

# **Whyteleafe Parish Council**

## **Minutes of Meeting No. 59 held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2006 at 8.00pm in St. Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe**

### **Present:**

Cllr David Rudland (Chairman)      Cllr Gillian Johnson  
Cllr Helen McDonnell                  Cllr Brian Hargreaves  
Cllr Rod Nash                              Cllr Bob McDonnell  
Cllr Celia Rudland

### **In attendance:**

Joanne O'Connell (Clerk)  
SCCllr Sally Marks  
TDCllr Jeffrey Gray

### **1. Apologies**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **2. Minutes of Meeting No. 58 held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2006 and Matters Arising**

These were agreed by the Parish Council and signed by Cllr D. Rudland. The Clerk read out the letter from Derek Poole, the Local Transportation Manager regarding parking in Whyteleafe. He explained that parking strategies and schemes for the Tandridge area would not be considered until September 2006, when Decriminalisation of Parking Enforcement (DPE) should be in place. SCCllr Marks said that there were 19 parking enforcement schemes in Caterham and the surrounding area waiting for consideration following DPE. Any clear case of parking blocking a road should be notified to the police.

### **3. Public Participation**

A member of public requested that a poster be put on the noticeboard, and he also reported concerns that some items on the garden noticeboard were out of date. Cllr D. Rudland replied that there was a problem gaining access to the noticeboard, due to a fault with the noticeboard. The Parish Council agreed to stick a new backing board into the noticeboard in the hopes that this would rectify the problem. The Parish Councillors also agreed to put up the poster as requested. **DR**

### **4. Planning**

#### **4.1 Rose and Crown, Godstone Road (APP/L5240/A/06/1197989) Appeal to Secretary of State by developers**

The Parish Councillors asked for a letter to be sent reiterating the content of the original letter of objection to the Croydon Council. The Parish Councillors requested that the letter be sent to them by e-mail, and all future correspondence from the Parish Council. **JO**

#### **4.2 14 – 26 Court Bushes Road, Whyteleafe (TA/2006/281)**

The Parish Councillors agreed that they were generally in support of the application, and felt that it could help to improve parking in the area. The Clerk was asked to

contact the Planning Officer to obtain more information about the allocated parking on the proposed development. It was suggested that the developer could be asked to provide some money to help improve parking on Court Bushes Road. **JO**

### **4.3 275 – 277 Godstone Road, Whyteleafe (TA/2004/1301/D)**

The Clerk reported that the above application had been granted planning permission.

The Clerk agreed to chase the response to the letter regarding the concerns over the Well Farm Heights Development. **JO**

## **5. Public Transport**

There have been a number of complaints about the length of time that the level crossing barriers remain down at Whyteleafe and Whyteleafe south stations. Chris Kelly has raised the matter with the East Surrey Transport Committee, and reported that the level crossing barriers at Whyteleafe station are on a single line circuit and are controlled from Whyteleafe South Station. Once a train has left Caterham station, it is not possible for the station controller to know exactly where the train is. In order to allow for a three-mile breaking distance the level crossing barrier has to remain down for what seems a relatively long time.

There has been an application to Transport for London for the 434 bus to extend its route to the Post Office in Whyteleafe or to stop at Upper Warlingham station.

Chris Kelly also reported that the Freedom Pass can be used in zone 6.

## **6. Highways**

### **6.1 Gateway Signs**

The Parish Councillors approved the location for the new gateway sign coming southbound into Whyteleafe. The Clerk was asked to get quotes for planting and maintaining the planters directly underneath the signs. **JO**

### **6.2 Parking**

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

## **7. Projects**

### **7.1 Whyteleafe Community Garden**

#### **7.1.1 Quotes for Maintenance**

Cllr B. McDonnell agreed to obtain quotes for the maintenance of the garden. **BM**  
Cllr Nash agreed to look into replacing the fence. **RN**

## **8. Sponsorship and Website**

The Parish Councillors agreed to meet before the Parish Council meeting in April to move this item forward.

## **9. Correspondence**

### **9.1 Surrey Waste Plan Consultation**

The Clerk gave copies of the document to each Parish Councillor for completion.

### **9.2 Surrey Village of the Year Competition**

The Parish Councillors agreed to discuss this at the website and sponsorship meeting.

### **9.3 Consultation of the maintenance of parks and open spaces in Tandridge**

The Clerk was asked to forward the e-mail to the Parish Councillors, and to write to TDC saying that the maintenance of Whyteleafe Recreation Ground and Manor Park was good. **JO**

### **10. Dates for Annual Meetings**

It was agreed to hold the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May, and the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

### **11. Date and Venue of Next Meeting**

Cllr D. Rudland explained that he would no longer be able to attend meetings held on Wednesday. The Parish Councillors agreed to change the dates of the monthly Parish Council meetings to the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2006 at 8.00pm in the entrance to St. Luke's Church.

### **11. AOB – Urgent matters as previously notified to the Chairman**

No items were raised.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.