

**Nether Wallop Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30 pm
on Monday 12 January 2009 in Nether Wallop Village Hall**

950 Attendance: Cllrs Hind, Richardson, Roach, Souter, Whitaker and Young, and one member of the public.

951 Apologies for absence: TVBC Cllr Boulton, HCC Cllr Woodhall and Cllr Atkins.

952 Declaration of Councillors' Pecuniary Interests: Councillors confirmed that they had nothing to declare.

953 Planning: Cllr Whitaker reported on the following:-

- a) 08/02285 Full N, Erection of agricultural worker's building, The Stables, Salisbury Road, Lopcombe, no comment.
- b) 08/02893 Tree N, Crown lift and reduce by 20% Ash, crown lift by 15% and reduce by 20% Acadia, Sycamore, Ash and fell conifer, no comment.
- c) 08/12755, Full N, Erection of detached dwelling, land by Tiarian, Salisbury Hill, no objection

954 Points from the floor: none.

955 Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

956 Urgent Matters: none.

957 Councillors' reports:

a) **Neighbourhood Watch:** Cllr Young reported that there were no major incidents in the area. However, a vehicle had been broken into at Danebury for the first time in several months. There had been an attempt to break into a container yard in Middle Wallop. A store, was also broken into at the beginning of December and Cllr Young will enquire what the police policy is on commercial properties (**Action: Cllr Young**). A quad bike was stolen from Over Wallop.

b) **Finance:** In the absence of the Financial Officer Cllr Roach reported that the notice advertising the completion of the external audit had been placed on the parish hall noticeboard as usual on 6 December. £10,000 has been requested on the precept form returned to TVBC on 12 December. Cllr Roach also reported on the following:-

Expenditure for the month was as follows:-

Mr Pasque (groundsman)	135.00
Southern Electric	84.41
Mrs Grob (Clerk – December)	280.00
Mr Roach (Village Green tree lights)	106.14
Mr Tomlins (Village Green tree lights)	51.36
Mr Lovell (Mr Duckworth) Village Green mower servicing	<u>203.07</u>
Total expenditure	<u>859.98</u>

The expenditure for Mr Pasque and Southern Electric was retrospective and approval for this and the payment of these other amounts was proposed by the Cllr Whitaker and seconded by Cllr Souter with unanimous agreement.

Income was made up as follows:-

Grant (playground equipment)	2148.77
Tennis – December	<u>54.00</u>
Total income	<u>2202.77</u>
General Fund is represented by:-	
General Fund	7139.56
Village Green Fund	1738.48
Village Design Statement Fund	<u>332.50</u>
	<u>9210.54</u>

c) **Highways:** There was no report but Cllr Young would like to flag up a hole in the Hollom Down Road junction with the A30 (**Action: Cllr Atkins**). The Chairman remarked that The Dene is very narrow and wondered if some action could be taken to remedy this (**Action: Cllr**

Atkins).

- d) **Playing Fields:** Cllr Richardson reported that there are still two football teams booking onto the pitch. The fence between the car park and the fields has a large gap. The Chairman will source some wire that can be wrapped round (**Action: Cllr Souter**). Someone has driven round the pitches. The swings have now been reinstated although they stand some 6" higher! Congratulations were given to Cllr Hind for ensuring the completion of this repair from the manufacturer. Painting was progressing. The springers were a great success and were well used over the Christmas period.
- 958 Nether Wallop Village Hall Trust:** Cllr Richardson reported that one quote has been received regarding the painting of the village hall outside, further quotes will be sought. The ladies lavatory froze during the cold spell and the council will check there are no burst pipes.
- 959 Wallops Parish Hall:** Cllr Souter reported that that Mrs Keightley was currently preparing a bid to the Star Energy Fund for the Parish Hall. All councillors on the Wallops Parish Hall committee signed a mandate. A representative from the Big Lottery Fund will meet with some of the committee on 20 January. There would probably be a fundraising sub committee formed in early February.
- 960 Village Green:** Cllr Roach reported that Carols on the Green had been extremely successful with over 50 children attending. The collection was in excess of £400 and paid for the band and mulled wine. A donation of £60 has been made to the Wallops Social Charity. The hedges surrounding the Green have been cut and a good job done.
- 961 Correspondence:** The Chairman reported that there has been a letter from Test Valley School thanking the council for the prize. A consultation paper on communities will be circulated by the Chairman to all councillors. A HCC paper on Quality of Life in Hampshire 2008 will also be available.
- 962 Matters raised by councillors:** Cllr Richardson reported that although Salisbury District Council have discussed the proposed town at Porton in the past nothing more has been heard. Cllr Whitaker informed the meeting of the arrangements for the funeral of Mrs Walker. Cllr Young reported on the Footpaths Officer's proposal for new footpath map boards. It was agreed that one would be placed in the playing fields near the tennis court. The Countryside Access update notice would be put in the porch of the village hall.
- 963 Points from the floor:** Mrs Lovell said that the greenery along Farley Street had been cut back but there has been no move to widen the road. Mrs Lovell also enquired about the next step on affordable housing and the Chairman replied that a need has been identified. He would be in favour of an independent body taking on the task of investigating where this could be positioned.
- 964 Date of next meeting:** The Chairman concluded the meeting by paying a tribute to Mrs Jackie Walker who has died recently. She was a terrific force in the village and did an enormous amount of work on all sorts of activities to support it. She will be sadly missed. The next monthly meeting will be held on Monday 9 February 2009 at 7.30pm. The Chairman thanked all for attending and ended the meeting at 8.19pm.

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