

**OWSLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
11th FEBRUARY 2008
AT 7.45 PM IN OWSLEBURY PARISH HALL**

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mr A Manship

Councillors: Mr J Chapman, Mrs J Chase, Mrs T Meads, Mr R Page, Mr G Tull.

IN ATTENDANCE

County Councillor: Mr P Mason

P C Charlie Farley

PCSO Matt Kerr

Clerk: Mrs E Manship

21/08 APOLOGIES

District Councillors: Mr L Ruffell, Mr R Humby

Councillor: Mr R O'Neill

22/08 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Chapman as a member of Owslebury Parish Council. Cllr Chapman signed the "Declaration of Acceptance of Office".

23/08 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Cllr T Meads disclosed a preferential interest as a neighbour to Dundee Down Farm – agenda item 11a

24/08 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2008 had been circulated. The Chairman signed the minutes.

25/08 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) To liaise with Miranda Sprot and Speakers for VDS meeting – AM

Cllr Manship reported he is waiting for Carol Horrall, Chair of Sparsholt Parish Council to confirm one of two provisional dates, 3rd or 17th March. The speaker from Newbury has confirmed she is unable to attend.

b) WCC working with Parishes – Meeting with Cllr Becket – 22nd January – Feedback – J Chase and A Manship

Much time was spent talking about 'why they were there'. Working with Parishes was left to the end. 20 of 48 Parishes were represented. Cllr Becket handled the meeting well. He seemed genuinely interested in people's views. Issues that were raised included:

- why have a meeting about a meeting
- public transport
- refuse collections

WCC confirmed they are willing to subsidize buses but not in lieu of cuts from the HCC budget.

c) Hedges Blitz

- Cllr Tull reported that his discussion with the landowner at the Old Forge was on going. Regarding his own hedge at the top of Crabbes Hill, this was also ongoing.
- Cllr Manship reported that the landowner in Whites Hill had cut his hedge and Hampshire Highways had cut the hedge in Portsmouth Road.

Action	By When	By Whom
• To cut the hedge at the top of Crabbes Hill so that the 30mph sign can be seen.	29/02/08	GT

d) Parish Partnership Forum – 29th January 2008 – Feedback – GT

Cllr Tull confirmed he did not attend.

e) Winchester District Development Framework – Core Strategy – Issues and Options Meeting – 17th & 24th January – Feedback – TM / J Chapman

The strategic document is available on the web and has been circulated through the correspondence file. Cllr Meads reported the Winchester meeting was orientated towards Winchester City. 5,500 new homes are required in the Winchester area. Participating in discussion with residents of South Wonston, they reported they would like small-scale housing to enlarge their community and sustain their shop etc. Cllr Meads reported her concerns regarding commuters increasingly cutting through the village.

Cllr Chapman attended the Wickham Meeting. He reported that the number of houses in Wickham was due to double. The area outlined is currently used as allotments; one owned by a Trust the other by the Parish Council. The Parish Council have said that they will not sell but the Trust has indicated that they may sell. 99% of attendees were negative and upset regarding the issues. He did not feel there was a direct affect on Owslebury as we are not in the PUSH area; however transport links and commuter traffic were again raised as concerns.

Cllr Manship attended the 'Future Housing Meeting with WCC in Bishops Waltham on 5th February. He reported that 1000 additional houses are planned for Bishops Waltham. The main area for development is the fields and allotments on the South side of the town. The question was asked whether the 70 houses identified for Dukes Mill and 50 on the Pizza Bar site would be deducted from the 1000. The answer was no. There is a requirement for 1000 additional houses.

Action	By When	By Whom
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllrs Meads and Chapman to e-mail thoughts to Cllr Manship who will respond to the consultation on behalf of the PC. • Implications of development within the PUSH area must be considered by the VDS working party. 	14/02/08	CM/JC/AM

f) Bus Route

Cllr Chase reported that she had been informed that the 6pm bus had again been seen driving down Whaddon Lane. Cllr Manship reported that further to this being mentioned to the Bus Company the Bus Inspector had visited the village and on the day of his visit the bus definitely did not go down Whaddon Lane. If there were further observations, dates and times are required to take this further.

g) Parish Partnership Forum – 29th January 2008 – Feedback – RP

Cllr Page reported on the meeting. Much of the presentation and discussion was around beat patrols, which the Police are hoping to increase with the support of the PCSO's. Working towards being better known in the community. The Police also explained the time and resources that have been directed towards the murder investigation in Brambridge, which is ongoing.

26/08 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

a) Beech House

Mr Davies presented draft plans for an extension to his chalet bungalow. In affect to make the 'chalet' part of the dwelling into a 1st floor, changing the property from a chalet bungalow, to a house.

27/08 COUNTY AND CITY COUNCILLORS AND POLICE CONSTABLE REPORTS

a) Buses

Cllr Mason reported that the buses were subsidised and that further cuts could be expected.

b) Housing Development

As Owslebury is not 'sustainable' there are no plans for development within Owslebury. Both Wickham and Bishops Waltham are sustainable. Whitely are interested in more development as this would support their request for the Whitely Way to be opened and the Botley By-Pass.

c) Police Constable Report

PC Charlie Farley reported that 3 crimes had been reported in the past month. An assault/skirmish between two people and two thefts, one from a caravan and the other tiles in Hensting Lane.

PC Farley briefed the Council regarding the recent allocation of beat areas. Led by Sgt Andy Heward the Meon Valley Neighbourhoods Team comprises 4 PC's and 4 PCSO's. PC Charlie Farley with PCSO Matt Kerr and PCSO Ralph Akehurst are responsible for the 'Owslebury and Upham beat' and the 'Bishops Waltham town

beat'. In practice it is hoped this will enable them to spend more time in these areas, though still taking on work in other beats when required. PCSO Matt Kerr will attend Parish Council meetings and keep Owslebury Neighbourhood Watch up-to-date with information as useful and relevant.

PC Charlie Farley requested that if anybody sees anything unusual or suspicious e.g. cars parked unusually etc. that this is reported to the Police as little pieces of information can make up a whole picture. P C Farley confirmed the easiest and most direct way to report information was by their e-mail link on the Parish and Community Website www.owslebury.org.uk

Everyone is warned to be careful as this time of year garden machinery left out of sheds is particularly vulnerable.

PCSO Matt Kerr talked through an information book that he is putting together. He would be pleased to receive names and telephone numbers from the Clerk of trustworthy individuals, well known in the village, who he could contact to distribute information within the village.

28/08 HIGHWAYS

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

a) **Feedback from Mark Oaten re: Sat Nav's and HGV's – AM**

Cllr Manship reported on the findings of Julia Harkness, PA to Mark Oaten MP. She confirms that the only legislation regarding sat navs was passed in 1989/90, which mainly encouraged the development of the technology. Since then a consultation group in 2006/07 has been looking at all the issues but they are as yet to report their findings. Currently it is down to the sat nav providers to make changes as problems occur. The two main providers are Teletlas and Naptech. She confirms they are aware of the problems surrounding HGV's are beginning to provide information such as bridge heights and road widths. For specific problems she also suggests applying for a Traffic Regulation Order.

Action	By When	By Whom
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To apply for a Traffic Regulation Order To contact Sat Nav providers to raise issues relating to HGV's using narrow lanes within the Parish of Owslebury 	10/03/08 10/03/08	Clerk Clerk

b) **To discuss lorry stuck in Whites Hill with Corinne Hollis – AM**

Cllr Manship reported that Corinne Hollis had agreed to visit the site and assess the best way forward. She will more than likely arrange for the installation of a no HGV sign at the bottom of Whites Hill.

To meet with Chris Wilson re: next stage to kerbing project – AM

Cllr Manship reported that he had arranged to meet with Chris Wilson in Owslebury on Tuesday 13th February to discuss the way forward.

Any General Matters:

c) **Owslebury School Travel Plan**

Cllr Meads reported that Owslebury School is hoping to put together a School Travel Plan. To do this they need to get together a working party made up of people from parents, governors and villagers. Anyone interested in helping with this should contact Mr White at the school as soon as possible. Major concerns from villagers and parents include the speed and volume of traffic, the safety of pedestrians and parking in Beech Grove.

Action	By When	By Whom
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To place information and request for support in the Owslebury Newsletter. 	10/03/08	Clerk

d) **Pot Holes**

Cllr Chapman reported the pothole in Hurst Lane. The Clerk confirmed she had reported this but it may help if he reported this as well as a parishioner.

e) Road Signs

Cllr Meads reported that the sign opposite the zoo had been partially knocked over. Cllr Manship reported that the restricted access sign at the Morestead end of Hensting Lane had been knocked over and the 'flooding' sign on the C9 near Hensting Lane had been partially knocked over.

Action	By When	By Whom
• To report to Hampshire Highways	10/03/08	Clerk

f) Hensting Lane

Cllr Tull reported that the condition of Hensting Lane was unsatisfactory. Potholes large enough to cut tyres; a manhole cover sticking up etc. The Chairman requested that Cllr Tull reported the faults to Hampshire Highways direct through the website.

29/08 RIGHTS OF WAY

a) Definitive Map Modification Order 2005 – Footpath / Bridleway 46 Confirmation

The following Order came into force on 14 December 2007: A 3.6 metre bridleway commencing at Whaddon Lane and running in a south-westerly direction between residential properties across open farmland on a path with a metalled surface to the beginning of Horsham Copse. Bridleway 503 continues in a westerly direction around the northern side of Horsham Copse to join Bridleway 18. Footpath 46 runs through Horsham Copse between Bridleway 46 and Bridleway 18.

b) Footpath 2

Cllr Manship reported that the styles on footpath 2 are in poor condition and they have been reported to Rights of Way. Cllr Tull confirmed the land belonged to Hazeley Estates.

Action	By When	By Whom
• Cllr Tull to e-mail a contact at Hazeley Estates to the Clerk so that Cllr Manship can contact them direct.	10/03/08	GT

c) Bridleway 27

Cllr Manship confirmed the broken fingerpost at the north end of Bridleway 27 had been reported to Rights of Way

30/08 PARISH NOTICEBOARD DAMAGE REPORT

The clerk reported that the noticeboard outside the village hall had been vandalised, she believed on a Saturday night a couple of weeks ago. Two new doors have been ordered. This will result in an insurance claim.

31/08 RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NEW COUNCILLORS

In line with Cllr Chapman's areas of interest he agreed to join the VDS working party alongside Cllrs Meads and Page. Also to take a lead in 'communication with parishioners' to include improving the website as a communication tool and considering best communication with parishioners who do not currently take the Newsletter or use the Parish Council and Community Website.

32/08 PLANNING

a) To discuss planning applications

08/00134/APN:	Hensting Farm, Hensting Lane, Fishers Pond, SO50 7HH
Proposal:	Hay barn and feed store
Closing Date:	Thursday 21st February 2008

PC Comment: Concern regarding affect on Bridleway – right of way. This application may benefit from landscaping.

08/00096/FUL:	The Manor, Jackmans Hill, Morestead. SO21 1LZ
Proposal:	Erection of a tennis court with associated fencing
Closing Date:	Thursday 14th February 2008

PC Comment: No comment.

07/03177/FUL:	Dundee Down Farm, Whaddon Lane, Owslebury
Proposal:	Track and hardstanding to access barn (Retrospective)
Closing Date:	Thursday 14th February 2008

PC Comment: The Council has concerns regarding road safety in relation to the siting of the entrance onto Whaddon Lane. Had this not been a retrospective application the Council would have objected to it. Planning is indicated alongside the track. The landowner stated this is almost finished. The Council would like to see substantial planting to fully landscape the track. The Council is concerned regarding the amount of hardstanding around the shed and requests that future barns, should they be requested by APN, are not agreed too as this would cause over intensification of the site and cause serious road safety issues at the entrance onto Whaddon Lane. The Council noted that the fires had ceased on the site but continued and would ask that these stop in line with environmental legislation as they cause a nuisance to neighbours and a danger to traffic driving along Whaddon Lane.

08/00097/LDC:	Land Adjacent To Warren Lane (track) On Longwood Warren, Petersfield Road, Cheesefoot Head, Hampshire
Proposal:	Continued use of land for model aircraft; use of steel container and mobile home to house ancillary equipment; vehicular access from Warren Lane
Closing Date:	Monday 3rd March 2008

PC Comment: No comment

b) To hear planning decisions:

07/02791/FUL:	Hurst Cottage, Hurst Lane, Owslebury. SO21 1JQ
Proposal:	Demolition of existing garage and erection of new timber frame/oak clad garage, demolition and extension of boundary wall and reposition of oil tank
Decision	Application Permitted with Conditions.

07/02838/LIS:	Barn 50m SE Of Farmhouse, Hensting Farm, Hensting Lane, Fishers Pond
Proposal:	Repair Rafters, Wall Plate and Purlin
Decision	Application Permitted

07/02867/FUL:	Field Adjacent to Whiteflood Farm, Belmore Lane, Owslebury
Proposal:	Erection of Stable with Hay Store/Tack Room (Resubmission)
Decision	Application Permitted with Conditions

07/022/07/REM:	Pitcot House, Pitcot Lane, Owslebury. SO21 1LR
Proposal:	Detached four bed dwelling (details in compliance with 06/01846/OUT)
Decision	Application Permitted with Conditions

07/02532/FUL:	Greenhill Farm, Baybridge Lane, Owslebury. SO21 1JN
Proposal:	Demolition of existing dwelling, residential annex and commercial buildings and removal of all hardstandings, outbuildings and access roads, erection of 2no dwellings and ancillary outbuildings, associated works to include landscape, woodland, parkland, pond and repositioning of vehicular access. AMENDED PLANS: Relocation of siting of dwelling and outbuildings, minor external alterations to outbuildings and amended landscape scheme.
Decision	Application Permitted with Conditions

07/03064/FUL:	The Granary, Lane End Farm, Longwood Dean Lane, Owslebury. SO21 1JZ
Proposal:	Two storey west extension, single storey west extension and single storey south extension (RESUBMISSION)
Decision	Application Permitted

33/08 AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- a) Areas of responsibility for new Councillor
- b) OMCA report – Meeting 4th March – JC
- c) VDS to be added to the agenda as a ‘standing item’ to include Winchester District Development Framework – Core Strategy.
- d) Cllrs agreed to move the Police Report to item 1 of the agenda. 10/08

34/08 MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a) **Marwell Zoo – Green Travel Plan Meeting – 4th March 2008 @6pm**
Attendance confirmed by Cllrs Chapman, Chase, Manship, Meads, Page & the Clerk.
Possible attendance confirmed by Cllr Tull.

35/07 FINANCE

The following payments were approved in accordance to the budget.

36/08 DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Monday 10th March 2008 at 7.45pm**

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Chairman..... Date.....