

Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford, on Tuesday 19th September 2006, at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr D Hymers (Chairman) Mrs L Dane, Mrs B Ditcham, Mrs S Harriott-Kerr, Mrs J Robinson, Messrs, R Mantel, N Crush, J Jarvis, C Smith and Dr M Garrard.

In attendance: The Clerk, Mr J March and District Councillor Mr S Conway.

1. **Public questions** – none
2. **Apologies-** Mr J Bowley, Mr J Rowe, Mrs G Wright, Mr B Rogers and Mr J Fort.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda-** none.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2006** Item 7 Ruscombe changed to Wokingham District Council Proposed Mr J Jarvis seconded Mr C Smith approved 6 for, 3 abstentions.
5. **Matters Arising –**
 - 5.1 The Clerk to report the new satellite dish installation to the WDC Enforcement Officer. Completed.
 - 5.2 The Clerk to put the A4/London Rd junction on the agenda of the Planning and Amenities Committee meeting. Completed.
 - 5.3 The Clerk to obtain a quotation for repairing the surface of Loddon Hall car park. Completed –referred to Parish Lands Committee.
 - 5.4 The Clerk to send the reply to the questionnaire on the District/Parish Conference to WDC. Completed.
 - 5.5 Mrs L Dane and Mr J Jarvis to arrange for the nomination for the Queens Award for Voluntary Service to be completed and sent off. Completed.
 - 5.6 The Clerk to put questionnaire on Thames Valley Journey Time on the agenda of the Planning and Amenities Committee meeting. Completed.
6. **District Council Matters-** District Councillor Stephen Conway reported on the following. The library site issue has now come to an end with the leader of WDC refusing to take any action. The use of a school site has been suggested by WDC. A commitment has been given to public consultation if another suitable site becomes available. He explained the process behind the Land Use Strategy consultation by WDC and commented on the planning appeal for Mulberry Mead and application for 1 Station Rd.
7. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** Mrs L Dane reported on the following: As part of the Land Use Strategy there are plans for housing in the green belt at Twyford Orchards. They have made a grant of £500 towards the cost of refurbishing Loddon Hall kitchen.
8. **Reports:**
 - 8.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 07.08.09 and 04.09.06** Mr J Jarvis reported on the meetings including the planning applications for Loddon Park Farm, 15 Hurst Park Rd, Denmark House Charvil and the increase in street lighting energy charges.
 - 8.2 **Parish Lands Committee 06.09.06** Mr D Hymers reported on the meeting including the broken roundabout in the children's play area at KGVR, the repairs required to Loddon Hall car park, the dumping of bedding from stables at Hurst Rd, the revised tennis club rental agreement, the wild flower area at Stanlake Meadow and the letter from residents about a possible site for a mobile phone mast in the NW corner of KGVR.
 - 8.3 **Finance Committee 12.09.06** Mr D Hymers reported on the meeting including the letter received from WDC relating to application for Borough Status, the referral of several grants requests back to the applicants for more information

and the need to consider how the repairs to Loddon Hall Car Park will be financed.

8.4 Meet the Public 16.09.06 – nothing to report as no members of the public attended.

8.5 Other Representatives reports –

8.5.1 Governing Body of Polehampton Infant School 10.07.06 – noted.

8.5.2 Age Concern AGM 13.07.06 – noted.

8.6 Clerk's report – nothing to report.

9. Councillors Questions – Mrs L Dane raised the point relating to a possible fault on the Church St detectors for the traffic lights in the centre of the village. The number of vehicles crossing after the lights have changed was also discussed. Agreed Mr J Jarvis to raise this at the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Policing Committee, the Clerk to ask WDC to check if the sensors are working and to ask the police to check for vehicles crossing after the lights have changed. Mrs L Dane asked if we currently have the services of a traffic warden. The PCSO is currently carrying out these duties but there is a query relating to her interpretation of parking regulations. When asked she informed a councillor that it was not illegal to park on the pavement which is thought to be incorrect. The Clerk to ask for clarification. There is also a problem with lorries unloading in London Rd at the front of the shops when rear access is available. The Clerk to ask WDC if no loading/unloading restrictions can be added to the existing yellow lines.

10 Highways Agency Thames Valley Journey Time – proposed reply to questionnaire discussed. Agreed the Clerk to send it to the Highways Agency.

11. WDC Proposed application for Borough status. Proposed reply discussed and an additional comment to be added stating that the money to be spent on the change would be put to better use by providing library facilities for Twyford. Agreed the Clerk to send the amended reply to WDC.

12. Correspondence

12.1 WDC Governor Vacancies - noted.

12.2 District Parish Conference 19th October 2006. Request for questions. Discussed and agreed that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman draft a question relating to the responsibility for provision of local services such as a library by WDC.

12.3 WDC information on Electoral Administration Act – copied to councillors.

13. Authorisation of payments – list dated 13.09.06. Details of cheque no 03136 added to list. Proposed Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mrs L Dane and carried unanimously.

14. Dates of meetings:

Planning and Amenities Committee	02.10.06
Parish Lands Committee	04.10.06
Finance Committee	10.10.06

15. Date of next meeting 17th October 2006

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.
