

Twyford Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Meeting held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford, on Tuesday 22nd July 2008 at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr. D. Hymers (Chairman) Messrs R Mantel, J Jarvis, C Smith, S Clark (from item 8), J Bowley, B Rogers (from item 6), N Crush, M Shepherd, C Tennant, Mrs S Harriott-Kerr, Mrs B Ditcham, Ms S Doughty and Mrs K Peck.

In attendance: Mr J March Clerk and Borough Councillor Mr S Conway.

1. **Public Questions** – None
2. **Apologies** – Miss C La Trobe.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** – None.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2008** — proposed by Mr J Jarvis seconded by Mr C Smith - approved 10 for, 1 abstention.

5. **Matters arising and action points**

The Clerk to put revised plans for Colleton School Children's Centre on the agenda of the Planning and Amenities Committee. Completed.

The Clerk to request speed checks to be carried out in Wargrave Rd and Hurst Rd. Reply received that the most appropriate way to achieve this is to arrange the use of a SID through the Neighbourhood Action Group. The Clerk has spoken to PC Glyn Wildey who can arrange this. It will require the attendance of a councillor when it is deployed to record and collate data. Mr C Smith, Mr J Jarvis, Mrs B Ditcham and Mrs K Peck offered their services subject to being available on the proposed dates/times. The Clerk to liaise with PC Glyn Wildey to arrange for checks to be carried out.

The Clerk to reply to the police about the consultation meeting and copy details to Mr J Jarvis. Completed.

The Clerk to put the request for access over the KGVR car park on the agenda of the Parish Lands Committee. Completed.

6. **Borough Council Matters** – Borough Councillor Stephen Conway reported on the following: The planning application for temporary additional classrooms at Piggott School and the revised application for the Railway Station footbridge which he has asked to be listed for the Planning Meeting in August. He has raised concerns about the increases in parking charges, particularly for season ticket holders. It is hoped a meeting will take place on 29th August regarding the consultation with residents of Wagtail Close and Springfield Park about revised parking restrictions. Various members of the WBC Executive have been contacted and shown the JW Green's site, which seems to be the favoured option for a library site in the report to be submitted to the Executive in the near future. The proposals relate to the upper floors as the ground floor has been let.

7. **Liaison with Ruscombe Parish Council.** –Nothing to report.

8. **Reports:**

- 8.1 **Planning and Amenities Committee 07.07.08** Mr J Jarvis reported on the meeting including the planning applications received for 9 Waltham Rd and the Railway Station footbridge as well the outcome of the enforcement action at Mulberry Mead where the changes have been approved as minor amendments. The committee understands that the WBC Executive have decided to close the Broad Hinton Play Area. Investigations are continuing about the cost of installing a solar/wind-powered streetlight. Mr D Hymers raised the point about the flagpoles at Mulberry Mead, which should be removed as all plots are now sold. The Clerk to contact WBC.

8.2 Parish Lands Committee 09.07.08 Mr J Bowley reported on the meeting including: the proposed repairs to the damaged kerbs in the Loddon Hall car park and the removal of the damaged tree on the Stanlake Meadow boundary in Waltham Rd. Yellow Brick Nursery have been given permission to use of a small area of Stanlake for an outdoor grassed play area. Following the decision to allow double plots for cremated remains the charge for a second burial in a plot was agreed. Although not finished and handed over to the Parish Council the skate and ballpark are in use. Generally users seem to be behaving themselves although Mrs S Harriott-Kerr expressed concerns because a stone had been thrown at her when she was walking past. She was advised that this should be reported to the police. Costs have been obtained for insuring the equipment and playing surface. The Clerk is arranging training for staff involved with the inspection of the equipment. The Round Table have offered to pay for the installation of an item of sports equipment on Stanlake Meadow. The Clerk is investigating the cost of various items.

8.3 Finance and General Purposes Committee 10.06.08 Mr R Mantel reported on the meeting including discussions on the budget expenditure and capital statement to the end of June and insurance for the skate and ballpark. Although it has not passed into ownership of the Parish Council it was decided to put cover in place immediately in case there are any problems. Notification has been received of proposed changes to the alcohol licence for Stanlake Vineyard. The committee **RECOMMENDS** to the Full Council not to make a section 137 grant to Twyford and Wargrave Volunteer Centre. Carried 13 for, 1 against.

8.4 Other representatives Reports. – Report from the Governors of Polehampton Infants School – noted.

Mrs K Peck reported on the July meeting of the Area Youth Committee. The opening ceremony for the skate park was discussed, Debbie has been doing presentations on the consequences of actions, an it's a knockout competition is being held on 16th August, the youth club will run through the summer holidays and additional street work will be carried out.

Mrs B Ditcham reported on the AGM of Age Concern, which was well attended. They propose to install a new kitchen, the building is well used and the staffing position is stable. Following the meeting there was a presentation about the original setting up of the centre.

Mr C Smith reported that the number of NAG meetings is being reduced to 4 a year. Mr D Hymers reported on the recent WDALC meeting. District Councillor Keith Baker gave a presentation on highway matters. Mr D Hymers raised the issue of faded lines on the highway in Twyford. Mr Baker responded that this should be reported to him. The Clerk to put this on the agenda of the Planning and Amenities Committee meeting. Committee members were asked to make a note of any areas where lines need refreshing.

Mr D Hymers reported on a meeting of the TVP. The Christmas Fayre is being arranged and will be a bigger event and the work on preparation of the Parish Plan is proceeding. There was also feedback on the comments made by visitors to the stand at the Scouts' Donkey Derby.

8.5 Clerk's Report. – The Clerk reported the following: He has arranged for WBC to jet out the land drains in Hurst Rd in an attempt to stop the water flowing down the allotment road from the spring that has started at the end of one of the allotments. The fencing round the Waltham Rd entrance to Stanlake Meadow nearest the railway bridge has been pushed down, possibly as some of the posts were rotten at the base. The Clerk will obtain a price for this to be repaired.

9. Councillors Questions – None

10. Correspondence -

10.1 TVP Invite to Skate Park opening ceremony – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.2 WBC Core Strategy – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.3 WBC – New Local Area Agreement – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.4 WBC Submission of Core Strategy – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.5 VAWB – new structure in WBC Policy and Partnerships – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.6 VAWB Government Consultation – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.7 WBC Appointment of Link Host – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.8 VAWB The Volunteer July 08 – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.9 WBSP Briefing – circulated on e-mail. Noted.

10.10 WBC Scores on the doors. Noted.

10.11 VAWB invite to Community Lunch. Noted.

10.12 BALC update – circulated on e-mail. The Clerk pointed out the proposed training for new councillors in September. Further details will be circulated when they are received. Noted.

11. Authorisation of payments – list dated 22.07.08 Proposed Mr J Jarvis, seconded Mr J Bowley. Carried unanimously.

12. Dates of meetings:

Planning and Amenities Committee	04.08.08 and 01.09.08
Parish Lands Committee	03.09.08
Finance Committee	09.09.08
Meet the Public	13.09.08

Mrs B Ditcham and Mr N Crush to attend.

13. Date of next meeting – 16th September 2008.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.