from (- to) bank	5000	5000	-4,000	0.00	0.00
At finish	34007	40634	38,034	41528.76	

Cheques drawn in period

Date	No	To	For	Total	VAT	Net
9-Jan-06	659	TVBC	Grass cutting	338.87	50.47	288.40
9-Jan-06	660	Mr & Mrs D Gould	Renewal of hosting s/w	187.99		187.99
9-Jan-06	661	F Gould	Parish Plan expenses	71.69		71.69

APPENDIX 2

Correspondence: 1 January – 10 February 2006

Received

	FROM	SUBJECT
1	HAPTC	C of E Table of Parochial fees
2	HAPTC	NALC and SLCC mutual promotion protocol
3	HAPTC	NALC/AON Clerk & Council of the year awards 2006
4	HAPTC	Basic Charity Law – Local Councils & Trustees
5	HAPTC	Water efficiency & Building regulations
6	HAPTC	Local Council Review – price changes
7	TVBC	TVB Local Plan review – proposed mods 2006 – part 1
8	HCC	Public Transport information
9	Cllr Michael Woodhall	Attendance at Annual Parish Meetings – request for date of APM
10	HAPTC	Risk Assessments course – 27 March - Botley
11	TVBC	Small business rate relief application form
12	HAPTC	VAT on mileage and internet purchases
13	HAPTC	ODPM paper: Standards of Conduct in English local government – the future
13	HCC	Notice of Road works & Hampshire Highways Newsletter
14	HCC	Test Valley Transport Forum
15	TVBC	Local Plan review: public enquiry inspectors report part 2 (is available on www.testvalley.gov.uk)

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(None to report)