

HERMITAGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 12TH 2010.

Present.

Ms R Cottingham
Mrs M. Goodman.
Mrs K. Willis.
Mr R Allum

Chairman
Vice-Chairman.

There were nine members of the public present including Mrs Groves and Dr Kerry, Parish Councillors excluded from the meeting because of prejudicial interest

118. Public participation.

The Planning Working Party report had been made available to Councillors and members of the public prior to the discussion.

The WP report covers objectors views.

Comments made about timing of application and of the posting of the 'orange notice'
This would be discussed after the application

Is it right that a Parish Councillor should run a campaign against a planning application in which he has a prejudicial interest using the local Post Office?

Councillors can act as individuals but the enquiry will be pursued

119. Apologies for absence.

There was an apology for absence from Mrs Cunningham

Minutes of the last meeting held on December 17th 2009

These were not available but would be at the next meeting the council on January 21st 2010

120. Planning.

Appeal.

09/02547/FULD Thistledown And The Rear Of Greywell, Tamarisk, Auld
Reekie, Laburnum Cottage And Kimberley Cottage Hampstead
Norreys Road, Hermitage. Berkshire RG18 9RS

It was proposed that the Planning Working Party report be accepted by the Council and be submitted to WBC, forming the PC objections to the proposed development.

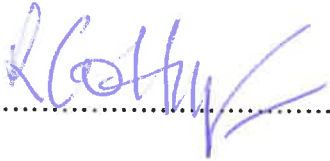
Other matters.

It was decided to ask the Clerk to the Council to write to WBC to protest the timing of this application and the delay in putting up the 'orange notice'.

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121. Date of the next meeting.

Thursday January 21st 2010 at 7.30pm in the Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church.



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Chairman

21.01.10

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Date

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Mrs M. Goodman.	Vice-Chairman.
Mrs J. Cunningham.	
Mrs F. Groves.	
Dr. M. Kerry.	
Mrs K. Willis.	
Mr C.W.Goudge	Clerk

There was one member of the public present.

118. Public participation.

The space under Chapel Row bridge now has a fence and could be used for a shelter.
The Residual Railway Board has ownership of this land and would not allow any public usage.

119. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr Allum and Mr Webb.

120. Minutes of the last meetings held on December 17th 2009 and January 12th 2010.

The minutes had been circulated.

An alteration was requested to the list of grants shown in the minutes of the December 17th meeting.

The second Pre-School grant should have been shown as Hermitage & Curridge Youth Club. With this amendment the minutes were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

121. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meetings.

Minute 107

i Parish Plan.

There has not been a meeting since the previous Council meeting. There is a constitution in draft.

122. The report of the West Berkshire Councillor.

There was an apology from Mr Webb.

123. Planning.

New planning applications.

There were no new applications.

Other matters.

- i Thistledown.
The current application was discussed. It was felt that there should have been no view expressed in the Officer's letter as to suitability if certain changes were made.
- ii Oare site.
There have been no reports of action being taken.

124. Highways.

Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on December 17th.

Minute 110.

- i Hedges.
Some trimming is still needed and it was decided to get in touch with the Downe House. The hedge at Orchard Side in Deacon's Lane still needed trimming.
- ii High Street works.
The bollards are reported as dangerous at night, It was decided to write to WBC asking for rectification of the reflective strips.
- iii Marlston Bridge.
The remaining alterations needed are ongoing.
- iv Speed survey.
It was decided to bring this to the next NAG meeting.
- v Speed roundals.
Dr Kerry's map of preferred locations was discussed, and it was decided to ask WBC to implement the roundal markings.

New matters.

- i Speed changes Order.
WBC have made a formal Order implementing the recent speed limit alterations.

125. Environment.

Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on December 17th.

Minute 111.

- i Pinewood play area.
There were no points raised about Pinewood itself, but a question was asked as to when the Forest Edge Park would be open. It was decided to investigate this.
- ii Football pitch.
No further reports.
- iii Stile.
This is ongoing.
- iv Bus stop litter bin.
WBC have been asked to move this. It was decided to place an Agenda item for the next meeting to cover possible dog bin provisions in the Parish.

New matters.

- i Parish conference dates.
These are – March 17th, May 27th, July 19th, October 5th and January 26th 2011.
- ii Christmas tree lights.
It was decided to make a provision of £120 to be available for purchasing lights.

126. Finance.

i	Receipts		
	Bank of Scotland	Interest	£0.01
	Lloyds TSB	Interest	£2.31
	Burial ground fees		£890.00
ii	Payments authorised.		
	F.C.Lawrence	Grass & shelters	£375.75
	West Berkshire Council	Dog bin emptying	£38.34
	C.W.Goudge	Salary & exes	£380.43
iii	Other matters.		
	i	The Statement of Receipts and Payments to date was noted.	
	ii	It was decided to accept the quotation for grasscutting and other works submitted by Mr F.C.Lawrence for the year April 2010 to March 2011 in the sum of £4,254.	
	iii	It was decided to pay off the remaining PWLB loan.	

127. Burial ground.**New matters.**

- i Newly consecrated ground.
It was decided to investigate the cost of putting a path across the new ground and also the feasibility of placing identifying markers on grave plots.

128. Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

Local Democracy Bill – short summary.
Barnado's- Believe in Children. Looking for a site to place a Textile Recovery Bank.
Clerks & Councils Direct – newsletter.

129. Reports from Parish Council Representatives who have attended meetings of Outside Bodies on behalf of the Council.

Mrs Cunningham and Mrs groves had attended the recent NAG meeting.
It was felt that the problem solving aspect was very effective.
The reports of local miscreants were noted.

Mrs Goodman mentioned the recent Parish Plan refresh meeting. It was decided to see if the £5,000 grant which is available for actions coming from a Plan supported by WBC was applicable to the current completed Plan.

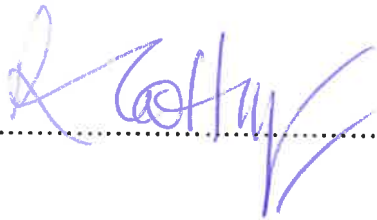
130. Items to be raised by Councillors.

Dog fouling posters are being obtained free of charge for posting in appropriate areas around the Parish.
The Village Hall has placed some posters indicating that it is illegal to park on their grass verge.
Parking outside School is getting worse. It was decided to take this up with the local Police.

It was felt that the Parish needed an Emergency Plan, and it was decided to bring this forward at the next meeting.

131. Date of the next meeting.

Thursday February 18th in the Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church.



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Chairman

16.02.10
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Date