

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held in The Library Room, Wendover
2 July 2007 starting at 7.45pm and concluding at 9.17 pm

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr Dr King,
Cllrs Mrs McKechnie, Mrs Ballantine, Mrs Gregory, Kirton, Wilkinson, Bowles and Worth
4 members of the public
Clerk: Fiona Lippmann

08/64 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None were received.

08/65 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Mrs Gregory declared a prejudicial interest to item no. 9, Manor Waste.

08/66 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow members of the public to speak.

a. Mrs R. Green outlined her request to purchase a strip of land adjoining her property at 24 High Street, Wendover.

b. Mr J. Stevens presented himself to be considered for co-option to the Parish Council.

c. Sgt. P. Dowling outlined Thames Valley Police's policy on providing PCSO's for the villages and extra funding.

The Chairman then reconvened the meeting.

08/67 **CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS**

The councillors considered the application made by Mr Joel Stevens and had a hidden vote on whether to accept him onto the Council. The Clerk counted the ballot papers and reported an outright majority in favour of Mr Stevens' acceptance onto the Council.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Stevens to the Council and asked Mr Stevens to take his place at the Council table.

08/68 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Mrs Clayton sent her apologies to the meeting. She sent no report.

08/69 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

No District Councillors were present.

08/70 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING held 4 June 2007**

It was **AGREED** that the minutes were a true record of the meeting
The Chairman then signed the minutes.

08/71 **PCSO**

Cllr Wilkinson thanked Sgt Dowling for his presentation during public participation. The original terms of the contract with Thames Valley Police were discussed and compared to the new offer. It was agreed that the offer by Thames Valley Police offer of 2 x part time PCSO's for Wendover at no charge to Wendover Parish Council be accepted.

08/72 **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING held 2 July 2007**

Cllr Wilkinson gave a verbal report of the meeting.

08/73 **MANOR WASTE**

Cllr Mrs Gregory left the room.

Mrs Green's request to purchase a strip of land on the Manor Waste was discussed and rejected on the grounds that the Council understand the land in question to be gifted to the Parish Council "for the benefit of the inhabitants of the area". The possibility of granting a lease, or right of access across the land was considered, subject to legal investigation.

Cllr Mrs Gregory returned to the room.

08/74 **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Chairman precluded from discussing matters of the Council already under scrutiny.

a. The Standards Board had been advised that Wendover Parish Council had adopted the new Code of Conduct.

b. Councillor Training had been booked at Green Park for Tuesday, 25 September.

08/75 **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Cllr Bowles gave a verbal report on the meeting held on 26 June 2007.

08/76 **RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Cllr Worth gave a verbal report on the meeting held on 28 June 2007.

08/77 **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE**

Cllr Mrs McKechnie gave a verbal report on the meeting held on 26 June 2007

08/78 **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Cllr Kirton gave a verbal report of non-confidential matters from the meeting of 28 June 2007. He emphasised that the aim of the Personnel Committee was to continually improve process and support personnel.

Clarification had been obtained that it was acceptable to have the same members of the Finance Committee on the Personnel Committee.

08/79 **COUNCILLORS' ALLOWANCES**

It was proposed that Councillor's allowances be raised to £200 for each Councillor and £300 for the Chairman of the Parish Council. This was **AGREED**.

08/80 **PRINCESS MARY HOSPITAL SITE**

It was reported that the second exhibition appeared to show nothing new to the original plans. Concern was aired that it repeatedly used the wording 'urban' in descriptions.

08/81 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered and responses made as follows:-

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| 07/01487/APP | Erection of rear extension; Bridge Bend, Nash Lee Road
<i>The Parish Council opposes this application as they note that the proposed extension exceeds the guidelines on rear extensions.</i> |
| 07/01610/APP | Erection of single storey side extension and installation of dormer window to front and velux to side; 49 Thornton Crescent
<i>The Parish Council has no objections, provided that the new roof line does not overlook the neighbours.</i> |
| 07/01618/APP | Single storey and two storey rear extension and erection of front porch; 35 Dobbins Lane.
<i>The Parish Council opposes this application, noting that the drawings submitted exceed the Local Planning Authority guidelines on rear extensions. It was also noted that existing windows were not indicated and that the extension was not subservient to the existing property.</i> |
| 07/01606/APP | Single storey rear extension and 1.1m boundary fence; 201 Aylesbury Road.
<i>The Parish Council has no objections.</i> |

08/82 **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk gave her report.

08/83 **MATTERS OF REPORT for information only**

- a. Cllr Ballantine would be chairing an open public meeting regarding the proposed formation of a Bucks. Older People's Forum on 12 July, in the Memorial Hall between 2 - 4 pm in her private capacity.
- b. A comment was made regarding the letter in the Wendover News about, 'beautifying Wendover'.
- c. Rope Walk Meadow had received many compliments on the Wild Flower Project.
- d. At the request of AVDC, a meeting had been held between the Chairman of the Parish Council, the Chairman of the Lighting & Highways Committee with a representative of the company commissioned to do a survey on the parking issues affecting the village.
- e. The first tranche of funding for the skate park project had been applied for.
- f. Cllr Mrs McKechnie thanked the councillors for their support at the Charity Market

08/84 **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Planning Committee will meet on 17 July 2007 at 7.30 pm and 21 August at 7.30 pm
Recreation Grounds Committee will meet on 21 August at 8.15 pm
Finance Committee will meet on 6 August 2007 at 7.30 pm
Parish Council Meeting will be held on 6 August 2007 at 7.45 pm

08/85 **CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.17 pm.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date: 6 August 2007