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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WINNERSH PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.45 p.m. ON TUESDAY 9 MARCH 2010 IN THE JOHN GROBLER ROOM

PRESENT: Cllrs J Southgate (Chairman), P Bray, E Cooke, J Grimson, D Hunt,
D Jupp, J Peffers, J Wakefield

In attendance: Clive Hudson (WPC Clerk). 1 member of the public.

1 APOLOGIES

1.1 **Apologies for absence** – Cllrs M Armstrong, F Breedlove, J Plant

1.2 Cllr Southgate announced the resignation from the Council of Cllr Bill Clark. Cllr Southgate expressed his thanks and appreciation to Cllr Clark for his work on the Council, and in particular his work as Chairman of F&GP. The Council asked the Clerk to write to Cllr Clark to express its thanks and best wishes.

ACTION: Clerk

The Clerk will notify WBC and post a Notice of Vacancy on the notice boards.

ACTION: Clerk

Cllr Southgate asked the Council to look out for suitable individuals to fill the vacancies on the council.

ACTION: Councillors

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

2.2 The minutes of the Council meeting of 9 February 2010 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign the minutes as a true record.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 None.

4 PUBLIC SESSION

- 4.1** Cllr Southgate reported on PS Tim Woolford's explanation for police non-attendance at Parish Council meetings.
- 4.2** Catherine Whittaker spoke on the proposals for a wind farm at Rushy Mead. She expressed concern over the size of the wind turbines and the related health risks, particularly sleep and noise related problems. She handed out leaflets to the members of the Council. The Council asked for clarification of the type of turbine proposed, since some turbines are much quieter than others. The Council observed that an application would come under WBC and probably Planning Inspectorate jurisdiction. There may also be issues relating to the site being a flood plain.

The Council agreed to invite a member of HARM to speak at the May Full Council meeting, subject to a Planning Application being presented by then. The invitation will be reviewed by the Planning Committee on Tuesday 20 April 2010. **ACTION: Clerk**

The member of the public left the meeting.

5 COMPLAINTS AND FAULT TRACKING

- 5.1** None.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Correspondence received prior to the issue of the agenda

Item 22; WBSP Community Conference, 12 March 2010. Any councillors interested in attending should contact the Clerk. **ACTION: Councillors**

Item 24; The Clerk confirmed that the latest requirements by Southern Gas Networks are for work on Mole Road after Easter for 12 weeks. The Clerk will again confirm that access to the car park will be maintained, particularly on Polling days. **ACTION: Clerk**

6.2 Correspondence received since the issue of the agenda

Item N1; Community Café proposition; The Council asked R&A to follow up this proposal. The Clerk will arrange a meeting between the proposers and Cllrs Southgate, Plant and Wakefield. The Clerk will pass on Cllr Siggery's contact details regarding Social Enterprise funding.

ACTION: Clerk

Item N2; Bar & Catering proposition; The Council asked R&A to follow up this proposal. The Clerk will contact the proposer for initial talks.

ACTION: Clerk

Items N10 (&44); Cllr Southgate summarised the GP registration/boundaries questionnaire. Details are available from the Clerk.

Item N15; Winnersh Neighbourhood Update; Cllr Southgate will contact PCSO Nellie Williams to clarify the statistics. **ACTION: Cllr Southgate**

7 BOROUGH COUNCIL MATTERS

7.1 Cllr Bray reported that:

- 1) WBC's council tax will increase by 1.9% in 2010-11.
- 2) The Winnersh Station ticket machine has still not arrived.
The Clerk was asked to write to SW Trains for an urgent update on the progress of the installation. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 3) The new traffic lights at Winnersh Triangle are currently on timers. It is hoped that traffic movement will improve when they are based upon traffic flow.
- 4) WBC's electronic payment system is down this week and is being replaced by a new electronic payment/banking system.

8 PARISH COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

8.1 None.

9 LAST PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

9.1 The minutes of the meeting of 16 February 2010 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign them as a true record.

9.2 Cllr Grimson summarised the objections to application 2009/2554 on Bearwood Road. The Council discussed the scope of other gypsy pitches within WBC.

10 LAST R&A COMMITTEE MEETING

10.1 The minutes of the meeting of 2 March 2010 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign them as a true record. Cllr Wakefield signed the minutes in the absence of Cllr Plant.

10.3 Cllr Wakefield reported on the installation of the dropped kerbs and path on Mole Road. The WRFC season has been extended to 16 May due to the many postponements caused by the bad weather. Initial enquiries suggest that in principle the police and insurance company have no objections to the external toilet. The Litter Pick will be based at the Community Centre car park.

11 STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT LOCATIONS

11.1 The Clerk confirmed that no additional information has been received from WBC regarding traffic modelling.

11.2 The Council **RESOLVED** to comment on the Infrastructure SDL as follows:
- it is a major omission that there is no consideration of the impact of the developments on transport infrastructure outside the major development areas

- the Winnersh Relief Road will be needed to accommodate increased traffic volumes from the Wokingham and especially the Arborfield SDLs – it seems to be assumed that the relief road will be completed, yet this is dependent upon completion of the Hatch Farm development, which itself is outside the scope of the SDLs; a partial development of the Hatch Farm site would mean that the relief road is unlikely to be completed
- traffic modelling information has still not been made available (despite it having been requested) – this is needed in order to fully comment on the proposals
- the Council supports the proposal for a new Ashridge interchange, even if access is only to be in an eastwards direction, but considers that this will only have a small impact on traffic flows to the west of Wokingham and that a full interchange is needed **ACTION: Clerk**

11.3 The Clerk was asked to write to WBC to ask on what basis the SDL models include the full relief road. The council would like to receive models on traffic flow, especially at the Winnersh crossroads, *without* the relief road since it has no confidence that the relief road will be built. **ACTION: Clerk**

Cllr Bray left the meeting.

12 VILLAGE FETE 2010

12.1 Cllr Southgate summarised the progress of the Fete Working Group. This year's fete may include an "egg chucking competition" and a treasure hunt. Cllrs Armstrong and Plant and Jill Armstrong will contact local organisations and businesses.

12.2 Cllr Siggery volunteered to contact businesses on Winnersh Triangle, particularly SEGRO and Holiday Inn, and Cllr Hunt offered to help with this. **ACTION: Cllrs Siggery & Hunt**

12.3 Cllr Cooke will invite the emergency services. **ACTION: Cllr Cooke**

13 REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

13.1 Cllr Grimson attended a BALC meeting. There is a proposal to set up a Larger Councils' liaison group, which will include Winnersh. Thatcham has become a Quality Council.

13.2 Cllrs Southgate and Grimson attended the North Wokingham Consortium exhibition. There will be increased pressure on the road system whilst construction is in progress. The plans include noise mitigation and a reasonable density of housing.

13.3 Cllr Southgate attended a Rainbow Project Partnership meeting. He reported that phase 2 of the development of the Rainbow Centre as a Children's Centre has been cancelled due to lack of money.

14 APPROVAL OF THE MARCH ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

- 14.1 The Council noted the high British Gas bill and asked the Clerk to check the consumption figures on a historical and ongoing basis.
- 14.2 The Council **RESOLVED** to authorise Cllrs Grimson and Cooke to sign the BT Direct Debit mandate on its behalf.
- 14.3 It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Grimson and **SECONDED** by Cllr Cooke and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to pay the following accounts for March 2010.

WINNERSH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 9 March 2010 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT - MARCH 2010

Payee	Description	Amount	Ch.No.
Rushmoor Mechanical Services Ltd	Service boilers	293.75	6289
BT Payment Services Ltd	Quarterly Phone Bill	260.86	6290
Viking Direct	Stationery	38.36	6291
Yell Limited	Advertising	196.23	6292
ABA (Construction) Ltd	Monthly playground inspection	105.28	6293
Nick Robins Ltd	Monthly ground maintenance	564.00	6294
The Computer Doctor	Quarterly computer maintenance	44.06	6295
ADT Fire and Security plc	Yearly maintenance fire alarm Pavilion	234.78	6296
Berkshire Association of Local Councils	Yearly membership subscription 2010-11	1,128.19	6297
Biffa Waste Services Ltd	Waste service for 27/03/10 to 02/07/10	923.17	6298
D. Knight Esq.	Window cleaning Feb. and March	180.00	6299
John Southgate	Software update for website	39.95	6300
Berkshire Association of Local Councils	Training John Grimson and Clive Hudson	70.00	6301
Knockout Entertainments	deposit summer fair	100.00	6302
Berkshire Pest Control	Allotment pest control 2010-11	206.80	6303
Wokingham Air Training Corps	Fete 2009 donation - cheque re-issue	100.00	6304
Salaries (CH-SDG-AB-PB-KB)	Salaries	3,752.61	6305-6 6308-10
RBWM	Pension	344.40	6311
HM Revenue & Customs Only	Tax & NI	111.87	6312
Southern Electric	Electricity supply	290.00	DD
Wokingham Borough Council	Rates		no rates
Clunkclick	Internet back up storage	17.57	DD
Total for the month		<u>9,001.88</u>	
Gas bill taken out on 19 Feb 10			
British Gas	Gas bill 10 Nov 09 - 5 Feb 10	3,571.43	

15 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

- 15.1 Cllr Southgate reported that Cllr Wilkins would be unable to continue as an officer of the Council in May and that it would be appropriate for him to stand down as Chairman after three years in office. He asked Councillors to consider what role they might wish to take in the next Council year.
- 15.2 The Council asked the Clerk to invite the WBC Mayor to speak at the APM in May 2010.
ACTION: Clerk

16 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

16.1 The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 13 April 2010** at 7.45 in the John Grobler Room.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.31 p.m.

APPENDIX 1

Items of correspondence received prior to the issue of the 9 March 2010 Full Council Meeting Agenda

- 1 WBC; notice of adoption of the Core Strategy Development Plan Document
- 2 SLCC conference programme, 2010
- 3 Invitation to 'An Audience with the Royal Air Force', 10 March 2010 .
- 4 TVP; messaging, 11 February 2010
- 5 CCB Newsletter
- 6 WBC; Mayor's Charity Events, 10 April and 15 May 2010
- 7 LINK newsletter, February 2010
- 8 Action For All newsletter, 15 February 2010
- 9 Sue Ryder Care; thank you for grant
- 10 Keep Mobile; thank you for grant
- 11 WBC; Meeting of the Executive, agenda, 18 February 2010
- 12 WBC; Meeting of the Corporate Projects Overview and Scrutiny Panel, Agenda, 17 February 2010
- 13 WBC; Meeting of the Council, agenda, 18 February 2010
- 14 WBC Town & Parish News, January 2010
- 15 Rainbow Project Partnership Board, agenda, 17 February 2010
- 16 TVP; messaging, 15 February 2010
- 17 Wokingham CAB, link to BBC Radio Berkshire phone interview
- 18 WBC; invitation to Utilities presentation, 16 March 2010, inc Mole Road
- 19 TVP; In Your Neighbourhood newsletter, 18 February 2010
- 20 VAWB Training e-Bulletin, 16 February 2010
- 21 WBVSF Community Lunch, 4 March 2010
- 22 WBC; invitation and flyer for the WBSP Community Conference, 12 March 2010
- 23 WBC News, 18 February 2010
- 24 Southern Gas Network, do not need a gas governor kiosk
- 25 SLCC Larger Councils' Conference, 22/23 April 2010
- 26 Action For All Newsletter, 22 February 2010
- 27 LINK; request nomination to sit on LINK Steering Group.
- 28 WBC Staff Bulletin; 15 February 2010
- 29 WBC adopted Core Strategy Development Plan Document
And changes to the Proposals Map, January 2010
- 30 TVP; messaging, 11 February 2010
- 31 High Sheriff's Berkshire Spring Clean, 1 March to 11 April 2010
- 32 Open Spaces Society; newsletter and member survey
- 33 WBC News, 25 February 2010
- 34 TVP; In Your Neighbourhood newsletter, 25 February 2010
- 35 WBC; Local Amenity skip schedule, 2010-11
- 36 Peter Holland; request for update on parking on Danywern Drive
- 37 WBC; Meeting of the Planning Committee, agenda, 3 March 2010
- 38 Action For All Newsletter, 1 March 2010
- 39 WBC; Electoral register update, March 2010
- 40 Keep Mobile; Omnibus newsletter; Development Plan 2010-12
- 41 TVP; messaging, 1 March 2010

- 42 WBC; Meeting of the Standards Committee, agenda, 8 March 2010
- 43 WBC; Meeting of the Personnel Board, agenda, 8 March 2010
- 44 WBC; current consultations: Community Reparation Survey
and GP Access survey
- 45 Arborfield News, February / March 2010

Items of correspondence received since the issue of the 9 March 2010 Full Council Meeting Agenda

- N1 Lisa Lainsbury & Claire Pulleyn; proposal for Pavilion as coffee/snacks outlet
- N2 Dave Ally; interest in Bar & Catering facilities in Community Centre
- N3 Clerks and Councils Direct; March 2010
- N4 SLCC; The Clerk magazine, March 2010
- N5 SLCC; training programme 2010
- N6 NALC; LCR magazine, spring 2010
- N7 WBC News, annual review, spring 2010
- N8 WBC Tenant Services, Winnersh Walkabout, 24 March 2010
- N9 CCB Annual Conference; 8 July 2010
- N10 LINK; Choice of GP Consultation, from 4 March 2010 for 12 weeks
- N11 Action For All newsletter, 8 March 2010
- N12 WBC Transformation Update, 8 March 2010
- N13 Segro; Road Works and Traffic Signals update
- N14 TVP; PS Tim Woolford; apologies for no police presence at meetings
- N15 TVP; Winnersh Neighbourhood Update, 9 March 2010
- N16 Bill Clark; resignation from Winnersh Parish Council
- N17 WBC; Local Development Framework, Annual Monitoring Report 2009
- N18 WBC News; 4 March 2010
- N19 WBC Staff Bulletin; 26 February 2010
- N20 WBC Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, 10 March
- N21 TVP; In Your Neighbourhood, 3 March 2010