

Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford, on Tuesday 21st June 2005, at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr D Hymers (Chairman), Mrs J Robinson, Mrs G Wright, Messrs N. Crush, J Rowe, J Bowley, B Rogers, J Jarvis, J Fort and Dr M Garrard.

In attendance: Mr J March (Clerk), Mrs C Bulman Ruscombe Parish Council and two members of the public.

1. **Public questions** – none
2. **Apologies**- Mrs L Dane and Mr R Mantel.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**- none.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2005** Proposed Mr J Jarvis seconded Mrs G Wright, – Carried 9 for and 1 abstention.
5. **Matters Arising** –
All action points for the Clerk arising from the last meeting have been dealt with. Mrs G Wright asked about the decision on the Police Community Liaison Officer reported under item 12.1. The Chairman explained this was a record of the decision of the Planning and Amenities Committee, which was not questioned when reported at the meeting on 17th May.
6. **Co-option of Councillors** – Personal details of Mrs S Harriott-Kerr and Mr C Smith who were interested in becoming councillors had been circulated to members and there were no questions raised. Two separate votes were taken. Mr C G Smith was elected, 8 for, 2 abstentions. Mrs S Harriott-Kerr was elected 8 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions. The Chairman welcomed them both to the Council. They both signed their declarations of acceptance and took part in the rest of the meeting.
7. **District Council Matters**- No District Councillors were present at the meeting and no report had been received by the Clerk. There were no questions to be referred to them.
8. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council**- Mrs Bulman reported on the following elections. Mr Harvey–Chairman, Mr Wrigley-Vice-Chairman, Mr Hardman-Planning Committee Chairman and Mrs Bulman- Twyford PC representative. Following representation from local residents they are now asking for vehicle activated speed indicators to be installed in New Rd. They are opposing an application for a second mobile phone mast adjacent to the existing. They are concerned about the operation of the appointments system at the Health Centre. They are encouraging the council tenants in Pennfields to consider the offer to become part of a housing association.
9. **Reports:**
 - 9.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 06.06.05**– Mr Jarvis reported on the meeting, including the planning applications for 50-52 London Rd and the rear of 6 Church St. A planning application has been received for the skate park on KGV and in view of the local interest the committee recommended the following comments for approval by the council.
The hours of lighting should be controlled with an evening cut off of 9pm.
Infra red lighting should be installed to allow the CCTV camera to operate when the lighting is turned off.
It is important that the least noisy surface is used for the construction of the ramps due to the close proximity of residential property.
Request an environmental report is provided with particular attention to proposed noise levels.
The Chairman reported he had received copies of three letters sent to WDC by local residents –all raised objections. The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow two members of the public to raise issues they had about the application

concerning items such as noise, graffiti, hours of use and management of the area. The Chairman then reconvened the meeting and following discussions the above comments were approved with the addition of a further comment: A suitable anti- graffiti coating is to be applied wherever possible.

- 9.2 Parish Lands Committee 08.06.05** – Mr Bowley reported on the meeting including the suspected water leak at the Hurst Rd allotments and discussions about the skate park layout. The committee recommend to the Full Council to approve the replacement of the slide in the children’s play area at a cost of £3060 + vat. Agreed 10 for, 1 against and 1 abstention.
- 9.3 Finance Committee 14.06.05** – Mr Crush reported on the meeting including the on going discussions about the rates demand for Stanlake Pavilion and the decision to purchase a computer programme to allow more detailed risk assessment to be carried out as recommended in the internal auditors report. The committee recommends the full council to make a section 137 grant of £425 to Readibus. Agreed unanimously. The committee recommends to the full council to make a section 137 grant of £50 to Home Start. Agreed unanimously.
- 9.4 Meet the Public 18.06.04** – There were no matters arising from this.
- 9.5 TVCMI-** nothing to report.
- 9.6 Other Representatives reports** –. Age Concern are holding a meeting of their Organisation/Liaison Committee on 30th June.
- 9.7 Clerk’s report-** The Clerk had to arrange for a digger to excavate the pipe at Hurst Rd allotments in order to locate the water leak. When exposed the pipe was found to be badly corroded so whilst the ground was open a replacement feed pipe and set of standpipes was fitted. The Clerk to check if the cost of the water lost through the leak can be recovered from insurance. The Clerk had to arrange for an emergency callout to attend to one on the streetlights adjacent to Stanlake Pavilion. The lamp fitting was found to be hanging off suspended on the electrical feed wire. SEC think this was caused by the lamp being shaken by somebody. Due to the damage to the wire the column had to be rewired.
- 10. District Parish Conference** – The Chairman advised the meeting that items to go on the agenda of the next meeting in October are required by 26th August. He asked councillors to bring any suggestions to the next full council meeting.
- 11. Councillors Questions** – none
- 12. Correspondence**
- 12.1** Society of Local Clerks Summer Seminars – noted.
- 12.2** WALC meeting 23.06.05 – noted
- 12.3** BALC Agenda for AGM on 14.07.05 – noted. NALC booklet Pointers to Good Practice – taken by the Chairman to assess.
- 13. Authorisation of payments** – as detailed on list dated 20.06.05
Proposed Mr J Jarvis seconded Mr J Fort. Carried unanimously.
- 14. Dates of meetings:**
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| Planning and Amenities Committee | 04.07.05 |
| Parish Lands Committee | 06.07.05 at Stanlake Pavilion |
| Finance Committee | 12.07.05 |
- 15. Date of next meeting 19th July 2005**

The meeting closed at 9.11 p.m.

After the meeting the Chairman and the Clerk visited the local press representative Mrs Janet Warner who is retiring from the post after a number of years service. She was presented on behalf of the Council with a gift and a bouquet of flowers in recognition of her services to the village and her frequent helpfulness to the Parish Council."