

Shedfield Parish Council

(Incorporating the villages of Shedfield, Shirrell Heath and Waltham Chase)

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON 26 AUGUST 2008 WALTHAM CHASE METHODIST CHURCH

Present:

Parish Councillors: David Ogden, Roy Phillips, Alan Cox, Ruth Wiffen, Graham Smith, Sarah Keen, Jess Bond

District Councillors: Roger Huxstep, Linda Gemmell

County Councillor: Felicity Hindson

Clerk: Yvonne Wheadon

Others: 17 Members of the public

38/08 Apologies for absence – Councillors, Val Green, Lesley White, Rosy Whiter and PCSO 13309, Paul Martin

39/08 Councillor David Ogden signed the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 23 June 2008 as a true and accurate record.

40/08 Co-option of New Councillors - Councillor Graham Smith proposed Malcolm Hogg and Councillor Ruth Wiffen seconded, Malcolm accepted and joined the Committee. Rupert Irons who was not present responded to an advertisement placed in the school magazine David Ogden Proposed and Roy Phillips seconded with 1 abstention.

41/08 Meeting adjourned for public participation including reports from:-

County Councillor Felicity Hindson

- (i) Pricketts Hill - CC Hindson was unable to locate records of the number of accidents and the City Council would encourage less use of HGV's though they will still need access to premises; however a 30 mph limit can be added to the list for investigation.
- (ii) A request to lower the speed limit in Curdridge Lane was made and councillors were asked for their views.
- (iii) Silverlake Garage - A site visit has been arranged for 29th September to confirm measurements of stacks.
- (iv) An effective system to clear gullies and drains is planned for Highways. The Footway in Ashley Gardens is scheduled for 8th September.
- (v) Consultations for the South East Plan are underway, there are no changes to housing figures.

The Chair responded saying that the Council fully supported speed reductions in the Parishes.

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District Councillor Roger Huxstep

- (vi) Highway matters can be reported to Hants County Council and a common problem is overgrown foliage that covers signs. Where possible request that the property owner cuts back. Another problem is 'Rat Runs' - Drivers need to be wary when driving through villages.
- (vii) Sean Beech gave personal thanks to the Council for supporting the Tri-Village Event in which there were 72 competitors. Official letter to be sent.
- (viii) Martin Clarke enquired as to the completion date of the Web Site. Councillor Sarah Keen confirmed that the web site has been launched and the address is www.shedfieldparishcouncil.org.uk
- (ix) Rauf Dowd enquired about an issue that had been mentioned at a previous meeting concerning Tree Preservation. The Chair apologised for the delay and said that a meeting is to be arranged to include Tree Wardens.
- (x) Members of the public were interested in proposals to develop the Mount Pleasant Site that has been identified as suitable for Affordable Rural Housing - The Chair said that it may be best to wait until the plans are submitted in order to make comment and in the meantime he will endeavour to arrange a consultation between all interested parties.

42/08 Planning - Highways

- (i) Councillor Rosy Whiter had attended a further meeting at St Johns re the 'Walk to school scheme'; Chair explained the Council involvement as we are considering sharing a Speed Activated Device, that can be moved to known trouble spots.

43/08 Open Spaces -

- (i) David Ogden suggested a solution to waste collection facilities at the Pavilion to our neighbours, Shedfield Scout Group by sharing the bin and cost. Councillor Cox proposed and Councillor Keen seconded, all in favour. Will share the cost of £5.83 per week. Clerk to contact the Scout Group for agreement.
- (ii) A majority vote in agreement to awarding a grant to Waltham Wolves newest Football team was made.
- (iii) Allotment Gardens - Jess Bond declared an interest as her husband is a plot holder.
- (iv) Roy Phillips proposed that plots should be measured by the 'Rod' and charged accordingly. It was decided that this issue should be debated at next Open Space Committee meeting.
- (v) A proposal to bury the existing water pipe in accordance with Water Board standards and to include a new tap at the far end was agreed by majority. 2 against.

Waltham Chase Recreation Ground

- (i) Quotes have been received to replace the damaged metal fencing at Waltham Chase Recreation. David Ogden suggested that a further check was made as he believed more than one required repair.

War Memorial

- (i) Graham Smith proposed to replace and fix a new memorial (1939-1945). Permission would be requested to place the existing worn memorial in the cemetery. A unanimous agreement was made. The total cost is £3053.83

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- (ii) A quotation for cutting broom and hedges was unanimously agreed at £10 per cut. This will be now included in the maintenance contract.

44/08 Common - Chair of Common Alan Cox reported

- (i) The Common has now been cut and branches removed. It was also agreed to leave 2 areas of natural habitat.
- (ii) A solicitor's letter is to be drawn up for illegal parking on the common. Clerk to chase.
- (iii) The horse that was unlawfully tethered at the common has now been removed.
- (iv) Councillor Cox said that the ragwort weed has been pulled but should anyone notice any more then to let him or the clerk know.

45/08 Cemetery -

- (i) Councillor Ruth Wiffen proposed that the quotes to install the memorial bench in the cemetery be considered. With 2 objections a majority decision was agreed upon that P Goodhew's quote be accepted.

46/08 - Finance and Administration -

- (i) Payments list - circulated
- (ii) Cash statement - circulated
- (iii) The Annual Return for 2007/2008 was approved and signed by the Chairman.
- (iv) The replacement of damaged notice boards is to be considered at the next Open Spaces meeting.
- (v) It was agreed that only Approved minutes would appear on the website.

47/08 - Alan Cox and Jess Bond attended a Course for new Councillors.

48/08 - Correspondence

- (i) Tri Village - A thank you letter and photographs were circulated
- (ii) Community Transport Information letter regarding free local minibus - Posters placed on notice boards.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.45 hrs