



**Great Horwood
Parish Council**

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Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on
13th July 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Great Horwood.

Present: Cllr John Scholtens (JS) (Chairman), Cllr John Gilbey (JWG) (Vice Chairman), Cllr Angela Mayne (AM), Cllr Mary Saunders (MS), Cllr Jane Holland (JH), Cllr John Gunn (JAG), Cllr John Huskinson (JRH), Karen Francis (Clerk), 5 members of the public

1. To receive apologies for absence
All Councillors were present.
2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th June 2015
No amendments were made.
3. To receive declarations of interest
None were received.
4. To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting
 - Thanks went to Mick Wood and Duncan Trigg for taking over the responsibility of moving the MVAS.
 - A grass cutting contractor has been appointed at Horwode Pece and all is going well.
 - The planters need some maintenance. JS has cleared around the one on the Singleborough Road and JH has been looking after the one on the Little Horwood Road but the other three need attention.
 - Hedges on The Green have been cut. This was carried out by JS and JH.
 - The NPT email account still needs to be closed.
 - A letter was sent to the owner of the old mill next to Horwode Pece but no response has been received.
5. Public Participation Period
Mick Wood gave an update on the MVAS. He and Duncan Trigg have been moving it between sites in order to collect data which can be analysed meaningfully. He has also spoken to TVP who will consider siting Traffic Officers in sites that have a specific problem. Data will continue to be collected over the next few weeks and an update will be given at the next meeting.

A problem had been highlighted where the grass cutting teams had damaged the fixing for the MVAS in Little Horwood Road. It was suggested a permanent pole could be installed in order to stop this happening and the Clerk will investigate the cost.
6. Planning Issues
 - 6.1. Councillors were provided with an updated Planning Report which was ratified at the meeting. Eleven new applications had been received and one application had been determined. The planning report is attached to and forms part of these minutes.

JS was asked what was happening with the two large planning applications and he agreed to contact AVDC in order to ask for an update.

Planning Application 15/02233/APP – Nash Park – was discussed. After discussion it was agreed the PC would object to it, JS would draft an objection letter and circulate it among Councillors for comments.
7. Report from the Recreation Committee
 - No report had been received so JH gave a short update of the meetings she had attended. The Recreation Committee had decided to purchase monkey bars with the reserves ring-fenced by the Parish Council.
8. Footpaths Report
Robert Deuchar has pruned the Parish's footpaths and is not aware of any problems.
9. Report from the NBPPC Meeting held on 10th June
MS attended this meeting and a short update was given.

10. Report from the LAF Meeting held on 17th June

JWG and JG attended. Some members of the GH&S Youth Club attended as a grant was being made to the Club to the value of £2000. The Sentinel Speed Camera Device was also discussed and the Transport Committee gave details of a small budget available for road repairs for minor roads.

11. Report from the Plunkett Workshop

JH attended this workshop and explained how useful it was as it demonstrated how the Plunkett Foundation can help many different projects and how a village community needs to be engaged. Her conclusion was that she wanted to make the village a more vibrant place by increasing the number of community events.

12. Parish Plan 2016

JS, JRH and David Saunders met to assess the Parish Plan from 2006 and therefore what was required for the Parish Plan 2016. Work is ongoing with the revision of the Action Plan from 2010, where they identified what actions had been achieved, which had been parked and what was needed in the future.

JWG suggested that JH's comments on a Community Shop were incorporated into the Action Plan.

13. Digital Communication

Since the last meeting a number of emails had been circulated regarding a new website. It was agreed that the way forward was to improve the current website rather than build a new one, and that contributors to the site should be asked to provide the information to update their areas. JWG asked for any suggestions for improvement to be sent to him and he would see if they could be incorporated.

14. Future Community Events for promoting the Village

JH suggested that there could be a number of events held within the village to improve the vibrancy and spirit of the community. Examples given were Bonfire night celebrations or a big event every few years. This was discussed and JH will explore this further.

15. Great Horwood Feast

The Clerk requested two volunteers for when the fair comes to the Village to put notices on cars and to collect the rent. AM agreed to put the notices on cars and JH will collect the rent cheque.

16. Online Banking Forms

These were completed in the meeting and returned to the Clerk.

17. To agree items for payment

- Horwode Pece Grass Cutting – BACS - £210.00
- Clerk's Expenses – BACS - £129.96
- Horwode Pece Expenses – BACS - £14.98

Cllrs Mayne and Gilbey agreed to authorise the payments.

18. To received and note correspondence

- JRH was given his ticket for the Councillor Induction course.
- An invitation for a planning training seminar on 17th Sep had been received. JH will attend.

19. Items for the next meeting

No additional items were raised. The Clerk gave JS formal notice of her resignation with effect from September 2015. After discussion it was agreed the Clerk, AM and JWG would work together to advertise the vacancy, agree the job description and carry out interviews as JS would be unavailable for the following 6 weeks.

20. Confirmation of date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 14th September at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.26pm.

Signed _____

Date _____

Planning Committee Report - for meeting on 13th July 2015

Below are current and recent Planning Applications. The Parish Council is invited to ratify the comments made to AVDC on behalf of the Planning Committee since the last meeting.

CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Date Received	Application Number	Applicant	Site Address	Details of Application	Parish Council Response	AVDC Decision
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Determined

27/04/2015	15/01269/APP	Mr A Clark	Land between Six Lords and Fair Lorna Cottage	Erection of agricultural storage barn/livestock shelter and alteration to existing access.	No Objection	Approved
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Pending

24/04/2014	14/01047/ATC	Mr P Morris	Mulberry Cottage	Pollarding of two large Acer Saccharinum trees on side of boundary of site	No Objection	
29/08/2014	14/02414/AOP	Talbot Homes	Land at Willow Road	Outline application with access to be considered and all other matters reserved for the erection of up to 34 dwellings including associated infrastructure and work.	Objection	
25/09/2014	14/01540/APP (Revised)	Taylor Wimpey	Land off Weston Road	The erection of 42 no. residential dwellings together with associated access, car parking, landscaping and open space provision.	Objection	
15/04/2015	15/00950/APP	Mr S Hole	Cross Roads Kennels	Erection of two blocks of replacement kennels and part demolition of existing kennels.	No Objection	
15/04/2015	15/01146/APP	Mr & Mrs Ledger	Candleford, Singleborough	Conversion of Garage to Annexe (amendment to planning permission 13/03182/APP - single storey rear extension to existing detached annex and part conversion back to garage and alterations to the roof)	No Objection	
29/04/2015	15/00038/REF	Ms M McArthy	Land Off Little Horwood Road Nash Buckinghamshire	Change of use of land to residential use for one static caravan , one touring caravan and car parking for Gypsy family	Objection	
10/06/2015	15/01766/APP	Mr B Reddrop	Sunnyhill Farm, Little Horwood Road	Variation of Condition 6 of planning permission 04/01015/APP to retain part of the original property	Objection	
10/06/2015	15/01205/ALB	Charles Wells Pub Company	Swan PH, Great Horwood	Installation of extraction system; erection of a timber store/housing for LPG tanks/internal alterations.	No objection	
15/06/2015	15/01875/COUOR	Mr H Elliott	Spring Cottage, 28 Spring Lane	Determination as to whether prior approval is required in respect of transport & highway impact, contamination risk and flooding for the conversion of existing B1(a) offices to form one dwellinghouse (C3).	Objection	
15/06/2015	15/01781/APP	Mr R Edmans	17 Little Horwood Road	Erection of a detached single storey garden office outbuilding.	No objection	

16/06/2015	15/01778/APP	Mr & Mrs J West	The Grange, 2 Winslow Road	Demolition of outbuildings, construction of new dwelling with attached garage and associated external works: Reinstatement of original front entrance door opening, replacement pitched roof on single storey rear extension and replacement of defective windows on rear wall of two storey extension at The Grange: New detached garage for The Grange	No objection
16/06/2015	15/01779/ALB	Mr & Mrs J West	The Grange, 2 Winslow Road	Demolition of outbuildings, construction of new dwelling with attached garage and associated external works: Reinstatement of original front entrance door opening, replacement pitched roof on single storey rear extension and replacement of defective windows on rear wall of two storey extension at The Grange: New detached garage for The Grange	No objection
19/06/2015	15/02013/APP	Mr & Mrs Goss	Tythe House, Little Horwood Road	Single storey front extension, construction of gable dormer windows to north roof slope and insertion of new doors and windows.	No objection
06/07/2015	15/02174/APP	Med Det Dogs	Millfield, 4 Greenway Business Pk	Erection of temporary additional office accommodation with access ramp	
06/07/2015	15/02265/ATC	Mr Guy Revis	Dorney Cottage	Remove one Silver birch and two Hawthorn trees on rear boundary	
07/07/2015	15/02233/APP	Mrs Carmel Williams	Land opposite Causter Farm	Removal of Condition 2 on planning application ref 10/00680/APP allowed on appeal with ref APP/J0405/C/11/2148933 and APP/J0405/A/11/2148930 to allow permanent occupation of the mobile homes on site	
08/07/2015	15/00060/REF	Mr & Mrs Wootton	9 Little Horwood Road	Erection of three detached dwellings with associated parking	

Notes to the above:

The hearing date for appeal 15/00038/REF is 19th August 2015 at 10am. This appeal relates to planning application 14/00107/APP which the PC objected to.