

## Southwick & Widley Parish Council

### Minutes of Parish Council meeting held in the Eisenhower Room, D-day Memorial Hall, Southwick on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 at 7.30pm

#### Present:

Mr J. Watson (Chairman)  
Mr B. Welch  
Mr J. Cooper  
Mr A. Richards  
Mrs J. Houghton  
Mrs S. Grant  
Mrs E. Verity

#### Also present:

Reverend B Clarke – Southwick Park Chaplain

#### In attendance:-

Eddie Mason – Clerk to the Council.

**11.029 Apologies for absence:** - Mrs D Beswick, Mrs P Hayward, Lieutenant Colonel Winchcombe and Reverend B Green

#### 11.030 The Minutes of the previous meeting: -

Proposed Mr A Richards seconded Mr B Welch and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2011 and the Public Meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> February 2011 should be signed as a true and accurate record.

#### 11.031 Matters Arising: -

- i) Mr Watson reported:
  - a) That he had spoken to Mr Langford about his kind offer to replace the sycamore trees outside the front of the D-Day Memorial Hall with Sorbus Aucuparia and install between them the Parish Council's new notice board.
  - b) Reported that Mr Welch, Mr Richards and himself had arranged to meet with representatives of Denmead Parish Council to discuss the setting up of an independent Newlands Parish Council.
- ii) Mr Cooper reported:
  - a) That he had not heard from Winchester City Council with regard to the ownership of Widley Cemetery.
  - b) With regard to the Localism Bill he has produced a simplified guide which he will be forwarding to all Councillors.

#### 11.032 Public Participation:

- i) Reverend B Clarke:
  - a) That a new Deputy Commandant has been appointed and has recently taken up his post.
  - b) There is a meeting arranged for tomorrow, of the Armed Forces Day Sub-committee.
  - c) Reverend Clarke asked the Parish Council to draw to the attention of all dog owners that they must clear up after their pets when walking on Southwick Park Golf Club.
  - d) At its last meeting the Parish Council had informed Southwick Park that several of its lamps were not working. The Reverend Bernard Clarke was now able to report that all the lamps had been repaired although the time switches on some of the lamps may need to be reset.
- ii) Mr Richards said that the field to the South of Southwick House is an awful disgrace with neglected livestock being left to starve.

Reverend Clarke said that he would look into this.

- iii) Mrs Houghton said that the path from the Police House has grass encroaching onto it and that it needs to be cut back.

Reverend Clarke said that he would look into this and report back to the next meeting.

- iv) Mr Watson reported that rubbish including discarded sanitary ware had been thrown over the Dryad Wall.

Reverend Clarke said that he would report this back at the camp.

#### **11.033 Community Safety: -**

- i) Mr Cooper said that with regard to community safety that there had been a purge on fly-tipping which had resulted in one prosecution; although this had led to a disappointing fine of only £100.00.

Councillor Watson said that he would write to the Leader of Winchester City Council requesting that he complains to the Chair of the Justices about the leniency of the fine.

Councillor Cooper said that it is the intention of Winchester City Council to deploy surveillance over the Easter Holiday period to keep up the pressure on fly-tippers.

- ii) Councillor Watson said that locally there had been a spate of oil thefts and that the Police had now provided stickers to put onto domestic oil tanks saying that the oil contained within the tank had been treated with an identification colouring.

#### **11.034 Proposed Parish Website:** Nothing to report.

#### **11.035 Correspondence:**

- i) Councillor Watson said that he had replied to the questionnaire from Open Space Funding.
- ii) A discussion took place about the letter from English Heritage seeking a partnership with the Parish Council or Community Groups to look after the Southwick Priory.

Mr Richards said that he would contact English Heritage to obtain more specific details and report back to the next Parish Council Meeting.

#### **11.036 Playing field matters:**

- i) At the last meeting Mr Welch said that dogs should be kept on leads whilst on the Playing Field. Mr Watson said that he would investigate and report back with a quotation for the cost of a sign.
- ii) Mr Watson said that the public meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> March to discuss the future of the Children's Playing Field had had a disappointing attendance; but those who had attended had agreed to form a working party with delegated responsibility to look at options for the playing field and play area and prepare a plan for its future including how any proposals would be financed. The only constraint on the working party's terms of reference was that the proposals could not include the football pitch.

Once the working party has completed its report, it will be put before another Public meeting where the members of the public will be asked to give a mandate to the Council to undertake the proposals and finance the projects.

He reported that tomorrow was the first informal meeting of the working parking.

#### **11.037 Street Lighting Matters:.** Nothing to report

#### **11.038 Roads & Highway matters:**

- i) Mr Watson is arranging for the grit bins to be re-sited into their correct positions.
- ii) Mrs Grant said that Widley Walk had not been allocated a grit bin. Mr Watson said that he would re site one of the existing bins to Widley Walk.

**11.039 Planning Matters:** the following planning applications were submitted for the Parish Council's consideration:

i) Planning applications received 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011

Ref No: W06365/10 – Case No: 11/00233/FUL

Applicant:

Proposal: Alterations to unit comprising partial demolition, sub-division, erection of mezzanine floor space, a new building frontage and other external changes to the building; provision of new pedestrian walkways along with car and cycle parking (Application site is part in Havant Borough Council area (case no. APP/10/00585))

Location: Unit 1 Hambledon Road Denmead Hampshire

Council's Recommendation: No Comment

ii) Planning applications received 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011

Ref No: W22027/14 – Case No: 11/00465/HCS

Applicant: Demolition And Salvage Ltd

Proposal: Importation and storage of concrete water to blend with on site demolition material to produce secondary aggregate for a period of two year (THIS APPLICATION WILL BE DETERMINED BY HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL)

Location: DSTL Portsdown West Portsdown Hill Road South Boarhunt Fareham Hampshire PO17 6AD

Council's Recommendations: No Comment

**11.040 Members business:**

i) Mr Watson:

- a) Said he had had a request from the proprietor of the Golden Lion to have the street lamp outside the public house repaired. However after investigation Mr Watson had found that the lamp belonged to the Southwick Estate and as such was not the responsibility of the Parish Council.
- b) Had purchased a projector for the purpose of giving a presentation to the Public Meeting and asked that the Parish Council gives consideration to its purchase as Council equipment to be used for presentations at the Council Meetings.

Proposed Mrs Grant seconded Mr Cooper that the projector should be purchased and included into the Council inventory of equipment.

- c) Proposed Mr Watson, seconded Mr Cooper and unanimously agreed that the Parish Council will support the Armed Forces Day Festivities.
- d) Said that Mrs Beswick had received a complaint that someone in the village is allowing their dog to mess on the pavement.

Mr Watson said that he would arrange for the dog warden to make random visits to see if they can catch the perpetrator.

ii) Mrs Verity:

- a) Said that RAF School of Admin could not provide volunteers to clear the village's hedge ways, but she would contact other sections at Southwick Park to see if they could provide volunteers.
- b) Said that it is not clear for dog walkers as to where they should keep their dogs on a lead whilst being exercised. She said that she would produce definitive notices showing where dogs should be kept on leads and where they can be let off their leads. When she has produced the notices they will be put up on the notice boards.

iii) Mr Cooper:

- a) Gave details of the budget arrangements for Winchester City Council.
- b) All claimable grants are back in place and can now be claimed for and that community grants now includes shops.
- c) Asked everyone to be diligent and report any anti-social activity taking place on Portsdown Hill.

- d) He is talking to Southwick Estate about setting up an Internet Café in the Post Office with equipment supplied by IBM.

Mr Watson said that when ready he had a volunteer that would set up the hardware free of charge.

- iv) Mr Welch asked if there had been any development with ordering the Parish Notice Boards.

Mr Watson confirmed that these are now on order.

- v) Mr Richards said that he was now garaging the Parish Mower.

#### 11.041 Orders for Payment:

- i) Proposed Mr Richards, seconded Mrs Hayward and unanimously agreed that the Council should pay its bills:

Cheque List March 2011

Transaction	Cheque No	Creditors Name	Payment For	Gross	VAT	Nett
449	001048	Uniblue (Paid to Clerk)	Administration	37.86	6.04	31.82
448	001048	iYogi (Paid to Clerk)	Administration	29.99	0.00	29.99
447	001048	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Postage)	15.92	0.00	15.92
446	001048	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Postage)	6.96	0.00	6.96
445	001048	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses	20.00	0.00	20.00
444	001048	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Mileage)	12.12	0.00	12.12
443	001048	Eddie Mason	Clerks Salary	193.93	0.00	193.93
450	001049	HM Customs and Inland	clerks Tax	48.40	0.00	48.40
452	001050	Southern Electric Contracting	Street Lighting	154.18	25.70	128.48
451	001050	Southern Electric Contracting	Street Lighting	195.61	29.13	166.48
453	001051	Mr Dillon (Litter Picker)	Litter Collection	118.60	0.00	118.60
<b>Totals Paid</b>				<i>833.57</i>	<i>60.87</i>	<i>772.70</i>

The meeting closed at 8.47pm

#### Date of the next meetings:

Annual Parish Assembly 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011  
Full Council 12<sup>th</sup> April 2011