

WHYTELEAFE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Meeting No. 75 held on Tuesday 12th February 2008 at 8.00pm
in St Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe**

Present:

Cllr Alison Pannett (Chairperson)
Cllr Rod Nash
Cllr Celia Rudland
Cllr David Rudland
Cllr Helen McDonnell
Cllr Bob McDonnell

TDCllr Jeffrey Gray
SCCllr Sally Marks

Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Rupert Kelly

1. Apologies:

Cllr Brian Hargreaves (work commitment)

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of Meeting of 8th January

Minutes agreed & signed.

Matters Arising

Bus shelter outside number 381 - Cllr DR has been told that the electricity company needs to move the electrics before the bus stop can be moved to outside 379 where the stop is. They will come back to WPC. **Cllr DR will email details** to SCCllr SM.

Whyteleafe middle roundabout – **Cllr AP to remind Cllr BH** to send details about response received.

4. Public Participation

There are some railings up and are rigorously enforcing people not walking when gliders are up.

Cllr SM reported that she has enquired about the vehicle activated speed sign and been told that it is in Caterham Hill. The member of the public outside whose house it will reportedly be and who had been written to will send copy of letter to Cllr SM. It was again noted that WPC had not been consulted.

Cllr RN has written expressing concern about whether the Council is putting additional in regards education. Cllr AP reported on email received in relation to developers giving money.

5. Planning

5.1 No major applications

5.2 No planning decisions. Whyteleafe Hill still outstanding. 29th February is date for decision.

5.3 No new appeals.

6. Public Transport

Cllr RN has been asked by a resident about buying a small part of the embankment, Sunny Dene Road, Kenley, which is owned by Southern. It was agreed to **raise with Chris Kelly at next meeting.**

It was reported that some trains are at short notice not stopping at small stations, with announcements at Purley to that effect. **Contact Chris Kelly urgently before next meeting.**

7. Highways

7.1 Community Gang Work

Need to keep an eye on hedges on pathways around the school – OK at moment as growth slow at this time of year.

7.2. Whyteleafe Roundabouts

Wapses Lodge roundabout work now under way.

Travel Lodge – lorries are parking outside at night and blocking the cycle lane. **PCSO RK will report.**

7.3 Pelican Crossings

Work starting shortly.

Maple Road due to start 8th February.

The crossing by the level crossing needs repairing (edging tiles are being knocked off). **Cllr SM will report.**

7.4 Off Street Parking

Tandridge will be reviewing the charges and conditions of its Off Street Car Parks, and comments have been invited. Cllr RN has spoken with Tandridge Amenity Services in regard to their invitation to discuss proposed off street parking changes about the siting of the ticket machine.

TDCllr JG has been contacted by a new resident in Hillbury Road to ask why they have to pay £200 whereas “old” residents are paying £100.

SCCllr SM reported an influx of parking near Woldingham and asked if Whyteleafe Parish has noticed the same. This may be because of change of parking regime in Oxted with people as a result parking further down the line. **Write to Tandridge and point out that parking is getting worse.**

TDCllr JG said that there is talk about developing a parking strategy, and that the public should be consulted. WPC will ask to be part of the consultation for the strategy.

PCSO RP reported that he always check if a vehicle is parked blocking a residence whether it belongs to owner and if necessary leaves a note

It was reported that there is a problem in St Luke’s Mews by the school. People also park in Hornchurch.

7.5 HGVs

LORDS are inviting Parish Councils to report instances where HGVs are using inappropriate roads or other incidents. The meeting noted that HGVs use Hillbury Road and Tythepit, that there are problems for gas supplies, and that lorries using Whyteleafe Hill can disturb residents going over speed bumps at night. **It was agreed to cover this in a future edition of the newsletter.**

8. Projects

8.1 Community Garden

Community garden – chicken wire now on steps, so non-slide.

8.2 Newsletter

Mock up of newsletter presented. Cllrs AP and CR to proof read. Printing of 1500 copies by 21st February. Distribution by end February.

8.3 Community Support

PCSO RK reported a large reduction in burglaries December – January (mostly opportunistic) - will bring figures for next meeting.

PCSO RK has given suggestions for events to involve the public.

WPC could host one of the Tandridge Police Action Forum.

PCSO RK's surgeries at the BP garage are 5 - 6.30 Mondays and 12.30 – 2.00 Fridays. He was asked if he could do the occasional surgery at the Total Garage. Surgeries can be publicised on notice boards and in the newsletter.

8.4 Street Names. No possible street names were suggested. It was reported that the decision to invite parish councils to put forward names for streets is being questioned.

8.5 LCR newsletter (the journal for the National Association of Local Councils) - agreed to subscribe and the sum of £14.00 for 6 issues a year was approved.

8.6 Postwatch/post office closures. Whyteleafe is not affected.

9. Parish Plan

Not sure if there is enough money to print in full colour. Costings are being obtained. It will be published on the website.

10. Tandridge Core Strategy

Cllrs CR and RN will read and provide comments.

It was noted that Whyteleafe has provided a lot of input, particularly from one resident.

11. Standards Committee

Letter was provided to each councillor on dealing with the press attributing inaccurate comments.

12. Local Elections

Timetable provided at the meeting, and has been put on the noticeboards. Leaflets publicising the forthcoming election were handed out at the meeting, for distribution, and have been put onto the notice boards. Cllr AP has packs providing more details for interested persons. Tandridge have advised that the approximate cost of the election will be £2,000.

13. Correspondence - none

14. Date & Venue of next meeting

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 11th March 2008 in St Luke's Main Entrance.

16. AOB – Urgent Matters as Previously Notified to the Chairperson - none