

## **Twyford Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Meeting of the Council**

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford, on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2006, at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr D Hymers (Chairman), Mrs B Ditcham, Mrs L Dane, Messrs J Bowley, J Rowe, N Crush, J Fort, J Jarvis, C Smith, B Rogers and Dr M Garrard.

In attendance: The Clerk, Mr J March, District Councillor Mr S Conway and one member of the press

1. **Public questions** – none
2. **Apologies**- Mrs G Wright and Mr R Mantel.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**- none.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2006** Proposed Mr J Jarvis seconded Mr J Rowe – approved unanimously.
5. **Matters Arising** –
  - 5.1 The Clerk to arrange for the Village ranger to trim the buddleia bushes in the Millennium Garden. Completed.
  - 5.2 The Clerk to put digging up roads on a Sunday on the agenda of the Planning and Amenities Committee. Mrs Dane has spoken to S. Potts at WDC. They only dig up roads on Sunday if there is no practical alternative. In which case they normally make a mail drop to local residents. He is not aware of any work carried out by them in Twyford centre on a Sunday.
  - 5.3 Mrs Dane to arrange printing and distribution of the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting. Completed.
  - 5.4 The Clerk to reply to Mrs Tranmer about cutting down the trees in Loddon Hall car park. Completed.
  - 5.5 Mrs Dane reported that the developer of the property behind 6 Church St has renewed the sewer for the United Reformed Church.
6. **District Council Matters**- Mr S Conway reported on the planning applications for 5 Montreal Terrace, 99-101 Wargrave Rd, 62-64 Wargrave Rd, continuing problems with the developers at Mulberry Mead and CCTV at Twyford Station. He also mentioned the proposals regarding the changes to the settlement boundary near Bridge House due to be discussed at the July meeting of WDC. He raised a members question for more information but no details were provided. Mrs Dane asked about the latest position relating to the younger children's play area at Broad Hinton. Mr Conway replied that he has had discussions and the main problem is that the area gets very wet. The latest proposal is to merge the younger and older children's areas and he hopes the approval for this expenditure will be given in the near future. Mrs Dane also asked Mr Conway about the work being carried out adjacent to Bridge House. He believes this is work associated with the planning approval for an extension to Bridge House. Mr D Hymers asked Mr Conway to speak to WDC about having the missing white line replaced at the junction of Colleton Drive and Winchcombe Rd following the resurfacing. He also requested him to ask why the section of road at the entrance to Springfield Park from the London Rd had not been resurfaced although it is in worse condition than the part of Colleton Drive that has just been resurfaced.
7. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council**- Mrs Dane reported on the following: residents are unhappy about the proposed location for the vehicle activated signs in New Rd, there is a rumour that Barratt Homes have drawn up plans to build 1200 homes on the green belt land adjacent to the A4, Hare Hatch Nursery have applied for permission for a large extension and outline planning application has been made for 14 dwellings on land at the rear of 122-130 London Rd Ruscombe.

## **8. Reports:**

**8.1 Planning and Amenities Committee 03.04.06**– Mrs Dane reported on the meeting including: the planning applications for 7 New Rd, 62-64 Wargrave Rd, the proposals for a new free monthly magazine for Twyford and Twyford News is being distributed.

**8.2 Parish Lands Committee 05.04.06** – Mr Bowley reported on the meeting including: more information has been received about the proposed skate park on KGVR, which answers most of the questions raised by the council. Permission is now being requested from the council to allow the project to go ahead. This matter is likely to come up at the May meeting of the Parish Lands Committee and the Council. A letter has been received regarding the new and old stiles at Stanlake Meadow and further investigations are being made.

**8.3 Finance Committee 11.04.06** – Mr Crush reported on the meeting including: The final accounts for 2005/6 have now been prepared. £3529 has been taken out of the income from the Nursery School at Stanlake and put in reserve against the outstanding rates bill. The committee **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council Meeting that the changes to Standing Order 39 to meet the internal auditor's recommendation (details already circulated) be approved. Agreed unanimously. The committee **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that they take up membership of the Local Council Advisory Service provided by the council's insurers Zurich Municipal at a cost of £195 for year 1 and £135 for year 2+. Agreed unanimously.

**8.4 TVCMI-** nothing to report.

**8.5 Other Representatives reports** – none.

**8.6 Clerk's report-** One of the hinges on the storage shed at Stanlake Meadow has been broken and needs to be replaced. Agreed that some spare hinges be purchased in case further damage occurs.

**9. Appointment of Councillors to External Organisations.** Mr R Mantel was the council representative on Hurst Charities and his term of office has expired so re-appointment of a representative needs to be made. Proposed by Mr D Hymers, seconded by Mr B Rogers that Mr R Mantel be re-appointed as the council's representative on Hurst Charities. Agreed unanimously.

**10. Councillors Questions** – Mr J Bowley requested that more information be provided when an item such as no 9 above is placed on the agenda. – noted. Mr D Hymers raised the situation regarding the graffiti on the wall adjacent to the barbers at the rear of Waitrose and on the low wall adjacent to Polehampton Infants School in the footpath from London Rd to Wensley Close. To be put on the agenda of the next meeting of the Planning and Amenities Committee.

**11. Correspondence** – none.

**12. Authorisation of payments** – as detailed on list dated 18.04.06  
Proposed Mr J Jarvis seconded Dr M Garrard. Carried unanimously.

### **13. Dates of meetings:**

Planning and Amenities Committee	02.05.06 (Tuesday)
Parish Lands Committee	03.05.06
Finance Committee	09.05.06
Annual Parish Meeting	11.05.06

**14. Date of next meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May 2006 – Annual Meeting of the Council**

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.