

Whyteleafe Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting No. 61 held on Tuesday 9th May 2006 at 8.00pm in St. Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe

Present:

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

In attendance:

Joanne O'Connell (Clerk)
SCCllr Sally Marks
TDCllr Sakina Bradbury

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr G. Johnson and TDCllr J. Gray.

2. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Cllr D. Rudland was nominated by Cllr B. McDonnell as Chairman; this was seconded by Cllr Hargreaves. There were no other nominations. Cllr D. Rudland was voted as Chairman of the Parish Council.

Cllr B. McDonnell was nominated by Cllr D. Rudland as Vice-Chairman; this was seconded by Cllr C. Rudland. There were no other nominations. Cllr B. McDonnell was voted as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council.

3. Minutes of Meeting No. 60 held on 11th April 2006 and Matters Arising

The Minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed by Cllr D. Rudland.

Cllr C. Rudland reported that she had looked at the Surrey Village of the Year website, and felt that the Parish Council needed to do more research before considering applying.

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Rayners estate agents in Whyteleafe, and they have agreed to hold the planning applications for a trial period.

The Clerk also reported that it was possible to have litter bins at bus stops. The Parish Councillors will consider this at their next meeting.

4. Public Participation

A member of public reported that cars were parking halfway on the pavement on St. Luke's Road, particularly during school drop off and pick up times. This made it difficult for people to walk on the pavement or people with pushchairs or wheelchairs to get past. Cllr C. Rudland will raise this with the local school. The Parish Council also asked the Clerk to report the problem to the police and Surrey Highways. **JO**

SCCllr S. Marks offered to look into the possibility of introducing double yellow lines on the road.

5. Planning

5.1 Planning Applications

5.1.1 Rose and Crown, Godstone Road (TA/2006/603/C)

The Clerk read out the letter from the architect responsible for drawing up the plans for the application. There was concern from members of the public and the Parish Councillors about the height and lack of character of the buildings. The buildings were also out of character with the surrounding area. The Clerk was asked to write a letter of objection to the London Borough of Croydon and TDC, and to write to the architect.

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5.1.2 Travelodge, Godstone Road (TA/2006/511)

The Parish Councillors were concerned about the proposed size of the illuminated signs for the building, and that illuminated signs were out of character for the area. The Clerk was asked to write a letter of objection to TDC.

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5.2 Planning Decisions

5.2.1 14-26 Court Bushes Road, Whyteleafe

The Clerk reported that this application had been turned down.

6. Public Transport

Chris Kelly reported that she would be attending the East Surrey Transport Committee meeting on Wednesday 10th May. The Parish Council asked her to report the problem of increased parking in Whyteleafe due to the extension of the zone 6 travel pass. This has particularly affected Station Road.

Cllr Nash asked Mrs Kelly to report the bin which has been taken out next to the footbridge on Westhall Road.

7. Highways

TDCllr Bradbury reported that she will follow up the complaints about potholes on Salmons Lane.

SCCllr Marks asked the Parish Council to consider which roads in Whyteleafe have problems with parking.

A member of public complained about horse dung on the pavement on Hornchurch Hill. The Clerk was asked to report this to TDC.

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8. Projects

8.1 Whyteleafe Community Garden

Cllr B. McDonnell reported that a gardener was now employed twice a month to maintain the garden. The Parish Councillors agreed to spend up to £25 on planting the raised beds.

The Parish Councillors discussed the problems with the noticeboard in the Community Garden. The Clerk was asked to write a letter of complaint to the company. SCCllr Marks suggested fixing a metal sheet at the back of the inside of the noticeboard. Cllr C. Rudland agreed to look into this.

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8.2 Hanging Baskets

The Parish Councillors agreed to twelve hanging baskets (fewer than last year due to the drought), filled with drought resistant plants. **JO**

9. Newsletter

Cllr B. McDonnell reported that the newsletter is in production. Chris Kelly agreed to write a short article on the 60th anniversary of Whyteleafe Football Club.

10. Correspondence

10.1 Insurance renewal

The Parish Councillors agreed to renew the insurance for this year with Allianz Cornhill.

10.2 Donation request from East Surrey Museum

The Parish Councillors agreed a donation of £150.00.

10.3 Tomorrow’s Tnadridge Meeting

Cllr H. McDonnell agreed to attend this meeting on Tuesday 23rd May. **HM**

11. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 23rd May 2006. The meeting will be held in the transept of St. Luke’s Church, Whyteleafe. There will be no Parish Council meeting in June.

12. AOB – Urgent matters as previously notified to the Chairman

The Parish Council asked Allan Kelly if he would carry out the internal audit of the Parish Council accounts for the previous financial year. He kindly agreed to do this.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm.

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