



Whiteley Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held at the Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Monday 7th April 2008 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: David Jenkins (Vice-Chairman), Chris Cousin, Kairen Goves, Brenda Hatch, Victor Hatch, Brian Hughes, Pat Thew

Freddie Allgood (County Councillor), four members of the public, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

- 1. To receive apologies for absence** Vivian Achwal, Mike Anthony (District Councillor), Mike Evans (Chairman), Ian 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: report circulated to all councillors 8th April.

3.2 Reports from District Councillors: no report this month.

3.3 Questions from members of the public

Resident Pat Wright raised concerns about increased traffic, loss of parking and lack of school places following the presentation by Whiteley Co-Ownership on the proposed redevelopment of Whiteley Village. Vice-Chairman David Jenkins advised that the Parish Council had already raised these concerns with the developer.

Cllr Brenda Hatch asked Cllr Freddie Allgood about the original route of the cycle path to Swanwick Station. Cllr Allgood to respond when further information available.

Cllr Pat Thew asked Cllr Freddie Allgood when the Yew Tree bus link would be open. Cllr Allgood stated that the link would be open in four weeks.

Cllr Brian Hughes asked why HCC has set up a Commission of Enquiry into Adult Care when the Government is producing a Green Paper in the Autumn. Response awaited.

It was agreed to ask HCC for an update on school place planning for Whiteley.

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 March 2008 meeting: **minutes approved and signed.**

4.2 To receive report on key objectives for 2007/8 and projects reporting directly to Full Council:

4.2.1 North Whiteley Forward Planning: **no further news.**

4.2.2 Whiteley Village redevelopment proposals update: **a planning application for Phase 1 is expected in May, Whiteley Co-Ownership will meet with the Parish Council prior to the application submission.**

4.2.3 Review of Parish Plan: **drafts are progressing well, letters confirming funding awaited.**

4.2.4 Devolution issues: **refer to next meeting.**

4.3 To receive a report and recommendations from the Recreation and GP Committee. (Cllr Cousin)

The newly refurbished play areas are ready to open, some remedial work may be necessary but they have passed the RoSPA inspection.

A decision on whether Meadowside will continue to host cricket will be made shortly.

4.3.1 Report on plans for Annual Parish Assembly 29th April: **10 groups have accepted invitations to create displays. Whiteley Primary School and Henry Cort will be providing the entertainment.**

4.4 To receive a report and recommendations from the Planning Committee (Cllr Jenkins)

4.4.1 To receive minutes of meeting 19th March 2008: **minutes received.**

4.5 To receive a report and recommendations from the Transport and Highways Committee. (Cllr Goves)

The Chair of Highways and Chair of Recreation and GP have responded to an HCC consultation regarding an offer of adoption of a section of bridleway running from the Strawberry Track to the corner of Meadowside.

HCC Highways officers have responded well to the new repair spreadsheet produced by the Chairman, a number of outstanding repairs have been actions.

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

4.6.1 To receive minutes of meeting 19th March 2008: **minutes received.**

4.6.2 Proposal to allocate budget to a **maximum** of £6000 for the Parish Plan review. This excludes grant contributions that may reduce the budget required. **Resolved.**

4.6.3 Proposal to approach Marketing Means to discuss the project as the preferred consultant for data management services. Quote from Marketing Means £3945+VAT plus additional costs depending on the number of responses received. **Resolved.**

4.6.4 Additional time constrained agenda item: following extreme ill health of current internal auditor Paul Reynolds, proposal to employ Ken Abraham, details and costs circulated to all councillors. **Resolved.**

4.7 Report from the Newsletter Working Party (Cllr Achwal) **Refer to next meeting.**

4.8 Report on the Parish Council website (Clerk) **315 visits by 215 visitors recorded during the last month.**

4.9 Report from Councillors/Clerk on recent meetings attended: Chairman and Vice-Chairman met with members of Whiteley Church to discuss proposals for redevelopment of Whiteley Village. Discussions confidential at present.

5 Recent correspondence: list circulated prior to meeting.

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

Inv No	Chq No	Recipient	Amount *Reimburse Clerk	Notes
1	445	Winchester City Council	£67.00	Room hire
2	446	Aqua Cleaning	£123.37	Clean bus shelters
3	447	Audit Commission	£334.88	External audit
4	448	Vic Hatch	£5.92	Travelling expenses
5	449	Royal Mail	*£63.10	Postage
6	449	N Oliver gross £728.50 -Tax £138.88 -NI £32.28 -Pension <u>£43.71</u>	£513.63	Clerk's salary April (as prev month as new tax / NI tables and pension contributions not yet available)
7	449		*£21.00	Home as office
8	449		*£27.00	Telephone/internet
9	450	HCC	£172.65	Employer/Employee pension contributions
		Total	£1,328.55	

Meeting closed 8.45pm

Signed

Date