

Whiteley Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held at the Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Monday 6th December 2004 7.15pm.

Present: Mrs Vivian Achwal, Mr Mike Anthony, Mrs Brenda Hatch,
Mr Pat Wright Four members of the public, Parish Clerk, Mrs Nicki Oliver

1. **To receive apologies for absence:** none.
2. **To receive declarations of interest regarding agenda items:** none.
3. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public:**

3.1 Report from County Councillor Please see attached report.

Resident ,Mrs Hopson, felt that extending the double yellow lines in Leafy Lane would not help the parking problem.

Cllr Hatch questioned why the government was using 13 year old census data to calculate the Financial Settlement for HCC and why no mention is made of the business rate contribution.

3.2 Reports from District Councillors No report this month.

3.3 Questions from members of the public

Resident Mr Don Bate reported that the drains in front of his house had been cleared that morning. He asked the PC to enquire how often the drains are cleared on both adopted and unadopted roads. **Action** Clerk.

4 Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:

- 4.1 To elect Chairman for the ensuing six months: **Cllr Wright elected.**
- 4.2 To elect Vice-Chairman for the ensuing six months: **Cllr Anthony elected.**
- 4.3 To approve and sign the minutes of the November 2004 meeting. **Minutes approved and signed.**
- 4.4 Matters arising from the last meeting: **included below.**
- 4.5 Proposal to co-opt councillor to fill vacancy: **Mr Vic Hatch was co-opted.**
- 4.6 Report from the Newsletter Working Party (Cllr Achwal) The Working Party requested that WPC consider the following recommendations:
 - 4.6.1 Proposal that sponsorship for the newsletter is not pursued. **It was agreed the Working Party should pursue possible sponsorship.**
 - 4.6.2 Proposal that advertising is not accepted for the newsletter. **Agreed the Working Party should pursue the possibility of advertising.**
 - 4.6.3 Proposal to increase budget for newsletter by £800 to the end of the financial year. **Resolved.**
- 4.7 Report on the Parish Council website (Clerk). Latest newsletter to be added to website. **Action** Clerk.

4.8 To receive a report and recommendations from the Finance Committee. (Cllr Wright).

4.8.1 To receive minutes of meeting 24th November 2004. **Minutes received.**

4.8.2 Proposal to make precept request of £20,582 for 2005/6 **refer to January meeting.**

4.8.3 Proposal to make contribution of £300 towards minibus for Henry Cort School. **Resolved.**

4.8.4 Proposal to make minor amendment to accounts annual return 2004 as requested by external auditor. **Resolved.**

4.9 To receive a report and recommendations from the Recreation and General Purposes Committee (Cllr Hatch).

4.9.1 To receive minutes of meeting 24th November 2004 **Minutes received.**

A plan of the recreation ground was requested **Action** Clerk
Repairs and maintenance to totem poles and timber sculptures to be chased again. **Action** Clerk

The Committee and Council Chairmen wished to record their thanks to Mrs Lizzy Hopson for attending the HCC School meeting at very short notice.

4.10 To receive a report and recommendations from the Highways and Transport Committee (Cllr Achwal) (No meeting this month)

HCC has confirmed that the recent traffic count in Whiteley Way would justify a pedestrian crossing. The officer wishes to pursue a pavement on the west side of Whiteley Way to Tesco at the same time. A feasibility study is planned.

4.11 To receive a report and recommendations from the Planning Committee

4.11.1 To receive minutes of meeting 15th and 24th November 2004 **Minutes received.** Note alterations to minutes of 24th November to state which agenda item the declaration of interests refer to and minutes 15th November to include declarations of interests not noted.

The following to be passed to WCC Planning Enforcement:

Garage conversion to 50 Saffron Way; encroachment of verge on Lady Bettys Drive affecting site lines; closed gates at the entrance to Sky Lark Meadows. **Action** Clerk.

4.12 Report from Councillors/Clerk on recent meetings attended

Report from Annual meeting of transport representatives to be circulated.
Action VA.

5 Recent correspondence

Application for consideration for co-option from Mr Vic Hatch copy all councillors

Standards Board guidance leaflet - copy all councillors

Hampshire County Council - response to PC request for pedestrian crossings at Marjoram Roundabout and Yew Tree Drive.

Mr John McVicar - complaints about meeting 30th September.

Mr and Mrs Boon queries about Whiteley issues

Winchester City Council Scrutiny Programme 2004/5

HAPTC's response to the ODPM consultation: a model code of conduct for local government employees
 HAPTC guidance on filling a vacancy - update
 HCC Doorstep crime initiative

6 Accounts for payment

7 Questions and comments from Councillors

1. It was agreed to suspend Committees until new councillors are appointed to fill the vacancies.
2. Cllr Hatch expressed disappointment that the staff promised to man the museum exhibition failed to attend. The Trust has agreed to refund

Inv no	Chq No	Recipient	Amount *reimburse Clerk	Notes
1	150	John Hall	£50.40	Travelling exp.
2	151	Ron Finlay	£20.73	Chairman's expenses
3	152	Aqua Cleaning	£117.50	Clean bus shelters
4	153	Henry Cort School	£300.00	Contribution towards a new minibus
5	154	Atkinson's	£157.13	Repair notice board
6	155	WCC	£65.25	Room hire
7	156	N Oliver 4 weeks@15hrs@ £8.81 tax 22% NI 11%	£528.60 £116.29 <u>£58.15</u> 354.16	Clerk's salary
8	156	Clerk's home as office 4 weeks @ £4.80	*£19.20	Clerk's expenses
9	156	Internet 4 weeks @ £2.60	*£10.40	Clerk's expenses
10	156	Ink cartridge	£27.97	Stationery
11	157	Inland Revenue	£591.52	Tax and NI Oct-Dec
		total	£1714.26	

£150 towards the cost of the room. Agreed to write confirming the complaint. Action Clerk.

3. A casual vacancy due to the non attendance of meetings for six months by Caroline Watts was noted.

4. Thanks expressed to everyone who has helped deliver the Parish Plans.

Meeting closed 9.15pm

Signed.....

Date