

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WORLDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

8.00 pm Wednesday 5th August 2015

EAST WORLDHAM VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs Terry Blake (Chairman), Andrew Aldridge, Tessa Gaffney, Mary Trigwell-Jones, Dcllr David Ashcroft, Robin Twining Clerk, 0 Members of the public.

22/15 To receive and accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Thomas Brock and Cllr Tara Goodwyn.

23/15 Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes of the Worldham Parish Council held on 10th June were agreed and signed
Proposed by Cllr Gaffney and seconded by Cllr Trigwell-Jones AIF

24/15 To receive and note any declarations of interest relevant to the agenda

None declared

25/15 Review of actions from last meeting - Annex A lists action points that are in progress, pending or have been completed.

Councillors noted the status of the Action Points. The Clerk reported that he is still collecting information about the costings of speed prevention measures. If the solar farm planning application is approved, any Community Benefit money received could potentially be used to fund speed prevention measures.

26/15 Planning

a) Applications received, decisions and actions made since last meeting

The Clerk reported on applications received, decisions and actions made since the last meeting:

- Land to the North and South of, Cakers Lane, East Worldham, Alton - Installation of a solar farm and associated infrastructure, including photovoltaic panels, mounting frames, inverters, transformers, substations, communications building, fence and pole mounted security cameras, for the life of the solar farm. Comments submitted – Objection

The site meeting is expected to occur on 17th August and the planning application to go to the full Planning Committee meeting on 27th August. Councillors agreed that Cllr Blake would speak on behalf of the Parish Council at the meeting.

- Barn adjacent to Unit 1 Shelleys Lane East Worldham Alton Hampshire - Prior Approval of proposed Change of Use of agricultural building to a flexible use. Decision: Prior Approval is required and refused.
- Tree View, Blanket Street, East Worldham, Alton, GU34 3BA - Replacement garage. Decision: Permission
- Tree View, Blanket Street, East Worldham, GU34 3BA - Agricultural Prior Notification - proposed building. Decision: Prior approval not required
- Bower House Wyck Lane East Worldham GU34 3AW - Single storey rear extension. Comments submitted – no objection
- 6 Tyling Cottages Green Street East Worldham GU34 3AU - Oil tank near main road at the front boundary of the site. Replacement UPVC white windows to existing dwelling. Comments to be submitted by 10th August
- 6 Tyling Cottages Green Street East Worldham GU34 3AU - Change of use of land and provision of kennels. Comments to be submitted by 10th August

Councillors agreed that the Parish Council should submit an objection to the planning application on the grounds of noise and nuisance due to its proximity to its neighbours, and access onto the B3004. It was noted that there had been a road fatality immediate opposite where the kennels are proposed.

- 1 & 2 School Hill Cottage Worldham Hill East Worldham Alton Hampshire GU34 3AT - Construction of access and parking area. Comments to be submitted by 17th August

27/15 Jalsa Salana Update

This year's Jalsa Salana will be from Friday 21st August to 23rd August. The 28 day rule will operate from 4th to 28th August.

The Clerk reported that he had received copy of an email that a parishioner had sent to their local MP, Damian Hinds, asking for reassurance in the wake of the Tunisian beach terrorist attack, that there would be adequate security and surveillance in place to protect the attendees and the residents of Worldham. Damian Hinds had responded saying that the Police have assured him that there will be adequate policing for the event.

Councillors noted that a new access track had been built from the B3004 to Oaklands Farm. In June work had been carried out on the gas pipeline and inspection chamber. After the contractors had finished working it appears that the AMA constructed the track, to be used as an entrance and exit for buses to the Jalsa Salana site.

The construction of the track has been investigated by the Planning Development Inspector of EHDC who had concluded that planning approval is required. Councillors noted that as well as being a Highways Issue it is also a HCC issue because the access track crosses common land.

Cllr Blake reported that he and his neighbours will be meeting representatives of the AMA on Friday to discuss issues concerning the Jalsa Salana which are particularly relevant to the residents living in and around Binswood.

28/15 Clerk's report

- a) Finance - Cheques approved, bank balances, audit report, insurance
Councillors noted the cheques issued since the last Parish Council meeting and that the total of the bank balances stands at £17,733.75.

The Clerk reported that the external auditor had raised one query regarding the audit, "The Clerk's salary has increased significantly since last year", and had requested a copy of the Minutes approving this increase. This had been sent.

The Clerk reported that the insurance broker the Parish Council use, Came & Company, has joined the Stackhouse Poland Group.

The Clerk reported that he had received the insurance renewal notice which was for £1,016.90 which is £29 higher than last year's premium. The sums insured for buildings, general contents and the playground equipment are index-linked and had increased by 3%.

Cllr Blake proposed and Cllr Trigwell-Jones seconded the proposal to accept the Came & Company insurance quotation. AIF

- b) Correspondence
None

- c) **Meetings**
The Clerk reported that the SDNPA will be holding a workshop for Hampshire Parish Councils on 9th September. The workshop will provide an opportunity to hear about the draft local plan and on how to respond to the consultation.

The next EHATPC meeting is expected to be on 16th September and items on the agenda will include the possible disaffiliation of HALC from NALC, and a presentation from Mark Webb from EHDC's Planning Department.

Cllr Blake apologised that he had not attended the recent "Minerals and Waste Safeguarding" meeting organised by HCC.

29/15 Village Hall update

Cllr Gaffney reported that Cllr Andrew Aldridge had agreed to join the village hall sub-committee. It is proposed to hold a sub-committee meeting in September specifically to look at how the hall can be used to help integrate the community.

In June it was found that the doors to the toilets would not shut. Eric Neller had adjusted the doors and put new locks on them. He has agreed to do the exterior painting but was looking into acquiring some scaffolding to reach the upper windows. Councillors agreed that for health and safety reasons, Mr Neller should hire the scaffolding equipment.

The Clerk agreed that in future he would also, in the financial summary of income received, indicate what the hall had been used for.

30/15 Playground Report

The Clerk reported that he had received the RoSPA playground annual inspection report. The report had identified that the red handle to the left of the slide on the Multiplay Toddler equipment is loose. The Clerk reported that he had tried to tighten it, but it was still slightly loose. The Clerk was asked to check whether the equipment is still under guarantee. The Clerk reported that on his last inspection of the playground he noticed that one of the seats on the picnic bench was loose and needs some minor repairs.

New Action Point August 01-15 Clerk to check whether Multiplay Toddler equipment is under guarantee

31/15 Highways and Footpath issues

Councillors noted that the residents of Hill View were not satisfied with the response given by the Highways Authority regarding the state of the pavement outside their house. It was agreed that the Clerk should take this matter up again with Highways.

Councillors noted the Highways Authority had not yet actioned the request for Limited weight restriction notices at the Round House junction on the B3006 and at West Wordlham. It was agreed that the Clerk should take this matter up again with Highways.

New Action Point August 02-15 Clerk to contact Highways regarding the pavement by Hill View and weight restriction notices

Councillors noted that Shelley's Lane will be closed on 9th/10th August for repairs to the potholes. Concerns were expressed regarding the access to the Industrial Estate and Clay's Lane during the closure.

Councillors noted that a number of potholes had been marked up on Blanket Street and by Ghost Corner.

Councillors expressed concern about the state of the beech hedge on Church Lane and that brambles were extending onto the lane which need cutting back by the landowners.

Footpath issues

Bridleway leading into Binswood

Cllr Blake reported the footpath/bridleway has been closed for 3 or 4 years. He had spoken to Steve Arnold, part of HCC's Countryside Team dealing with footpaths. HCC have now confirmed that there is money in the budget to undertake the repair and the work is currently out to tender.

Councillors noted over 75% of the work on Watery Lane had been completed but the bottom part of Watery Lane had been designated as a water course so work has temporarily been halted. Work on the BOAT from Candovers to the Priory had been completed.

Councillors noted that the hedge is encroaching over the pathway between the playground and Old House Gardens. The Clerk was asked to contact HCC Countryside Services requesting them to send a formal notice to the landowner.

New Action Point August 03-15 Clerk to contact HCC Countryside Services requesting them to send a formal notice to the landowner.

32/15 Miscellaneous and Any Other Business

a) Nomination for South Downs National Park Authority Parish Representative
Councillors noted that Cllr Doug Jones was the only candidate and had been duly re-elected.

b) Village Design Statement Update

Cllr Blake reported that the VDS had been adopted by EHDC in January 2015. The SDNPA had requested a number of changes which had been made. Cllr Blake is waiting to hear from Chris Patterson, of SDNPA, whether the VDS will be on the SDNPA agenda for adoption at their August meeting. Once adopted there will be 2 versions of the VDS in existence. The plan is to ask EHDC to accept/adopt the revised SDNPA version. A copy of the VDS has been passed onto the planning Department

c) Farnborough Airport TAG Consultation

The Clerk reported that he had asked John Denyer to comment on the latest report regarding the Farnborough Airport TAG Consultation. His comments are:
There is still a substantial increase in departing aircraft routing close to East Worldham. The departure tracks have been adjusted to route between Kingsley and East Worldham, rather than overhead East Worldham. They do however still overfly West Worldham. The arrival tracks now miss us altogether. The departing aircraft will be up to 1600 ft higher than in the previous proposal.

Councillors noted that the final decision will be made by the CAA.

d) Comments and questions from Councillors

Councillors agreed that the Clerk should talk with County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee regarding traffic calming measures for East Worldham and continuing the footpath down Worldham Hill.

Councillors noted that the promised signage along Wyck Lane had still not been erected.

Dcll Ashcroft reminded Councillors that the District Councillor's grants are still available, and he would be receptive to receiving proposals in the order of £1,000.

33/15 Date of next Meetings:

Parish Council meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of each month (if required).

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm

Annex A

New Action Points

Action ID	Action detail	Owner
August 01-15	Clerk to check whether Multiplay Toddler equipment is under guarantee	Clerk
August 02-15	Clerk to contact Highways regarding the pavement by Hill View and weight restriction notices	Clerk
August 01-15	Clerk to contact HCC Countryside Services requesting them to send a formal notice to the landowner	Clerk

Actions points from previous Worldham Parish Council Meetings:

Action ID	Action detail	Owner	Status
March 01-15	Clerk to complete the application form for registering the Three Horseshoes as a community asset	Clerk	On-going
March 02-15	Clerk to raise the issue of the shrine on the B3004 with Highways as a road safety issue	Clerk	On-going
March 03-15	Clerk to investigate the economics and costings of installing flashing speed control cameras in Worldham	Clerk	On-going
April 05-15	To look again at the possibility of creating village gateways on the B3004 on both sides of East Worldham – please drive slowly notices, planting flowers etc	Clerk	On-going