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Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on
11th June 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Great Horwood.

Present: Cllr John Gilbey (Chairman), Cllr John Scholtens, Cllr Russell Margerrison, Cllr Angela Mayne,
Cllr Valerie Porritt, Karen Francis (Clerk)
1 member of the public

1. To receive apologies for absence
Cllr Bennett-Coles gave apologies due to work commitments while Cllr Lamberton gave apologies due to holiday commitments.
2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th May 2012
These were approved without modification.
3. To receive declarations of interest
No declarations of interest were received.
4. To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting
 - Speedwatch – Cllrs Mayne and Porritt attended the last NAG meeting where speedwatch was discussed. It was agreed amongst the councillors that the local police office needed to be contacted to obtain further information and that it would be beneficial to put a note in Focus looking for volunteers. Cllr Porritt agreed to write the note.
 - Public Consultation – This will be held in the village hall on Saturday 16th June to provide information about a proposed development at the back of 12 High Street.
 - Paving The Green – Cllr Bennett-Coles is unable to find a contractor who can carry out this work. Cllr Mayne agreed to take this forward by asking another possible contractor.
 - RoSPA – it is unknown whether the playground inspection has taken place.
 - Insurance – this has now been changed to Zurich.
 - Bollards on The Green – no update.
 - Sundial – this was removed to make way for the marquees for the Diamond Jubilee party. It is currently being stored in the Village Hall.
 - Water Butts at the allotments – no update.
 - Landowners in Singleborough Lane – the Local Area Technician has asked for information on the landowners so that grips can be cut into the verges in order to reduce the flooding in Singleborough Lane.
5. Public Participation Period
Lawrence Renshell passed on his congratulations to the Diamond Jubilee committee for the excellent street party on Monday 4th July.
6. Planning Issues
 - 6.1. Cllr Gilbey provided Councillors with an updated Planning Report which was ratified at the meeting. One new decision and three new applications had been received, and the planning report is attached to and forms part of these minutes.
 - 6.2. The Clerk has obtained some informal accountancy advice which would indicate that any transfer of land between the Parish Council and the Recreation Charity would need to be done at market value as the parties are connected. She has contacted the legal team at BCC to see whether something else can be done and is awaiting a response.
 - 6.3. No update has been provided.
7. Report from the Recreation Committee
No update was provided.
8. Neighbourhood Planning Team Update
A report had been circulated prior to the meeting to Councillors. The consultation process has begun to advise all potential stakeholders of the intention to produce a neighbourhood plan. A draft vision and objectives have also been produced and is awaiting comments from the Neighbourhood Planning Team before it is circulated more widely for comment.

9. Footpaths Report

Robert Deuchar provided the following report:

All the Parish's footpaths were checked in mid May and a couple of wobbly stiles will be followed up.

10. Feedback on Diamond Jubilee celebrations

Cllr Gilbey gave a short resume of the celebrations. All went according to plan and the weather was kind. Money had been provided from the Lord of the Manor and some local businesses so thanks went to them. There is a small amount of money left which will go towards a pull-out colour spread in Focus next month. It was agreed the Clerk would write to the Diamond Jubilee Committee thanking them for their efforts.

11. Approval of Annual Accounts

Prior to the meeting the summary of accounts and annual return was submitted to Councillors. It had been asked that any questions were raised prior to the meeting and none were received. Therefore it was agreed the annual return would be signed and submitted to the external auditors. The Clerk would also write to Claire Black thanking her for her voluntary contribution as the internal auditor.

12. Receipts

- St James PCC (contribution to mower) £172.91
- Diamond Jubilee Contribution £50.00

13. Items already Paid

- Action 4 Youth (Diamond Jubilee) £60.00
- Graham Churchill (Diamond Jubilee) £150.00
- Home Counties Portaloo Hire (Diamond Jubilee) £192.00
- Shooting Stars (Diamond Jubilee) £276.00
- Festival Hire Ltd (Diamond Jubilee) £763.32
- The Cantells (Diamond Jubilee) £375.00
- Simon Jones – Simon Says (Diamond Jubilee) £120.00
- Yasmin Seddon (Diamond Jubilee) £137.30
- Bizzell Enterprises (Diamond Jubilee) £275.00
- Paul Robertson (Diamond Jubilee) 75.00

14. Payments

- Zurich – Parish Council Insurance £1515.39
- John Gilbey (Diamond Jubilee) £54.00
- NBPPC Subscription £20.00
- BCC – Jubilee Bunting £275.40
- Colin Beckett – Bus Shelter £4200.00
- Sally Elvin (Diamond Jubilee) £200.00

15. To receive and note correspondence

- An email had been received from the Terkelsen family who was concerned that it may be thought they had claimed a prominent landmark (the tree on The Green) as their own after putting a sign at the bottom of the tree. The Clerk had written back confirming that the Terkelsen family and friends had donated the tree in memory of Toby and that this had been minuted in October, November and December in 2010. The Parish Council were happy that the wooden sign at the bottom of the tree was appropriate and all was above board.

16. Items for the next meeting

- Bollard on The Green
- Sundial
- Paving of The Green

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 9th July 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

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Planning Committee Report - for meeting on 11th June 2012

- The customary listing of current and recent Planning Applications follows. 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

14.05.12	12/00850/ AGN	Mr Clark	Land between Six Lords and Fair Lorna Cottage	Erection of agricultural storage building	No Objection	Planning Permission not required
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Pending

26.01.12	12/00084/ APP	Mr Khorrooshi	Parcel 5600, Pilch Lane	Installation of solar system	No Objection
29.03.12	12/00351/ APP	Mr & Mrs Latham	2 School End	Demolition of WW2 huts and chicken barn. Erection of detached two storey dwelling with double garage	Objection
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17.05.12	12/00993/ APP	Mr & Mrs Waddington	51 Greenway	Erection of detached dwelling	Objection
17.05.12	12/01025/ ATC	Mr Barfoot	1 School End	Fell no2 Horsechestnut	Objection
30.05.12	12/01168/ ACL	Mr Turburville	Fincorrie Farm	Certificate for an existing use of dwelling without compliance with Condition 4 of planning permission 93/00078/AOP relating to agricultural occupancy	Objection