

Wendover Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on 1 February, 2010

In Wendover Library Room at 7.40 pm

- Present:-** Cllrs Mrs Toft-Hunt, Mrs Ballantine, Mrs Saunders, McPartlan, Mrs Stamper, Mrs Carroll, Stevens, Myers, Worth,
Clerk: Mrs Fiona Lippmann
10 members of the public, County Councillor Mrs Clayton, District Councillor and Richards
- 10/220 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Apologies for absence were received and accepted for Cllrs Mrs Hoffmann and Louis.
- 10/221 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
a. There were no Declarations of a Personal Interest.
b. There were no Declarations of a Prejudicial Interest.
The Chairman adjourned the meeting for Public Question Time
Three members of the public spoke
The Chairman reopened the Parish Council meeting
- 10/222 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**
The County Councillor reported on:
- the gritting of the roads and pavements
- Dobbins Lane
- 10/223 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT**
No report was given
- 10/224 MINUTES**
The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 4 January 2010, were reviewed, it was asked that the word 'in' be added on the last line of item 10/199 so it would read, "The Goodson Map will be hung on the wall in the Library Room" and that item 10/208 have the words, "be disbanded and" added to the sentence, which would now read, "The recommendations from the Chilterns Community Police Liaison Group be disbanded and that any surplus funds be donated to a suitable source was agreed. The minutes were then confirmed as a true record. The Chairman initialled each page and signed them as agreed.
- 10/225 STAFFING COMMITTEE**
There had been no meeting of the Staffing Committee, which would be held on 8 February, 2010. It was remarked that Mr Gosling retiring will be a great loss to Wendover Parish Council. A replacement TIC officer will be sought.
- 10/226 PLANNING COMMITTEE**
a. Cllr Worth proposed that Cllr McPartlan be officially appointed to the Planning Committee. This was **agreed**.
b. The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting dated 4 and 19 January, 2010 were received as read
- 10/227 AMENITIES COMMITTEE**
a. The minutes of the Amenities meeting of 19 January 2010
b. The springs were once again working, including the one crossing Heron Path, BCC have agreed to run drainage into the nearest drain.
c. The half-pipe has now been moved to the London Road site.
- 10/228 MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE GROUP**
a. The notes of the meeting of 11 January, 2010 were taken as read.
b. The current financial statements and payments lists were agreed
c. It was **agreed** that the annual Parish Meeting be conducted on the same format as 2009
d. It was **agreed** that the Parish Council would be joining the National Association of British Market Authorities for an annual subscription of £318.
- 10/229 LONDON ROAD SITE**
a. It was **agreed** that Wendover Parish Council would combine with the Ian Rennie Hospice in their Memorial Woodland Project, having regard that the Wendover fallen are recognised in the woodland's design and designated pages of the Remembrance Book.
b. It was proposed and **agreed** that the funds earmarked for the Parish Council Woodland Proposal, being £500, be allocated to the new woodland.
- 10/230 COMMUNICATIONS GROUP**
a. Cllr Mrs Carroll reported on the meeting of the Communications Group of 11 January, 2010.
b. It was recommended and agreed that in future the newsletter would be printed and an external distribution and company would be used for delivery. The delivery would be kept under review. This was **agreed**.
c. The next tasks to be addressed would be Web Site content, Spring Newsletter, Annual Parish Meeting.
- 10/231 WEB SITE DESIGN GROUP**
There was nothing to report.
- 10/232 FAIRTRADE TOWN**
The Parish Council were advised that the return of the final input from external sources was still being awaited.

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10/233 LOCAL POLICING

Cllr Myers had attended a NAG meeting and outlined the priorities that were conveyed. The news that another Police Constable would be joining the area, was welcomed.

10/234 AVDC PARKING AND TOILETS

The Chair updated the members on the three meetings she had attended at AVDC. It has been recommended that AVDC will continue to fund the public toilets in Wendover for a limited period, during which time they would be refurbished with a contribution from AVDC. Following handover, Wendover Parish Council would take on the maintenance. It was noted that an addition £11k in costs would need to be found to fund the maintenance. The parking in the Library Car Park would continue to be free for the first hour.

10/235 BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL / DOBBINS LANE / COMMON LAND

The Chair outlined discussions that were had with Cllr Mrs Clayton agreeing a joint press statement and her disappointment at how the agreed wording had not been transposed in the Wendover News publication. It was noted that no response had been received from the Parish Council's letter to Cllr Mrs Letheren on the Dobbins Lane issue. The public were now being consulted on their opinions and boxes for comments were available in the Clock Tower and Library.

10/236 CONSULTATIONS

a. The Bucks CC Parking Enforcement Consultation was available for comment. It was agreed that Cllr Myers, in conjunction with the Clerk, would prepare a response, which would be circulated to the Councillors, with the relevant background information.

10/237 GRANTS

There were no grant applications to consider.

10/238 CONFERENCES/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

a. An updated training opportunities list was still being awaited for
b. Chilterns Access Conference – It was agreed that this was relevant and agreed that 2 councillors and one member of staff attend at a cost of £15 per head.

10/239 OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATION

Churchyard Care : Cllr Thorn had attended a Wendover Churchyard Care Committee Meeting
Memorial Hall : Cllrs Mrs Carroll and Mrs Stamper had attended a Memorial Hall Committee Meeting. It was noted that there would be small increases in hiring costs from April 2010. The lowering of running costs was outlined as a priority.

10/240 CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence was noted.

10/241 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's Report was received.

10/242 MATTERS OF REPORT (for information only)

a. It was hoped that the building that used to contain Threshers would change its livery colour when any new lease was signed
b. Vandals had damaged safety barriers on the skate board equipment on the London Road site.
c. The Best Window competition winner was The Big Fat Olive – Bucks Herald had been informed.
d. The wooden notice boards needed maintenance, come Spring.
e. The gates to the village were looking grubby
f. Water was still trickling out of the drain outside the Red Lion
g. Water main was being replaced in Back Street

10/243 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next Planning meetings would be held 16 February, and 1 March, 2010 at 7.00 pm
The next Parish Council meeting would be held on 1 March, 2010 at 7.30 pm
The next Staffing Committee meeting would be held on 8 February, 2010 at 4 pm
The next Management Group meeting would be held on 8 February, 2010 at 3 pm
The next Amenities Committee meeting would be held on 16 February, 2010 at 7.30 pm

10/244 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40 pm

Signed _____
Chairman

Date: _____

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Public Question Time

Subjects addressed were:-

- Churchyard Care – consideration by the Parish Council to renew the current contract to contribute to maintenance
- Future of Swan Edge site
- Street lights out on the corner of Aylesbury Road and Halton Lane.