

Great Horwood Parish Council

GREAT HORWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11th May 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs J. Gilbey (Chairman) R. Moulding (Vice Chairman) M. Brocklehurst, J Samways, I Lamberton, M. Berrill.

Mr. D. Trigg (Clerk)

In attendance: 6 members of the public.

1 To receive apologies for absence. None

2 To elect the Chairman of the Council for 2009-2010

Cllr Gilbey was proposed by Cllr Brocklehurst and seconded by Cllr Samways. Unanimously elected.

3 To receive the Chairman's declaration of acceptance of office.

Cllr Gilbey confirmed his acceptance of the appointment.

4 To elect a Vice-Chairman of the Council.

Cllr Moulding proposed by Cllr Brocklehurst and seconded by Cllr Gilbey. Unanimously elected.

- 5 To appoint representatives to outside bodies:
 - 5.1 1 or more to Buckinghamshire County Council Winslow Local Area Forum. Cllr. Gilbey
 - 5.2 1 or more to Aylesbury Vale District Council Local Council Planning Liaison Group Cllr. Moulding
 - **1 or more to North Bucks Parishes Planning Consortium** Cllrs. Gilbey & Moulding
 - 5.4 1 or more to Buckingham North Neighbourhood Action Group Cllr. Gilbey
 - 5.5 1 to Bucks Community Action (for liaison) Cllr. Moulding
 - 5.6 1 to Bucks Association of Local Councils Cllr. Gilbey
 - 5.7 1 to Aylesbury Vale Association of Local Councils Cllr. Gilbey
 - 5.8 1 to Aylesbury Vale North Sports Council Cllr. Brocklehurst
 - 5.9 1 to Bucks Playing Fields Association None
 - 5.10 Village Hall Committee Cllr. Gilbey (ex-officio as Chairman of the Council), Cllr Berrill and Cllr. Lamberton

It was agreed that if the appointed representative cannot attend a meeting they will email all other Clirs to arrange a substitute.

- 6 To appoint members of Committees of the Council:
 - 6.1 2 Members to the Planning Committee

Cllr Brocklehurst and Cllr Lamberton. Unanimously elected.

It was agreed that all members of the Council will be informed by the Clerk by email of all new planning applications received.

6.2 2 Members to the Recreation Committee.

Cllr Samways and Cllr Brocklehurst. Unanimously elected.

- 7 To agree the payment of annual subscriptions to BALC, AVALC, BCA, NBPPC, AVNSC, BPFA. All agreed.
- 8 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 6 April 2009

Agreed

9 To receive declarations of interest

Cllr Gilbey as Chairman of the trustees of the Winslow and District Community Bus declared and interest in item 12.1

10 To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting.

Cllr. Moulding reported that he together with Cllr Brocklehurst and Monica Jones had attended a meeting on the proposed Whaddon Chase Community Green Infrastructure Plan. This plan would consider such issues as the provision of footpaths, bridleways and cycleways, playing fields, parks and nature reserves; orchards, allotments and cemeteries; woodlands and meadows. The project was being co-ordinated by BCA under the auspices of BCC with assistance from experts from Bedfordshire. 3 workshops would be held in the locality with one on the 4th July in Great Horwood Village Hall. The other Councillors all agreed that we should remain involved in the project to see how it developed and to ensure we have our say.

11 Public Participation Period.

A resident reported that the street light outside No 8 the Green is not working. Clerk to report this.

A question was asked about when the accounts for year ending March 31st 2009 will be available. The Chairman advised that they would be presented for approval at the June meeting of the Council.

12 To agree budgeted payments:

12.1 Winslow Community Bus: £250

12.2 Great Horwood Silver Band: £250

12.3 Focus: £100

Proposed by Cllr Brocklehurst and seconded by Cllr Berrill

Unanimously approved

13 To consider and, if thought fit, accept the quotation from Robert Tuckwell of £600 for clearing the Willow Road site in preparation for the conversion to allotments. (Total budget = £1,000)

Unanimously approved. The Clerk to arrange work.

The Clerk to contact the occupants of 13 Willow Road re garden area apparently taken over by them into the old recreation area.

14 To receive a report on the Annual Parish Meeting held on 30 April 2009 (Cllr Gilbey).

Cllr Gilbey reported that he thought the meeting had been successful with 17 speakers reporting on the activities and plans of 20 different village organisations. The cheques from D. jack Smith had also been presented by Sandra Birrell at the meeting to Cllr. Brocklehurst on behalf of the Great Horwood and Singleborough Recreation Trust and to Eddie Collins on behalf of the Great Horwood Football Club.

15 To receive and consider reports from Committees of Council:

15.1 Planning Committee (Cllr Gilbey) Report attached

15.2 Recreation Committee (Cllr Brocklehurst).

Cllr. Brocklehurst reported that the donation from D Jack Smith would be used to purchase a piece of play equipment known as a Navigator.

All arrangements are in place for the official opening on 17th May.

A schedule of weekly inspections of the play equipment has been set up and a report will be provided at each Parish Council meeting to ensure that everything is in order.

To receive and consider a report from the working party concerning the replacement of the tree on The Green (Cllrs Berrill and Lamberton)

The Council approved an estimate of £350 for the removal of the existing dead tree. The final decision on the replacement tree will be made by the September meeting for planting in November.

17 To appoint 2 Trustees of the Great Horwood and Singleborough Recreation Trust (Cllr Brocklehurst) (previously circulated note refers)

Cllr Brocklehurst explained that the 2 non Parish Councillor existing trustees Jeannie Marshall and Steve Brigden are happy to continue for the another 4 year term. Cllr Brocklehurst proposed them and Cllr Moulding seconded them. Unanimously approved.

- 18 To agree items for payment:
 - 18.1 Clerk's remuneration S/Order: £175.00 May 2009
 - 18.2 Kompan (Horwode Pece play equipment): £52,494.34
 - 18.3 E-On (electricity): £73.31
 - 18.4 Cheques paid out at Annual Parish Meeting from the Lord of the Manor's donation: Toddler Group £100.00, Great Horwood Football Club£1000.00, Great Horwood and Singleborough Recreation Trust £2248.93 (see Item 19.4 below)
 - 18.5 Insurance Allianz £1205.27 added at the meeting. All agreed
- 19 To note receipts:
 - 19.1 AVDC: Precept: £8,500.00
 - 19.2 WREN: Grants for Horwode Pece £4,435.00 and £42,500.00
 - 19.3 AVDC: Grants for Horwode Pece £500.00 and £4,500.00
 - 19.4 D Jack Smith (Lord of the Manor): Village donation: \$5000.00 (£3348.93) (routed through the Council's account for convenience) All agreed
- 20 To receive and note correspondence. Various items distributed to appropriate Cllrs.
- 21 Items for the next meeting. Approval of the accounts

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 8 June 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

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Signed Chairman	Date