Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 13th November 2017 in the Wallops Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Mr J Taylor Firth – Chairman

Cllr Mr M Glover – Vice Chairman

Cllr Mr T Burden – Palestine

Cllr Mrs T Forrest Cllr Mrs L Raynes Cllr Mr B Elliott Cllr Mr C Roberts

Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk County Councillor Mr A Gibson Members of the Public – 8

Apologies: Cllr Mr G Gates and Borough Cllr Mr T Hope.

WELCOME.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Mr T Burden declared an interest in planning application 17/02573/PDPAN

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Glover and seconded by Cllr Forrest.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES.

PLAY AREA – The outstanding work identified on the risk assessment for the Evans Close Play and The Alan Evans Memorial Ground has been completed.

STREET LIGHTS – The tree branches that are obscuring the street lights by the Old Drapery Store and Piccadilly Cottages have been reported to SSE. Action: Parish Clerk

TRAFFIC CALMING – The Chairman reported that traffic Calming Scheme has progressed but has not yet had full approval from planning. HCC can not give dates as it can take some time for final approval. The Chairman stated that he has been working with HCC and confirmed that the money for the scheme has been ringfenced (£320,000.00). Action: Chairman

Traffic Calming was discussed at length. County Councillor Mr A Gibson stated that the Traffic Calming has to be done and the Kentsboro junction will need to be pushed forward. Cllr Mr A Gibson stated that there would be a positive announcement before the next Parish Council meeting. Action: Cllr A Gibson.

RIVER BANK – The Chairman reported that he has delivered 28 letters to residents and had spoken to nearly all householders who's property borders the brook. HCC have been reminded twice that the posts and railings are in a bad state of repair and need of attention.

The Parish Council discussed having a working party to tackle the railings along the river bank. Cllr Roberts stated that he would walk the river bank and asses what repairs are needed. Action: Cllr C Roberts.

LENGTHSMAN – The Clerk reported that the Lengthsman can not undertake the cutting back of the hedge opposite the storage site on Station Road, this is classed as working on the 'Live Road' and the Lengthsman does not carry the insurance needed. This overgrown hedge has been reported to Highways. Action: Parish Clerk

ALLOTMENTS – Mr Richard Quick reported that the hedge along the track to the allotments has been cut.

CLLR MR A GIBSONS.

Cllr Mr A Gibson spoke about Hampshire County Councils £140 Million budget shortfall and the proposed cuts to services to help save money. Proposed cuts include withdrawing funding for the School Crossing, subsidised bus services and a small charge for pensioners when they use their bus pass.

FINANCE.

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CHEQUES AND PAYMENTS ISSUED IN November 2017

R.N. Waterman	Wages – November	465.00
Aviva	Insurance	183.19
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	19.70
Crescent Signs	Play Area Signs	234.00
Wel Medical	Defibrillator Pads	98.82
Flowright	Maintenance	475.41
BDO LLP	Audit	240.00
HCC	Parish Hall Supplies	164.05
Mark Lovell	Grass Cutting – Church and PC	1,608.00
Crescent Signs	Signs	624.00
	Takal Barrara	-L- C 4442 47

Total Payments £ 4112.17

BANK ACCOUNTS BALANCES.

After above payments have been deducted

Current Account £ 18,680.24
Premier Interest £ 10,041.91
Sports Account £ 1,532.50
£30,254.65

Proposed by Cllr Glover and seconded by Cllr Burden.

PLANNING

17/02756/ADVN – Display of mesh banner on front elevation – Museum of Army Flying. SUPPORT.

17/02755/FULLN – Erection of a new single storey draft lobby – Museum of Army Flying. SUPPORT.

17/02641/FULLN – Single storey side and rear extension and loft extension; erection of 3 bay timber garage with workshop – Windy Ridge, Wallop Road, Grateley. NO OBJECTION.

17/02573/PDPAN – Notification of prior approval under class PA – change of use from light industrial to dwelling house – Old Coach Works, Streetway Road, Palestine. NO COMMENT

Up-date on the Esterline Site – The site should be cleared by the new year. Half of the site has been sold to a Pyrotechnic Company.

ALLOTMENTS

Cllr Forrest reported that Allotment Working Group is going Ok and progress is being made. A draft allotment tenancy has been completed, a more robust burning policy is needed to eradicate illegal burning. A yearly allotment fee of £12 has been agreed.

The Parish Council, on advice, will post a notice regarding asking the owner of the old beehives to remove them or action will be taken. Registering the allotments with the Land Registry is in hand.

Mr Richard Quick reported that work has already started on clearing the allotments of rubbish. The Allotment Working Group have joined the Allotment Society. It has been suggested that a Notice Board is purchased and there have been three requests received for an allotment. Very Positive. The next meeting is to be held on the 29th November 2017.

LESIURE

Cllr Forrest reported that Over Wallop Football Club have played two games and have five more to play. OWFC have asked for new nets but have not offered any assistance. OWFC left the pavilion in a poor state after their last game and Chris Wilkins had to come and clean the pavilion.

The box in the equipment store has been dismantled and the Hot water cylinder drained. Cllr Forrest highlighted that vehicles have been accessing the field in the corner by Sudden Farm. Cllr Glover suggested that a concrete barrio could be placed across the gap and that he would enquire about costs. Action: Cllr Glover

PLAY AREA – Cllr Raynes reported that when she visited the Evans Close Play Area she had witnessed Children climbing on top of the new Play equipment. Cllr Forrest reported that the Parish Council have taken reasonable precautions to conform with their insurance responsibilities and could not be held responsible for miss use of the play equipment.

PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

CLLR J TAYLOR FIRTH – Reported that TVBC are currently looking at the Parish Boundaries and they will be contacting the Parish Council for their views. Palestine will join the newly formed Anna Ward for the 2019 Elections.

CLLR L RAYNES – Suggested that the Parish Council have a Community Plan to inform residents of events and topics for the parish. The Parish Council thought this a good idea and looked forward to seeing a draft.

CLLR T BURDEN – Reported that the top end of ???????? Road needed clearing the track has got very overgrown. The Clerk suggested that Mat Townsend be asked to do this as the Parish Council had already contracted him to do cutting back. The Clerk will ask Mat to contact Cllr Burden. Action: Parish Clerk

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr T Macey and Mr Forrest asked if the Parish Council were all in agreement over the Traffic Calming Scheme. When discussed earlier in the meeting mixed messages were coming from the Councillors, in their opinion they did not give a clear message of support for the scheme to the County Councillor. This was noted. The Chairman stated that the Parish Council were all in favour of the traffic calming scheme.

Mr Flippance spoke about the recent big bomb testing at Porton Down and enquired why they were so severe and loud. Cllr Raynes stated that she worked at Porton Down and that she would take this up and hopefully get an explanation.

Mr Flippance made the point that if Palestine is to be moved into the Anna Ward they will have a new Borough Councillor that will not know the area when dealing with Planning Applications. This was noted.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING. 11th December 2017