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PARISH OF WONERSH NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

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Minutes of a meeting of Wonersh Parish Council held on

Thursday, 12th March 2009 at 7.30pm

At Wonersh Sports Pavilion

Present: Cllr N Morris (in the chair)
Cllr R Bawden
Cllr N Goodchild
Cllr M Harding
Cllr L Healy
Cllr A Powell-Evans

In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs J Cadman

09/37 Apologies for absence were received from Parish Cllrs M Band, C Howard and A Shareef, Borough Cllr M Goodridge, County Cllr A Povey.

09/38 Local Code of Conduct – disclosures of interests

09/43d: *Donation to Hurtwood Trust:* Cllr Harding declared an interest as a Trustee of the Hurtwood Trust.

09/47: *Pipe under Sportsfield:* Cllr Bawden declared an interest as Chairman of the Sports Club

09/39 Open Meeting for electors

No members of the public were present.

09/40 Minutes of the meeting held 12th February 2009

These were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

09/41 Matters Arising

08/178: *Age Concern:* Cllr Healy advised that self directed support was being promoted. A person in need of care would be given a budget to allow them the options of remaining in their own home or living with relatives and buying in care, or moving to live in care. Involvement in this issue is beyond the remit of the Council. NFA required.

09/21: *Litter Bin outside Arbuthnot Hall:* Sarah Henderson had advised that she had moved the bin as the bench which it was next to had disappeared, leaving the bin in the wrong place. She would be asked if it was possible to put another bin closer, or on the wall of, the hall.

09/23e(iii): *Commons Maintenance:*

The Clerk tabled a quotation from Simon James to replace the posts near the recreation ground, at a cost of £1400 plus VAT. A quotation for posts on the Platt would follow. These would be presented for approval at the April meeting.

Agenda item: April.

09/26: *Tree work following inspection:* the Clerk has arranged to meet with Sarah Henderson on the 9th April to list trees. This will be presented at the April meeting, together with the list of tree guards to be removed.

Agenda item: April meeting

09/27: *Allotments:* A quotation had been received from Paul Stevens to clear and level plot 1b, cut back the adjacent hedge and also clear and rotovate plot 6b for a new tenant, at £620. This was approved.

09/33: *carbon neutral projects:* the template had been issued and had been completed by most recipients.

09/42 Current Planning Applications:

The Comments made to Waverley Planning department regarding the following **15** planning applications considered since the last meeting was APPROVED unanimously.

WA/2008/2050 and 2051 Hyde Farm, The Green, Shamley Green

Alterations to provide indoor swimming pool and listed building consent for this.

WITHDRAWN

WA/2008/2213 Land at Brook Farm, Upper House Lane, Shamley Green

Erection of a replacement building

WA/2008/2216 Hullbrook Farm, Long Common, Shamley Green

Retention of a mixed use commercial building

WA/2008/2218 Wonersh Mill, Barnett Hill, Wonersh

Construction of temporary access track

WA/2009/0007 4 Hillside Cottages, Blackheath Lane, Blackheath

Erection of garage and workshop/hobby studio following demolition of existing garage (revision of WA/2008/1896)

WA/2009/0043 Barn Cottage, The Green, Shamley Green

Erection of extensions to existing detached garage

WA/2009/0044 Barn Cottage, The Green

Listed Building Consent for the erection of extensions to existing detached garage

WA/2009/0054 3 Hillside Cottages, Blackheath Lane, Blackheath

Construction of dormer window to provide loft conversion and alterations

WA/2008/1775 Green Lane Farm, Shamley Green

Change of use of land to form additional residential curtilage following demolition of stables, erection of an equestrian building

amendment: revised description of development: replacement of stables and other ancillary buildings with a paddock area and erection of a riding hall (omission of proposed additional residential curtilage) - clarification re which buildings are to be demolished.

WA/2009/0103 The Millers, Hullbrook Lane, Shamley Green

Erection of extensions and alterations

WA/2009/0108 Pooh Corner, Sweetwater Lane, Shamley Green

Erection of extensions with catslide roof following demolition of existing garage (revision of WA/2008/1419)

WA/2009/0119 Pasturewood Cottage, Woodhill Lane, Shamley Green

Erection of new dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling

WA/2009/0136 Peony Cottage, The Street, Wonersh

Erection of a single storey extension

WA/2009/0137 Peony Cottage, Wonersh

Listed building consent for the above

WA/2009/0054 2 Hillside Cottages, Blackheath Lane, Blackheath

Construction of a dormer window to provide loft conversion and alterations

Amendment: plans to show smaller dormer with pitched roof.

09/43 Finance

- a) Members RESOLVED that the current list of Receipt and Payment vouchers be approved. This was PROPOSED by Cllr Bawden, SECONDED by Cllr Healy, with all in favour.
- b) Allotment rents: currently £14.00 for half a plot and £25.00 for a whole plot, members RESOLVED that rent should be increased to £17.00 for a half plot and £30.00 for a whole

plot, from the next renewal date. This was PROPOSED by Cllr Bawden, SECONDED by Cllr Goodchild, with all in favour. Members also RESOLVED that the deposit should be increased from £50.00 to £60.00. This was PROPOSED by Cllr Harding, SECONDED by Cllr Healy, with all in favour.

8.10pm. Cllr Powell Evans attended.

- c) Resurfacing pavilion approach road and car park: The Clerk tabled a quotation from Simon James, to fill in all pot holes with compacted road plainings, for a cost of £560.00 plus VAT. It was agreed that the Parish Council should pay their part, but that the other users (the Sports Club and adjoining residents) should also contribute. The Clerk would establish how this had been handled before and members RESOLVED that this quotation should be accepted, provided that that Parish Council's share of the total cost was no more than £200.00. This was PROPOSED by Cllr Harding, SECONDED by Cllr Goodchild, with all in favour. *Cllr Bawden and Cllr Powell Evans declared an interest and abstained from the vote.*
- d) *Hurtwood Control:* A grant of £250.00 was PROPOSED by Cllr Bawden, SECONDED by Cllr Healy, with all in favour.
- e) *Community Grant:* Cllr Povey's grants for the following projects was gratefully acknowledged and the Clerk asked to write a letter of thanks: £1,000 to Wonersh Village Gateways; £1,000 to Wonersh playground equipment and £1,000 for Blackheath traffic calming.

09/44 Annual Assembly Arrangements

- Nick Morrice, who used to be involved in Transition Godalming, would come to talk about transition villages and what this parish can do.
- Lyndon Capewell from Waverley would attend with a colleague, bringing a stand and leaflets. Other stands would include: long life light bulb and allotments. Wonersh garden club would advise whether they would attend.
- Cllr Bawden has written a piece for the parish magazines.
- Cllr Howard would provide a list of organizations in Shamley Green and Cllr Powell Evans will provide a list of organizations in Wonersh and Blackheath. The Clerk will then send a letter advising them of the Annual Assembly and inviting them to attend.
- Posters will be displayed.
- Cllrs will provide a plate of food each, the Clerk will organize the wine and soft drinks.

09/45 Trustee for Wonersh United Charities

Brian Ives has moved to Bramley and is therefore no longer eligible. Cllr Morris nominated Graham Kendall of Greenside Cottage, Shamley Green. Mr Kendall is a JP and undertakes regular voluntary work for the Citizens Advice Bureau. This appointment was PROPOSED by Cllr Powell Evans, SECONDED by Cllr Bawden, with all in favour. Members noted that the appointment is for a four year term.

Members also noted that Cllr Harding's term as Trustee ends in July of this year.

09/46 Advice from SCAP&TC: Report from Cllr Morris

Cllr Morris reminded members that he serves on the Standards Committee of Waverley Borough Council, and a document had come before the Committee concerning councillors' involvement in Planning Applications. He had therefore asked the Monitoring Officer, Mark Hill, if he would look at this document and draw up some guidance for Parish Councils, which he had agreed to do. Cllrs Morris and Goodchild would meet with Mark Hill.

09/47 Pipe Survey under Wonersh Common

Members expressed their gratitude to Mike Hill for his summary report, which was very useful. The Clerk advised that she had now received the full report and DVD and that the intention was that

this should be circulated to Cllr Bawden, Martin Maybrey and Mike Hill, who would review it before they met with the Clerk to agree on a proposal to put to the Parish Council.

Agenda item: April meeting.

09/48 Visioning Event: Anne Bott's report

Members agreed that this was a very useful summary of the event. Cllr Powell Evans pointed out that, under 'Looking Forward' was the need to set up a working party for succession planning, but this was already in place. It was noted, however, that the current working party's remit is to encourage young people to get involved, but it did not specifically address the process of putting people in place to become councillors. The working party would look at succession planning. 'Looking Forward' also listed the review of emergency planning with WBC. Members did not recall discussing this, but noted that WBC encouraged this to be put into place.

Next stage: Cllr Morris stated that the event had focussed on successes, and the next stage would be to build on this and move forward. Members were asked to give this some thought before the next working party meeting on Thursday 2nd April at 7.30pm.

09/49 Section 9 land: response from Land Registry

The Land Registry had advised that an application for First Registration could only be entertained by them if the Parish Council was able to establish legal title to the land. Without this, someone else could claim the land at any time by producing appropriate documentation. The alternative is to apply for a Caution against First Registration, which entitles the parish council to object to any application for first registration until their claim has been considered.

The following action was agreed:

1. Cllr Harding to produce a drawing of S9 land in Shamley Green, as the only area that the Parish Council wishes to protect is the pond.
2. Cllr Harding and the Clerk would liaise over a letter to Roger Taylor, of Hedleys, requesting his help in this application.
3. A copy of the application would be sent to Lord Onslow, as a potential owner of the land in question. Cllr Harding advised that Registration for Title only came into being in 1926, and land only had to be registered from that date when it changed hands.

09/50 Shamley Green Pond

Simon James had confirmed that there was no need to use silt to bank up the sides, the plan was to retain the pond's shape whilst cleaning it up. The reeds growing in the pond might indicate that the liner was compromised, although they might be growing on the silt. There is water in the pond, so it is hoped that the liner is intact, although this cannot be established for certain until the clearing is carried out.

The Clerk had contacted two other companies for a quote, which had not yet been received. These would be circulated on receipt.

Agenda item: April meeting.

09/51 Common land: statement on its upkeep and care

The Clerk circulated a draft statement, which was noted.

Agenda item: April meeting.

09/52 Reports from Councillors

- a) *Joint Parish and Town Council meeting:* the report from Cllr Harding was noted.
- b) *SCAP&TC:* no report
- c) *Carbon neutral report:* it was noted that this was the theme of the Annual Assembly.
- d) *Village Gateways:* Cllr Powell Evans was concerned that adding the existing signs to the new ones would spoil the intended rural look, as the existing signs are very large. The following options were discussed:
 - i) Put the new gateways in a different position.

- ii) Remove the big metal sign completely and use a smaller 30mph sign. This would, however, remove the 'please drive slowly' wording, which is important as it is part of the traffic calming measures.
- iii) Re-look at the design of the wooden gateways
- iv) Move the 30mph sign around the corner. This might not be possible as it is a legal sign and would have to be discussed with SCC Highways.

Cllr Morris and Cllr Powell Evans would look at the site and report to the next meeting.

- e) *Wonersh Traffic Calming*: Cllr Powell Evans reported that 11 volunteers had undertaken speed watch training and it was hoped that this would be under way soon. SCC Highways had supplied details of white lining, and the working party would meet shortly to review this.

09/53 Correspondence

1. *Gaston Gate Burial Site*: A letter had been received from Surrey Wildlife Trust, chronicling their attempts to deal with Woodland Burials since an initial meeting with Oliver Peacock on the 13th September 2007. No further meetings had been held with the company, initially due to cancellation by Woodland Burials and subsequently because of lack of response from the company. SWT therefore decided not to be involved in the day to day management of the site and agreed that they would only become involved when they took over management of the site, either when it reached maximum capacity, or when 25 years expired. The letter, which contains additional information, was tabled at the meeting. Cllr Harding proposed that this should be drawn to Cllr Band's attention and that he should be asked to discuss this with the relevant officers at WBC. Woodland Burials had breached their planning permission, as the plots were in lines, they were too close to the road, and the hedge was not kept tidy, amongst other issues.
Action: Clerk to write to WBC Enforcement and ask if they intended to take any action following the letter from Surrey Wildlife Trust.
2. *Cranleigh Village Hospital*: would be celebrating its 150th anniversary in October. Initial ideas for this included a thanksgiving service, a competition for local schools and an exhibition of memorabilia. Ideas, suggestions, memories or memorabilia were sought from surrounding parishes.
3. *Surrey Minerals and Waste Development Framework*: invitation to comment on review of the Statement of Community Involvement by 31st March 2009. Representations were invited on what the revised SCI might be, and the existing document could be seen at www.surreycc.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste, and was also available in Surrey libraries.
4. *Dunsfold Park Appeal*: Stop Dunsfold Park New Town (SDPNT), supported by CPRE Surrey, had written to request a grant under S137 towards the legal costs of employing professional help at the appeal against Waverley's planning permission, commencing on the 10th March. Members **agreed** that they were not able to support this.

09/54 Councillors Business

- a) *Wonersh Litter Pick*: **Agenda item**: April meeting
- b) *Youth Portfolio*: **Agenda item**: April meeting.

09/55 Dates of future meetings

Planning: 19th March, 2nd April, 16th April, 30th April

Full Council: 9th April, 14th May

Annual Assembly: 23rd April at Arbutnot Hall, Shamley Green

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.33pm.