

Southwick & Widley Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held in the Montgomery Room, D-day Memorial Hall, Southwick on Monday 10th August, 2009 at 7.30pm

Present:

Mr. J. Cooper (Chairman)
Mrs. S. Grant
Mr. B. Welch
Mr. A. Richards
Mrs. J. Houghton
Mrs J. Nainby-Luxmoore
Mrs D, Beswick
Mrs P. Hayward

Also present:

Wing Commander S McCleary
PC J. Blunden
PC M. Vine

In attendance:-

Eddie Mason – Clerk to the Council.

09.86 Apologies for absence: - Mrs J. Watson, Major Frost and County Councillor F. Allgood

09.87 The Minutes of the previous meeting:-

Proposed Mrs S Grant seconded Mrs J. Nainby-Luxmoore and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th July 2009 should be signed as a true and accurate record.

09.88 Matters Arising:-

- i) Mr Cooper
 - a) Is still pursuing a meeting to discuss the boundary so that ownership can be established.
 - b) Light numbers 6 and 20 are out.
 - c) The last village planning application for Castle Farm, Denmead Road, Southwick Fareham Hampshire PO17 6HJ has been referred to the Planning Committee and Mr Cooper will be attending to express the Parish Council's concerns over the location of the access and its close proximity to the bend.
 - d) The person living in the caravan has left the lay-by and gone to live in the Midlands.

09.89 Public Participation:- Nothing.

09.90 Community Safety: -

- i) PC J Blunden:-
 - a) Reported that there had been twenty-nine incidents for Boarhunt and Southwick for month ending 10th August, which included a fatal road traffic accident, burglary, theft, a rave, and several incidents of public order or anti-social behaviour.
 - b) The Chief Constable has introduced an initiative to stamp out anti-social behaviour which will continue to run throughout the school holidays. This includes either Policemen or PCSO's patrolling every village on foot,
- ii) PC M Vine: -
 - a) PC Vine came to the meeting to introduce himself the Parish Council as a member of the Police Road Safety Unit and said that he would listen and take on board the concerns of the village about road safety. He highlighted however the difficulty the Unit faces having very limited resources with only two vehicles covering a vast area.

09.91 Proposed Parish Website: Nothing to report

09.92 Correspondence:

- i) Winchester City Council – West of Waterlooville Forum Agenda for meeting 30th September 2009. – Mr Cooper presented a report bringing the Council up to date on the progress of the development.
- ii) Hampshire Association of Local Councils – 62nd AGM 10th October 2009 – Mr Cooper to attend.
- iii) Letter from Elizabeth Flegg – dated 2nd August 2009 – This is a matter for the Southwick Estate, Mr Cooper said that he would raise it at the next meeting of the Southwick Association

09.93 Playing field matters:

- i) It was reported that the hedge around the Playing field has still not been cut although Bailey Brothers Ltd had been asked to undertake the work. The Clerk to write to Bailey Brothers asking them to complete the work at the earliest opportunity.
- ii) The Clerk was asked to get a quotation for providing and installing a pedestrian metal and/or wooden gate.

09.94 Street Lighting Matters:

- i) Mrs Houghton reported that light number 5 is burning continuously
- ii) Mr Welch reported that lights numbers 6 and 10 are not working.
- iii) Vegetation from the Southwick Estate growing around street lights numbers 5 and 9 is obscuring the light. This to be reported to Mr C Langford.

09.95 Roads & Highway matters:

- i) Mr Welch asked when the missing road signs are going to be replaced?

Mr Cooper said that they have all been reported.

- ii) Mr Cooper said that he has drafted a letter about having the 30 mph speed limit extended to include Boulter Lane up to Castle Road which will sent to all the residents that will be effected. Mr Cooper said that County Councillor F Allgood has been made aware of his concerns.
- iii) The hedge belonging to the Police House is overgrown and encroaching onto the footpath.
- iv) Mr Cooper put forward a case for removing the 'No Left Turn' sign into Southwick Park, on the High Street and replacing it with a mini roundabout.

This suggestion was fully supported by the Parish Council and Mr Cooper said that he would make strong representations to the County Council.

- v) Mrs Nainby-Luxmoore asked Mr Cooper if he had obtained the costs of clearing fly-tipping from the Village from Winchester City Council.

Mr Cooper said that he would find out for the next meeting.

- vi) Mr Cooper asked the Clerk to contact Winchester City Council and request that they re-cut the verge on the right hand side of Back Lane from Bridge House up to the post box.
- vii) Mr Cooper reported that Newlands Lane is being resurfaced.
- viii) Mr Richards reported that the hedge on Crooked Walk is encroaching onto the footpath and needs cutting back.

Mr Cooper said that this hedge belongs to the Estate and asked the Clerk to report it to Mr C Langford.

09.96 Planning matters:

- i) One planning application has been received.

1) 09/11 – W12690/08 – 09/01268/FUL

Applicant: The Rowans Hospice

Proposal: Erection of an equipment store

Location: The Rowans Purbrook Heath Road Purbrook Waterlooville Hampshire PO7 5RU

Decision: No Comment

09.97 Members business

- i) Mrs Grant said that a section of the Pur River flowing between Purbrook and Southwick has not been cleaned and its flow is being impeding and could be a cause of flooding.

Mr Cooper said that the river is the responsibility of the Environment Agency and asked the Clerk raise it with them.

- ii) Mr Richards reported that the Sewage works at Southwick Park is blocked.

Wing Commander McCleary said that he was aware of the problem and that it was being worked on to get it resolved.

- iii) Mr Cooper:

- a) Said that the proposed footpath to the Naval Cottages is now on the County Council list of work to be done.
 b) Reported that vegetation is encroaching from the verge onto the footpath from the Estate Office to Rose Cottage in West Street.
 c) Mr Cooper asked that the date of the next meeting be changed from Monday 14th September to Tuesday 15th September.

The Parish Council agreed to this request.

09.98 Orders for Payment

- i) It was unanimously agreed that the Council should pay its bills:

Cheque List August 2009

| Transaction | Cheque No | Creditors Name | Payment For | Gross | VAT | Nett |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| 257 | 000941 | Eddie Mason | Clerks Expenses (Postage) | 10.62 | 0.00 | 10.62 |
| 256 | 000941 | Eddie Mason | Clerks Expenses (Mileage) | 8.08 | 0.00 | 8.08 |
| 259 | 000941 | Ryman Stationery (Paid to | Stationery | 99.99 | 13.04 | 86.95 |
| 258 | 000941 | Eddie Mason | Clerks Expenses | 20.00 | 0.00 | 20.00 |
| 255 | 000941 | Eddie Mason | Clerks Salary | 173.27 | 0.00 | 173.27 |
| 260 | 000942 | HM Customs and Inland | clerks Tax | 43.40 | 0.00 | 43.40 |
| 261 | 000943 | D-Day Memorial Hall - Hall | Hire of Room | 180.00 | 0.00 | 180.00 |
| 263 | 000944 | Cannon Horticulture | Grounds Maintenance | 189.75 | 24.75 | 165.00 |
| 262 | 000944 | Cannon Horticulture | Grounds Maintenance | 293.25 | 38.25 | 255.00 |
| 264 | 000945 | Mr Dillon (Litter Picker) | Litter Collection | 114.30 | 0.00 | 114.30 |
| 265 | 000946 | Portsdown Filling Station | Mower Maintenance/Repair | 18.66 | 2.43 | 16.23 |
| Totals Paid | | | | 1151.33 | 78.48 | 1072.85 |

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of the next meetings: 15th September 2009