

## WHYTELEAFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting No 87 held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at 8.00pm  
in St Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe

### **Present:**

Cllr Alison Pannett (Chairperson)  
Cllr John Shannon  
Cllr Jeffrey Gray  
Cllr Celia Rudland (from 7.30)

### **Public questions**

Positive comments on Hornchurch Hill Well Farm Heights. A number of problems with Well Farm Heights have arisen and attempts made by residents to discuss with Dominion. It was agreed to write to Dominion. There is interest in forming and participating a Safe Neighbourhood Programme. **WPC to contact Neighbourhood Inspector Elaine Burtenshaw.**

**1. Apologies:** Cllr Michael Langman

**2. Declarations of Interest** – none

### **3. Minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009 Meeting & Matters Arising**

Minutes agreed as an accurate record.  
Councillor vacancies – some interest shown; consideration given to advertising.

**4. Questions tabled in advance** – none.

### **5. Finance**

The following cheques were authorised and signed:

St Luke's church hall hire £20.00 cheque no 213

A. Siddall, Grass2Long community garden maintenance March £45.00 cheque no 214

Clerk's salary £882.88 cheque no 210

Clerk's expenses £150.00 cheque no 211

PAYE £220.80 cheque no 212

SALC for clerks training day £766.04 cheque no 215

SALC/NALC annual membership renewal £766.04 cheque no 216

### **6. Planning**

#### **6.1 Planning Applications**

**Taxi Kiosk, Upper Warlingham Railway Station, Station Road TA/2008/1353** – no objections

**22 Westview Avenue TA/2009/155.** Taking into account concerns raised by residents, and following discussions by the council, it was resolved to raise the following

objections: highways (adopted road, storm drains, quality of road surface), parking, sewerage, impact on neighbouring properties.

**1 Torwood Lane, Whyteleafe TA/2009/169** – no objections.

**Whyteleafe Recreation Ground TA/2009/246** – it was agreed that **Cllr AP** will speak with Tandridge and invite them to talk with the parish council.

## **6.2 Planning Decisions**

**Thornbury Glen, Salmons Lane TA/2008/1678** – approved

**Wren Cottage, Salmons Lane TA/ 2008/1678** – refused

**Grindelwald, 5 The Avenue TA/2008/1750** – withdrawn

**33 Whyteleafe Hill TA/2009/2** – approved

## **6.3 Appeals - none**

## **6.4 Appeal Decisions**

**130-140 Godstone Road, Masons Yard TA/2009/111** – dismissed. It was agreed to write to residents who had made representations at parish council meeting (**Cllr JG** to draft).

## **7. Public Transport**

**Commuter Parking – Upper Warlingham, Network Rail proposed extension to car park**

**East Surrey Transport Committee (ESTC)**

Chris Kelley sent apologies, and provided a report of March ESTC meeting. Whoever wins the new franchise has to provide 1,000 parking spaces. Network Rail have noted this as an issue and will not take action until the new franchise is in place. They have noted that their proposal to remove screening and bank is not favoured by residents. It was decided to provide an update on the notice boards. Network Rail have had a change of planning personnel, which explains why no response has been received to letter of 13<sup>th</sup> February. They have committed to response within the next few days.

## **8. Highways**

**8.1 Community Gang - Cllr AP** is drafting a letter to Keith Fry about SCC highways – carry forward

**8.2 Church Road.** There was discussion about parking on Church Road: where there is no pavement and cars are parked on the road pedestrians have to walk even further out on the road. This is exacerbated by overgrown hedges. **Cllr CR** to draft something which can be sent to Keith Fry of Surrey County Council Highways. The other option discussed was whether the Community Gang could undertake the work over a few sessions. **Cllr AP** to contact SCCllr Sally Marks about the red barriers outside the church gate which have been there 6-8 months as this has been raised before with Surrey County Council.

## **9. Projects**

**9.1 Community Garden** – it was reported that this looks good and is being well used. One resident has specifically commented on the garden.

**9.2 Newsletter** – it was agreed not to print additional copies of the winter newsletter given timeliness.

**9.3 Community Support** – PCSO Rupert Kelley not present and therefore no report provided.

**9.4 Donations.** The tennis club now has sufficient funding to put in place CCTV, and it was therefore decided not to contribute more at this stage. A briefing had been provided by the Sea Cadets; it was resolved to provide £500.00 towards the mini-bus fund, on the condition that the Sea Cadets follow through on their intention to extend recruitment activity to Whyteleafe School. WPC would like to hear how they get on, and also about their efforts to recruit at Whyteleafe School.

The parish council can publicise the Sea Cadets and Air Cadet activities on notice boards.

The Air Cadets have sent information to Cllr AJP; there was discussion about making donation for a musical instrument. **Cllr AP** to investigate costs with Air Cadets.

There was discussion about making donations to the brownies and scouts, but it had proved difficult to make contact to find out more.

**9.5 British Legion.** Whyteleafe Parish Council's position regarding possible plans for the British Legion remains the same, which is that the Parish Council feels that a community centre for Whyteleafe is in principle is a good idea, and would be welcomed with further input from residents. The Parish Council is not at this time able to fund or manage such a venture; however, once external funding had been set up the Parish Council would look at ways it could support the centre. Parking remains a concern.

**Youth.** A letter has been sent to Tandridge asking for its response to RoSPA report that play equipment will last for less than 5 years.

## **10. Correspondence**

A Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment is to be carried out; views are being sought about methodology to consult. **Councillors to read.** Reply back to Tandridge is required by 5<sup>th</sup> May.

**11. Annual Meeting of the Council.** The church hall is available; date of meeting confirmed as 18<sup>th</sup> May. It was agreed that a talk about beekeeping in Whyteleafe would be of interest.

**Annual Parish Meeting** – date confirmed as 11<sup>th</sup> May. Nominations for chair and vice chair were invited.

**12. AOB – Urgent Matters as Previously Notified to the Chair** - none.

**13. Date of next meeting:** this will be the annual parish meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May, St Luke's Church.