

Whiteley Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held at the Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley Monday 5th February 2007 at 7.15pm.

Present: Mr M Evans (Chairman), Mrs V Achwal (Vice-Chairman), Mr M Anthony (District Councillor), Mr D Bartram, Ms C Cousin, Mr P Eveleigh, Mr D Jenkins, Mr G Swinburn, Mr P Wright

Mr F Allgood (County Councillor), five members of the public, Parish Clerk Mrs N Oliver

- 1. To receive apologies for absence:** Mr I McHugh
- 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.

3.2 Reports from District Councillors: please see attached report.

3.3 Questions from members of the public

Cllr Allgood was asked about procedure regarding the proposal of a campaign group to present a petition to WCC asking for the Meadowside to be reconsidered for a school site. Cllr Allgood advised that WCC has to hear petitions, it will be presented at a Full Council meeting and then referred to Cabinet or a committee.

It was questioned why Yew Tree Drive could not be opened while work on Segensworth roundabout was being carried out. Cllr Allgood advised he will keep pressing Fareham BC to open the road.

Cllr Allgood was questioned on the costings for a new school on the Bunney site, the North Whiteley Consortium has indicated a school could be built for £4.5 million, HCC figures are between £7 and £8 million.

It was questioned whether WCC still had funding for an information point for Whiteley. Cllr Allgood advised the money had been spent elsewhere as Whiteley had no suitable accommodation.

Jane Miller from Meadowside Centre outlined a proposed grant application for some indoor curling equipment that could be widely used including: Adopt a School, elderly people and disabled sports groups. The Parish Council agreed the idea in principle it will be discussed further at the next Finance Committee meeting.

3.4 Chairman's announcements: none.

4 Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:

4.1 To approve and sign the minutes of the January 2007 meeting: **minutes approved and signed.**

4.2 Matters arising from the last meeting not included below: none.

4.3 To agree key priorities for each committee and working party for 2007/8: **priorities agreed, see attached list.**

4.4 To receive a report and recommendations from the School Working Party (Chairman). **No further action proposed at present.**

4.5 To receive a report and recommendations from the Recreation and GP Committee. (Cllr Wright)

4.5.1 To discuss proposal to facilitate the setting up of an Area K residents association. (Chairman/Clerk) **Ongoing.**

4.5.2 To receive update on map board project (Clerk)

A draft map is being prepared by the artist and should be ready by the end of May.

Funding has been agreed by HCC Countryside Team £3000, Forestry Commission £2000, Winchester City Council Economic Development Dept £1000; HCC Rights of Way small grants scheme £1000. Fareham Rotary Club has offered to fundraise up to £2000 towards the project.

Fareham BC has pulled out of the project The Leader does not wish for map boards within its boundaries.

4.6 To receive a report and recommendations from the Planning Committee (Cllr Anthony)

4.6.1 To receive minutes of meeting 24th January 2007. **Minutes received.** It was noted that WCC has granted permission for the Mollison Rise cross over.

4.7 To receive a report and recommendations from the Transport and Highways Committee. (Cllr Achwal). Speed checks have been requested on Yew Tree Drive, WCC has been asked to monitor parking on Parkway particularly at the junctions with Whiteley Way.

4.8 To receive a report and recommendations from the Finance Committee (Chairman)

4.8.1 To receive minutes of meeting 24th January 2007. **Minutes received.**

4.9 Report from the Newsletter Working Party (Cllr Achwal) Further articles are requested for the newsletter. An agent willing to sell advertising on a commission only basis is also needed.

4.10 Report on the Parish Council website (Clerk): The website has received 4741 hits since 6th April 2006.

4.11 Report from Councillors/Clerk on recent meetings attended

4.11.1 Chairman's meeting with County and District Councillors 24th January 2007 including proposal for a parish hub/library/information

point, opportunity for part funding through by LABGI grant. Minutes circulated to all councillors.

4.11.2 Cllr Wright attending the Skatepark Forum, the young people are taking an active and constructive role in the management of the Skatepark, the litter problem has reduced.

4.12 Proposal that Whiteley should support Fair Trade – update (Cllr Bartram). Agreed to remove this item from future agendas. The Business Forum has advised that Fair Trade is not a priority this year and it would be difficult to pursue without their support.

4.13 To receive update on proposals and agree date for the Annual Parish Assembly 2007. Provisional date 24th April agreed.

5 Recent correspondence

Resident request for Meadowside greenway flooding to be remedied (Already on request list with HCC, meeting to be arranged)

Resident expressing views regarding proposal for school on Meadowside (Chairman responded also for newsletter team to consider, probably overtaken by events)

Resident request for Bluebell Way to be completed (chase regularly)

Whiteley First Responders grant application (Finance Committee)

WCC Alternate bin collection newsletter (emailed to all)

WCC Planning Chairman request that requests for applications to go to committee to be for material reasons only. (copy MA and ME)

WCC/HCC road closure notice A27 link road between Segensworth Roundabout and Junction 9 of M27 for its entire length for overhead cable repairs night of 15/16th Feb

Winchester District Annual Monitoring report – housebuilding targets etc

WCC Forward Plan of Key Decisions February 2007

WCC acknowledgement of PC 's suggestions for road name for Solent 2 (Suggested Clove Acres, (Lane or Way), Solent Way or Hawthorne Way)

WCC Winchester District Local Plan Review Assessment of the need for Local Reserve Site Release 2007

Meadowside Leisure Centre Skatepark meeting agenda (copied to VA and PW)

HCC response to FOI request for Bunney Land feasibility study

HCC press release regarding school (emailed to all)

Meon Valley Police – passed PC request for speed monitoring on Yew Tree to Chris Laycock Traffic Management Officer

Meon Valley Police – parking so a pavement is totally obstructed is a fixed penalty offence

Meetings

Please attend if at all possible;

WCC LDF Live for the future event 7pm Wednesday 28th Feb at Meadowside

Other meetings

Improving Accessibility in Hampshire Conference Winchester Guildhall 21st March 9.15pm - 4.30pm mainly seems to be about public transport includes accessibility planning, passenger transport review, access to education and health care.

Hampshire Action Team (HAT) Listening Meeting 6pm 13th February at Littleton and Harestock Memorial Hall, (just north of Winchester) County Councillors in Winchester District invite a rep to a Listening Meeting, answer questions " In terms of the work of Hampshire County Council, what are the key priorities for your area and why?"

6 Accounts for payment: it was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Inv No	Chq No	Recipient	Amount *Reimburse Clerk	Notes
1	216	Mr P Wright	£21.70	Climate Change workshop expenses
2	217	WCC	£28.70	December room hire
3	218	HCC	£33.00	Maps
4	219	Audit Commission	£141.00	External audit
5	220	Mrs V Achwal	£36.70	Travelling exp school campaign
6	221	Mr M Evans	£106.73	Expenses
7	222	N Oliver		
		gross £728.50		
		-Tax £160.27		
		-NI £28.24		
		-Pension <u>£43.71</u>	£496.28	Clerk's salary February
8	222		*£21.00	Home as office
9	222		*£27.00	Telephone/internet
10	223	HCC	£163.91	Employer/Employee pension contributions
		Total	£1,076.02	

Meeting closed 9.12pm

Signed

Date

Whiteley Parish Council

Committee Key Priorities

1.0 Planning Committee (General)

To continue responding to planning applications having regard to local and national planning policy.

To continue to monitor unauthorised development.

2.0 Finance Committee (General)

To continue to monitor income and expenditure and to encourage grant applications from local organisations

3.0 Recreation and GP Committee

To complete the map board project and promote locally by June 2007
(Project is for 11+ mapboards around the parish together with a downloadable map showing rights of way and cycle/pedestrian routes and other local info.)

To begin discussions regarding devolution of management of the Recreation Ground by June 2007.

4.0 Transport and Highways Committee

To lobby for opening of additional access roads and improved public transport to reduce traffic congestion:

Establish plan of action, following discussions with relevant parties, to be presented to full council meeting in May 2007

5.0 Newsletter Working Party

To continue to increase newsletter content and to increase advertising by end 2007/8 to cover at least 50% of the newsletter costs

6.0 School Working Party

To continue work towards the establishment of a new primary school at a suitable location which preserves the integrity of Meadowside Recreation Ground.

7.0 Quality Parish Status

To achieve an election in May 2007 in order to be able to make an application for quality parish status by September 2007.

8.0 Review of Parish Plan

To complete planning of project by April 2007, commence parish wide consultation by September 2007, have results available by December 2007 and draft action plan for discussion February 2008.

**Notes from Meeting between HCC WCC and Chairman WPC
Wednesday 24th January 6.30pm Room 3 Meadowside Leisure Centre**

Present: Mike Evans Chairman Whiteley PC, Freddie Allgood County Councillor, Mike Anthony District Councillor, Nicki Oliver Parish Clerk

Apologies: Kate Chapman District Councillor

1. New Primary School

Cllr Allgood reported that the leader of HCC had made the decision to shelve the new primary school.

Cllr Allgood suggested that all now need to look at how Whiteley children are given place priority at surrounding schools as detailed in Option 4 of the Consultation on the provision of primary school places to serve Whiteley area February – April 2005.

2. Library

The proposal for parish hub/office/library pod was discussed, Cllr Allgood suggested that WPC make a formal proposal. **Action: Cllr Evans**

3. Meadowside Recreation Land

Cllr Allgood confirmed Cllr Tony Coates to be the portfolio holder responsible for projects such as upgrading the Meadowside football pitches. There was no money allocated for FY 2007/2008 but WPC would need to submit a budget proposal to WCC for FY2008/9. NPFA had also agreed in principle to make some funds available for this project the details of which were contained in the NPFA feasibility study undertaken in 2006. **Action Cllr Evans**

4. North Whiteley Development

Cllr Evans advised of a recent meeting between WCC and the North Whiteley consortium. Preliminary expectations to make a first planning application in July 2008. WCC funding availability towards a master planning exercise may be an issue. All noted that such an exercise would involve the wider community and neighbouring parishes such as Curdridge and Botley.

Meeting closed 7.30pm