

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

PRESENT

Mr J Barber	Mr P Harris
Mr R Bourne	Mr M Johnson
Mr T Cooper	Mr M Lampard
Mr C Duxbury	

Also present Mr P Jarrett (Clerk)
Mrs C Sweet (Chair - Open Spaces) for Minute 06/37
P Cotton – (Planning Applicant) for Minute 06/35.1
Mr C Spencer – (Architect) for Minute 06/35.1
Mrs F Gould (Chair Parish Plan) – for Minute 06/40.2

06/31 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mrs J Clear, Mr C Dewbury & Mrs S Jones

06/32 COUNCILLOR VACANCY AND CO-OPTION

The Chairman welcomed Mr Chris Duxbury to the meeting, and invited him to introduce himself to the members.

Mr Duxbury said that he had been a resident of Longparish for approximately sixteen years, and as he was approaching retirement, he felt that the time was right for him to offer himself for consideration as a member of the Parish Council.

The Chairman thanked him for his short presentation, and:

Mr Barber PROPOSED: Mr Johnson SECONDED, and it was RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY that Mr Duxbury be co-opted as a member of Longparish Parish Council.

The Chairman welcomed him to the Council, and Mr Duxbury completed and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of the Code of Conduct, in the presence of the Clerk, who countersigned that document.

06/33 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 13 February 2006

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

06/34 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON CURRENT AGENDA**

There were no matters arising from the previous agenda.

06/35 **PLANNING**

06/35.1 **CURRENT APPLICATIONS**

06/00712/FULLN & 06/00707/LBWN – Erection of two storey and single storey extensions to provide additional living accommodation and rebuilding of garden wall in new position – Southside Farm, Southside Road, Longparish – Mr & Mrs P Cotton.

As Mr Cotton attended the meeting with his architect Mr Spencer, Mr Barber invited them to introduce the details of the application to members.

In a discussion following the presentation, it was agreed that earlier objections to the application had been fully addressed by the applicant, and it was therefore a

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

06/00703/FULLN – Extend residential cartilage and convert and extend existing stable/store building to provide changing/showering area, w.c., games and sitting room with storage area and galleried landing over – Southside Farm, Southside Road, Longparish – Mr & Mrs Cotton.

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

06/00808/FULLN – Erection of summer house/playroom and retention of resited garden shed/mower house. – River Cottage, Forton Lane, Forton, Andover –

As this application had been received only that day, it was agreed that Mr Johnson and Mr Barber, as a small viewing committee, would inspect the property. Subject to their positive report (subsequently confirmed after a visit on 1 April), it was agreed

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

06/35.2. **TVBC RESULTS OF EARLIER APPLICATIONS**

06/00066/TREEN – Felling various fruit trees – Cherry Tree Cottage, 5, Forton Lane, Forton – **NO OBJECTION**

06/36 **FINANCE**

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

06/37 OPEN SPACES

Mrs Sweet reported the following:

Playground and Skate Ramp

Graffiti has been found on the skate ramp. Graffiti 'wipes' have been purchased to clean the damaged areas. Repairs to the bench are still awaited; hoped to be able to install bench on Clean-Up day (22nd April). **Action Mr Bourne re repairs**

Cemetery

Cemetery paths have been re-laid – an excellent job! Tarmac is to be laid in the hall car park drive, starting 14th March 2006 – cost expected to be under £500.

The Clerk to the Burial Board is requesting that the Council consider a rise in cemetery fees.

Clean-up day

The Clean-Up day on 22nd April will be advertised in Hill & Valley. It will not involve the river this time.

Priorities for the work were considered, and the following items listed:

- Larkwhistle footpath is overgrown; Mr Barber will speak to the landowner requesting his agreement for clearance to be undertaken
ACTION: JB
- Benches are to be cleaned
- Middleway to be litter-picked – four people needed, and signs to be erected.
ACTION RB
- Football field 'caravan scrap' to be cleared if possible. Mrs Sweet will approach TVBC to discover whether they can assist.
ACTION: CS
- Ashburn Rest – The confirmation of the grant has now been received from TVBC, and Mrs Sweet will now proceed.
ACTION CS
- The Post Code for the Common will be given to Mrs Sweet by Mr Barber.
ACTION JB
- The Clerk has been informed by telephone that cats are disappearing from homes in North Acre. This will be investigated.

It was reported that Ms Chrissie Thomlinson wishes to donate a memorial bench. This offer was gratefully accepted, and positioning will be considered.

06/38 **ROADS & BRIDGES**

Mr Bourne reported responsibility for the sinking manholes has been accepted by Southern Water, and they have issued instructions for the 'nodes' to be raised to road surface level.

Some holes in the road surface are considered, possibly, to be frost damage.

HCC have notified the council that Mr Alan High has again raised the matter of a BOAT at Upper Mill. The Parish Council consider that they have nothing further to add to the evidence given originally in 2002.

The Clerk will pass this information on to HCC, and will copy the response to the landowner.

ACTION Clerk

06/39 **FOOTPATHS**

Mr Lampard reported that a fallen tree had been blocking the footpath at Lower Mill. The Clerk will write to the landowner, (Mrs K-M Dineson) thanking her for her prompt action in removing the obstruction.

ACTION Clerk

06/40 **COMMUNICATIONS & VILLAGE PLAN**

06/40.1 New Villagers Welcome event

Noted that the reception for new villagers was very warmly received, with approximately sixty people taking part.

06/40.2 Parish Plan – Longparish Community Association (LCA)

Mrs Gould reported that the new Community Association has been registered with the Charities Commission and will have grant-raising capability. She and the LCA Treasurer, David Wright had written to the Parish Council requesting financial support for 'seed funding'; future funding will also be sought from other bodies. The LCA will be a key to delivering many of the objectives in the parish plan. It was

PROPOSED: Mr Barber: SECONDED by Mr Johnson and RESOLVED, with one vote against, that £2995 be granted to the Longparish Community Association.

Mr Barber proposed that the Parish Council pay a £5 affiliation fee to the Community Association; this was agreed unanimously.

06/40.3 Parish Plan – Transport

The problem of Local Transport was discussed, and it was suggested that an informal group of residents having 'transport capability' might offer 'lifts' which

would be co-ordinated by the Community Association when required for special events. Mrs Gould and Mr Harris (bus rep) will investigate and report. **Action FG & PS**

06/41 SCHOOL/PLAYGROUP COMMUNITY PROJECT

Mr Barber reported that professional advice is that the 'puddle' in the shared driveway cannot easily be drained by a soak-away hole. The preferable approach is for the land to be 'sculpted towards the river, in order to allow rain water to run off.

06/42 VILLAGE HALL

The AGM is to be held in the near future. Date to be advised by Mrs Jones. [Later confirmed at Tuesday 25 April at 8pm in the Village Hall]

ACTION SJ

06/43 CORRESPONDENCE

A summary of correspondence was presented by the Clerk, and is attached as Appendix 2.

06/44 HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY RESULTS

Mr Johnson reported that although the survey form had been distributed to houses in the village like 'junk mail', the response had been reasonable. 303 households had been addressed, and 88 had responded.

81% of respondents favoured affordable housing, and 23 units were proposed. This confirmed the results of two previous surveys. However, on past experience, it is unlikely that a landowner will be prepared to 'gift' land for this purpose, and no further action can be considered until the Development Plan is published by Test Valley Borough Council in April.

Mr Johnson agreed to invite Mr John Lancaster to the next Parish Council meeting, in order to speak in detail, and also possibly to show a film, on this issue.

ACTION MJ

06/45 DATES OF MEETINGS, EVENTS AND ANY OTHER REPORTS

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held in the Music And Drama (Ellicock) room of the new Community Hall on 10 April 2006.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 15th May 2006.

Noted that the minutes of the last TVAPC meeting will be distributed, by e-mail, by Mr Barber.

06/46 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 22.00.

APPENDIX 1

Financial Report Period from 11-Feb-06 to 13-Mar-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	571.50	233.00
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	0.00
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	20139.58	233.00

Expenditure

Clerks Pay/Expenses	1,516	1,720	1,900	1343.07	20.38
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	4601.61	40.00
Communications	911	609	980	2948.98	19.99
Paths	0	0	300	0.00	0.00
Capital Expenditure	2,531	0	1,000	3592.34	0.00
Village Hall	500	500	500	34.01	10.04
Village Design Statement	1,469	0	0	0.00	0.00
Village Plan (production)	1,583	363	4,345	1601.69	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		1250.20	14.57
TOTAL	21,145	16,630	26,425	17122.26	104.98

Transfer from HCC investment 4,000

Closing Bank Balance	6049	6508	2,673	9525.43
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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	CHEQUE NO.	TO	FOR	GROSS	VAT	NET
13-Feb-06	662	Southern Electric	Village Hall lighting	10.54	0.50	10.04
13-Feb-06	663	PH Jarrett	Printer cartridges	23.95	3.57	20.38
13-Feb-06	664	D Gould	Software	23.49	3.50	19.99
13-Feb-06	665	C Sweet	Playground signs	47.00	7.00	40.00

APPENDIX 2

Correspondence: 11 February – 11 March 2006

Received

	FROM	SUBJECT
1	HCC	'Planning Hampshire's Future' – Spring 2006 Edition
2	HCC	Annual Report of Hampshire Countryside Access Forum
3	CPRE	AGM (was held on 9 March)
4	TVBC	Award of Grant for Ashburn Rest (£2355.00)
5	HCC	Claimed BOAT at Upper Mill
6	TVBC	Clean up the Borough campaign
7	Foremost Tree Surgeons Ltd	Advertising leaflet
8	HAPTC	Council's Payment of SLCC Fees for their Clerks – Legal opinion
9	TVBC	'Love Your Village' – Village of the Year Competition 2006
10	TVBC	Approval to co-opt new Councillor
11	Highways Agency	'Route Manager' leaflet

Sent

	TO	FROM	SUBJECT
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(None to report)