

Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford, on Tuesday 17th July 2007 at 7.45p.m.

Present: R.Mantel [Vice-Chairman], Messrs C.Smith, B.Rogers, J.Bowley, J. Jarvis, J Rowe, N Crush, Mrs K Peck, Ms S Doughty and Mrs. B. Ditcham.

In attendance: One member of the press and one member of the public.

1. **Public Questions** – there were no public questions.
2. **Apologies** – Mr. D. Hymers
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** – None
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2007** – proposed by J Jarvis seconded by C Smith - approved unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
 - 5.1 The Clerk to place list of councillors on the notice boards. Completed.
 - 5.2 The Clerk to report potholes in Springfield Park to WBC. Completed.
 - 5.3 The Clerk to set up Direct Debit payment of bills with BT. Completed.
 - 5.4 The Clerk to check the grass round the tennis courts. The “cutting in” of the long grass round the edge of KGVR, which requires a smaller mower had not been carried out. This has now been completed.
 - 5.5 The Clerk to put Dog Fouling on the agenda of the next Parish Lands Committee meeting. Completed.
 - 5.6 The Clerk to reply to Mrs Smith regarding Age Concern. Completed
 - 5.7 The Clerk to clarify the Youth Worker’s proposals regarding use of the Mobile Trailer. Under normal circumstances they will just carry out street working. If resources permit they may occasionally take out the mobile vehicle.
 - 5.8 The Clerk to contact neighbouring councils regarding holiday cover for the Village Ranger. Contact made and replies to date received from Hurst and Charvil who are unable to help.
 - 5.9 The Clerk to purchase a replacement mobile phone. Completed.
 - 5.10 The Clerk to place the Waitrose Car Park entrance road crossing on the agenda of the next Planning and Amenities Committee meeting. Completed.
6. **Appointment of Councillors to Committees** Ms S Doughty has expressed an interest in joining the Parish Lands and Finance Committees.
Proposed Mrs K Peck, seconded Mr J Jarvis and carried unanimously.
7. **Borough Council Matters** – Borough Councillor Stephen Conway was not able to be present and asked Mr R Mantel to report on the following: He has made enquiries and the large piece of land off London Rd Ruscombe is unlikely to be built on.
8. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** Mr C Smith reported on their last meeting when the possibility of the development of the piece of land off London Rd was discussed.
9. **Reports:**
 - 9.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 02.07.07.** Mr Jarvis reported on the following. Planning applications for 4 Longfield Rd, 32 Malvern Way and 22 Chaseside Ave and the appeal lodged for 35 Springfield Park. Mr J Rowe has joined the editorial team for Twyford News and the consultancy questionnaire relating to the Broad Hinton play area has been returned to WBC. He also reported on the proposed changes to the operation of the WBC Highways Board.
 - 9.2 **Parish Lands Committee 04.07.07** Mr. J. Bowley reported on the following. The proposed replacement of the kitchen in Twycombe Lodge, the clearance work to be carried out at the allotments and the report that contamination has been found when the checks were made prior to installation of the ball park and skate park on KGVR.

The Committee **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council to accept the quote from JK Insulation for £528 for the installation of insulation in Twycombe Lodge. Carried unanimously. Mr C Smith asked why there had been a meeting with Twyford Comets and Mr J Bowley replied that it was to discuss future plans. The committee tries to have a meeting with all sports clubs using the facilities at least once a year.

9.3 Finance and General Purposes Committee 10.07.07 Mr Mantel reported on the meeting.

The committee **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council not to make a Section 137 Grant to the MS Therapy Centre. Carried 8 for 2 abstentions.

The committee **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council to make a Section 137 Grant of £1670.42 to WBC Street Worker for Twyford. Carried 9 for 1 abstention.

9.4 Other representatives Reports.

Governing Body of Polehampton Infant School – noted.

Northern Parishes Area Youth Committee – noted.

Age Concern – noted.

9.5 Clerk's Report. Holiday cover was provided by the Park Warden for the Village Ranger. This was adequate to keep the areas tidy and fortunately no incidents occurred requiring additional work. The new roundabout has been installed in the children's playground. Unfortunately there are a few items that have not been completed correctly so the supplier has been contacted and asked to rectify them. The installers of the swings in the toddlers area will be coming back to replace the top bar and bearings as they are still not operating smoothly.

10 Councillors' Questions

Mr J Rowe reported that there was a serious incident at the railway station on Saturday 14th July and asked if the council should inform the police. Mr R Mantel will contact PC Glyn Wilding and Chief Inspector Lindsey Finch. There was also a query raised about the current position regarding the use of the WBC mobile CCTV unit. The Clerk to check with District Councillor Stephen Conway.

11. Correspondence

11.1 BALC Councillor Training – details enclosed. The Clerk to nominate Mrs K Peck, Ms S Doughty and Mr J Rowe.

11.2 WBC – The Town and Parish News - circulated on e-mail. Noted

11.3 CVA – Local Strategic Partnership Briefing – circulated on e-mail. Noted

11.4 WBC Recruitment Open Day – noted.

12 Authorisation of Payments. List dated 10.07.07 circulated. Authorisation proposed by Mr J Jarvis and seconded by Mr J Bowley agreed unanimously.

13. Dates of meetings:

Planning and Amenities Committee	06.08.07 and 03.09.07
Parish Lands Committee	05.09.07
Finance Committee	11.09.07
Meet the Public	15.09.07

Mr J Jarvis and Ms S Doughty to attend. Reserve Mrs B Ditcham.

14. Date of next meeting – 18th September 2007

The meeting closed at 8.28 pm.