Minutes of the Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009 in the Wallop Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present: Cllr L Murray-Twinn - Chairman

Cllr J Taylor Firth - Vice Chairman

Cllr T Burden Cllr I Cleife Cllr G Cairns

Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk Borough Councillor Mr T Hope Members of the Public - 7

Apologies: Cllr P Quick, Cllr Cochrane, Ruth Cartwright - NHW and PCSO Rachael Cassells.

**WELCOME.** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

Cllr Cairns declared an interest in the Youth Football Teams.

# PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY.

The Chairman reported that Cllr Mr T Macey has resigned from the Parish Council, the Parish Clerk has put up Notices in the village advertising the post. The parish Council wished to take the opportunity to record their thanks for the work Mr Macey has done during his time as a Parish Councillor.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.** The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Firth and seconded by Cllr Burden.

## **URGENT ITEMS.**

Cllr Cleife asked who will take over the Project Management roll for the refurbishment of the Parish Hall, now that Mr Macey has resigned from the Parish Council, and will this effect the Grant Application? The Chairman did not think that Mr Macey's resignation would have any effect on the Grant Application and the Project Management roll will be dealt with at the appropriate time.

Cllr Murray-Twinn stated that there have been reports of vandalism in the Playing Field Play Park, Youth are congregating in here and it is thought that alcohol is consumed. A resident has reported that her dog had its paws cut by broken glass resulting in a £300 vets bill. Residents are however reluctant to report incidents to the Police, the police and the Test Valley Community Officer have now been informed. Cllr Murray-Twinn reported that on visiting the site she noticed the large amount of rubbish on the field. The Clerk was asked to purchase two litter pickers.

Cllr Cairns reported that he had to pick up glass bottles that had been smashed against the Pavilion walls before a Football Training session with the youth.

## POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT.

Mrs Cartwright has reported that there is another Bank Scam doing the rounds. The latest email is from someone claiming to be from the Halifax and asking for personnel account information, these emails are not from the Halifax and people have been caught out by this seemingly real message, DO NOT OPEN THIS EMAIL. If residents receive this message

they should send it to the Halifax Security Centre who's email address is : <a href="mailto:security@hbospic.com">security@hbospic.com</a> with a heading of REPORT.

**PLANNING.** There were no Planning Applications.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

The Clerk gave an up-date on the Parish Council's bank balances. Cheques issues in March 2009 were proposed by Cllr Firth and seconded by Cllr Burden:

Richard Waterman Wages £ 402.50

Expenses £ 67.20

Mike Grayer Parish Hall Boiler Maintenance £ 60.00 Brian Forest Plumbing Work in the pavilion £ 162.50

## TRAFFIC CALMING.

The Parish Council have not yet herd from Mr Alborough from Test Valley Borough Council Highways, it was hoped that Mr Alborough would be able to attend the April meeting to give an up-date on the Traffic Calming.

The Chairman read out a letter received from the Wallop Residents Traffic Group outlining their proposals to deal with the traffic problem. The Parish Council have been asked if they would meet with the group to discuss their ideas and proposals. The Chairman and Vice Chairman will meet with the group before the next meeting.

The Clerk reported that notification about additional changes to the length of speed limits in Over Wallop has been displayed around the village by Hampshire County Council. The following has been proposed:-

## **30MPH SPEED LIMIT**

- 1. C7 King Lane between a point 80 metres north east of its junction with Pound Road and a point 116 metres north of its junction with Craydown Lane, an approx distance of 474 metres.
- 2. Craydown Lane between its junction with C7 King Lane and a point 32 metres east thereof.
- 3. Craydown Lane link road between its junction with C7 King Lane and its junction with Craydown Lane, an approx distance of 27 metres.

#### **40 MPH SPEED LIMIT**

B3084 Wallop Road between a point 183 metres north west of its junction with Evans Close and a point 267 metres north west of that point.

Cllr Mr Hope spoke about the 106 Agreements due to the village for Traffic Calming, he felt that it would be some time before the money would be available as the developments are a long way off being completed or even started. The Chairman reported that another avenue that could be explored is a partnership with Hampshire County Council for Traffic Calming, the Parish Council would have to contribute financially to a scheme.

## REPORT FROM THE LEISURE COMMITTEE.

The Chairman reported that a summer holiday activity programme is being planned, it is

hoped to hold this twice a week on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. The programme will be for 8-12 year olds on the Wednesday and 12-16 year olds on the Saturday, although all will be welcome on both days. It is hoped to have some professional coaching available and activities for both girls and boys. The Chairman will put an article in the Village News when this has been confirmed.

PAVILION - Refurbishing the pavilion was discussed, it was agreed that the pavilion needed work to bring it up to standard. one quote has been received and the Clerk will obtain two more before the next meeting. The Showers are in a poor state and will also need to be replaced, quotes will be obtained. Cllr Cairns reported that the old toilet cistern is laying on the floor and he thought that it contained asbestos. Cllr Cleife reported that disposal of this would need to be done correctly and the cistern would need to be doubled bagged, Cllr Cleife said he would do this and remove the cistern from the pavilion.

FOOTBALL - Cllr Cairns reported that the football is going well and there is a good turn out each week, a few more of the older age group are needed to have a second team. The CRB checks will need to be done for the volunteer helpers.

GRASS CUTTING - The Chairman stated that the Grass Cutting contract will be discussed in camera by the Parish Council after the meeting.

ALLOTMENTS - Cllr Mr Cairns reported that Mr Macey has informed him that the work to clear the remaining land in the allotments has been completed and that he is happy to continue running the Allotments.

#### PARISH HALL COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Chairman reported that the Hall Committee are still waiting to hear from the Lottery. It is hoped that there will be some news by the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009.

## FOOTPATHS REPORT.

Cllr Cairns reported that he had spoken to Wallop Defence Systems about the broken gate, this has now been removed and will be replaced with a new one in due course.

## **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR T HOPE'S REPORT.**

Cllr Mr Hope spoke about the state of Station Road and the large puddles that form, he suggested that Mr Walsh from Highways is asked to come and look at the problem. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways.

Cllr Mr Hope spoke about Appleton Close, he was surprised to read that the latest proposals from Hyde Housing are for 8 dwellings when there is Planning permission for 10. This was discussed at length and it was agreed that this will be put to Mr C Buchan-Hayburn from Hyde Housing.

Cllr Mr Hope spoke about the Test Valley Borough Council Tax - A Band D property will increase by £5.13 a year - 10p a week. Hampshire Council have increased their Council Tax by 1.9%.

#### DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The **Annual General Meeting** is to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in the Parish Hall. The **Annual Parish Meeting** is to be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2009 in the Parish Hall.

# POINTS FORM THE FLOOR.

The wooded site that has was cleared in Station Road was raised by a resident, last year when the site was being cleared there were constant bonfires through out the summer, the disruption caused to residents was tolerated as the site was being cleared and would be a benefit to residents. However concerns have been raised as the contractors are bringing material onto the site to burn, residents are fearful that they will have to put up with the smoke again.

Cllr Mr Hope stated that he was aware of the situation and explained that there are two very large tree stumps that are to big to remove from the site, the contractor is trying to reduce them in size by burning them, hence the material being brought to the site. Cllr Mr Hope will speak to the contractor to see if a compromise can be reached.

Mr Peter Hope reported that the Over Wallop Village Fete will be held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2009 and any ideas for events would be welcome. It was suggested that the Community Development Programme have a stand to advertise the scheme. The Parish Council thought this a good idea.

Mr Peter Hope stated that it was nice to see the brightly coloured notices around the village advertising the Parish Council Meetings. He thought the Parish Council did a good job. The Chairman thanked him for his comments.

#### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING.**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.