

SHALFLEET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Shalfleet Parish Council held in the Newbridge Social Club on Wednesday 14th December 2005 at 1915 hrs.

Present: Cllr.C.Hedgley. Chairman.
Cllr.Mrs.B.Baxandall. Vice-Chairman.

Councillors: Mrs.P.Broadhead, W.R.Burt.CC, M.Carr, and Mrs.R.Runnette.

In attendance: J.A.H.Whitney Clerk & RFO .

59/05-6 APOLOGIES

None due to full attendance.

60/05-6 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations at this point.

61/05-6 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

RESOLUTION: The minutes of the previous meeting (prior circulated) were confirmed and the Chairman authorised to sign them as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr.Burt. Seconded: Cllr Mrs Broadhead Passed *nem con*

62/05-6 MATTERS ARISING NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION.

Ref54/05-6 The Clerk advised Members that a meeting of the cluster has been set for March 9th to be held in the evening at Shalfleet School, the LPA is to give a presentation on the Island Plan.

Ref 55/05-6 The Clerk confirmed he had written to the Principal of the Isle of Wight College suggesting the Newbridge Playground as a design project, the reply he had received indicated the College was doubtful that it could undertake this project. The Clerk advised members that most play equipment manufacturers offered a free design service to clients purchasing equipment, the Clerk reminded members of the present moribund state of the playground and offered to progress its upgrade in the new year hopefully to be concluded by the Summer school holidays.

Ref54/05-6 Cllr.W.Burt CC confirmed he was pursuing the matters of speed limit extension (Wellow Road) and road safety on the Fleetway Estate with Senior Officers of the IWC and will report back to a future meeting.

63/05-6 SAFE ROUTE TO SHALFLEET SCHOOL.

Members considered this item deferred from the previous meeting, agenda paper A (attached herewith) was considered together with the latest information from Mrs Fiona Thorpe (Chair of Governing Body) and correspondence from Helen Stichbury (Travel Plan Advisor) and Ann Marsden of the IWC Countryside Section. After a lengthy debate and individual opinions submitted by all councillors it was decided that no conclusive resolution could be achieved at the meeting until further information was obtained regarding facilities at Rookley & Chillerton School and Members had read the School Travel Plan which had only just been received from Mrs Thorpe. The Clerk was instructed to investigate facilities at Rookley & Chillerton and place this matter on the next agenda.

64/05-6 RESULTS OF PARISH HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY.

Copies of the results of a recent Housing Needs Survey were distributed to Members, these results indicated a good response from residents throughout the villages that make up the civil parish, the council decided to invite the Rural Housing Enabler (Ms.Clare Hodges) to its January meeting to interpret the survey results and advise on possible policy options.

65/05-6 CLERKS REPORT

RESOLUTION.

- a) Finance: The list of cheques for payment (prior circulated) were approved as follows: £141 Audit Commission,£47 Netguides,£44.06 IW Beacon,£375.24 Zurich Mutual, £24.85 J.Whitney expenses, Clerks Salary.
Proposed Cllr Carr. Seconded Cllr Mrs Broadhead Passed *nem con*.
- b) Administration. The Clerk distributed a forward list of 06 meeting dates and venues which have been confirmed by all booking sources.

The Clerk advised Members that an encapsulation machine and paper cutter would cost slightly under £100 for good quality products, the Clerk was authorised to purchase this equipment.

The Clerk confirmed that final clearance for the 2005 Intermediate Audit has been obtained with no adverse auditors comment. The Council congratulated the Internal Auditor and the Responsible Finance Officer on their efforts.

A letter from the IWC concerning the distribution of grass cutting grants for 2005/6 was read out, the text of this letter indicated it may be necessary to ration allocation of grant monies throughout the contracting parishes due to the excessively long growth period this year. Cllr.M.Carr expressed his concern regarding this proposed action which could be detrimental to the service provision

expected of parishes by their electorate. A number of further minor administrative items were listed by the Clerk.

66/05-6 CORRESPONDENCE

Items in the correspondence file were listed.

67/05-6 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING.

The Council received the following applications and the recommendations were:

P/02016/05 Greenacres, West Close, Cranmore-demolition and rebuild 18.3 m to east.
Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.

P/02272/05 Homestead Cottage, Caulbourne Lane Newbridge-demolition of existing structure and construction of new extensions-***Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.***

P/02190/05 Homestead Farm.Newbridge-Agricultural Prior Notice-Livestock/straw building. ***Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.***

Planning Result

REFUSAL P/01948/05 The Cedar House, Hamstead Rd. Cranmore-single extension

68/05-6 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr.W.Burt.CC advised he had been appointed to a Liaison Committee (P&TC's) he went on to comment on the current workload of the Local Planning Authority which is struggling to achieve development resolution targets. Cllr Burt reported that guard rails adjacent to Wellow Manor Farm required attention.

Cllr.M.Carr advised on a recent donation of a Jubilee mug and confirmed he still had custody of the parish stock of mugs. Mr Carr rehearsed his previous report regarding a damaged finger post at Warlands Lane and also advised Members of details of a Rural Forum meeting he had recently attended.

Cllr Mrs Broadhead advised on details of a recent IWC Budget Liaison meeting she had attended on behalf of the council. Pam Broadhead also suggested that the parish website might include some public service notes from IWC Trading Standards.

Cllr.Mrs.Ros Runnette reported that some annoying petty thieving involving the loss of flower pots has been reported to Ningwood Residents Association.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS AND NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT THE COUNCIL ROSE AT 2105 hr

Signed as a true record.....Chairman

Date.....