

WHYTELEAFE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Meeting No. 75 held on Tuesday 13th November at 8.00pm
in St Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe**

Present:

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

SCCllr Sally Marks

Apologies:

TDCllr Jeffrey Gray
TDCllr Sakina Bradbury

2. Declarations of Interest

None

4. Clerk vacancy

Cllr AP officially introduced Helen Mouldsley as the newly appointed Clerk. Cllr AP will continue to act as Responsible Financial Officer until HM trained up. Cllr AP will set up official clerk email and mailbox and distribute details to the Councillors

3. Minutes of Meeting of 19th October & Matters Arising

Minutes agreed & signed

5. Public Participation

The central reservation outside the Travelodge is a mess. SCCllr SM has spoken with Highways and suggested bark chippings to discourage growth. The hedge is to be cut back or removed for safety of sight lines. Suggestions included widening the central reservation, and extending the barrier to prevent traffic turning right out of Wells Farms Heights. SCCllr SM will forward requests. SCCllr SM said that more people should complain to Highways. Hillbury Road crossing/ traffic calming is being looked at for 2010/2011. SCCllr SM reported a moratorium in the next couple of years has been suggested to concentrate on pot holes and tarmac which could delay further actions being taken.

Well Farm Heights crossing – awaiting start date from developer (no timescale written into the contract).

Rose and Crown development. TFL recommended that the crossing be in Surrey; SCCllr SM wants this to be moved north into the Croydon section. ***SCCllr would like any WPC comments about the type or positioning of the crossing in the next few days.***

6. Planning

6.1 Planning Applications

New Applications – no public disapproval.

Behind **13 Hillbury Road** – renewal of application for flats. Cllr RN has visited and had no responses from local residents. He pointed out the discrepancy in the number of parking spaces. ***WPC to send letter*** querying reduced parking, and why it is just a renewal (now three storeys).

Westhall Road Yard. Another renewal consent. No objection received from the public.

391 Godstone Road. Application for detached house (currently a single storey boarded up property). WPC welcome this as an improvement.

6.2 Planning Decisions

2 Westview Avenue – refused. Now going to appeal.

6.3 Appeals

2 Westview Avenue (now called Bedford Lodge) – appealed. Highways have given the go ahead. **WPC will object.** There was a discussion about whether Highways have gone and looked at the traffic. SCCllr pointed out that Highways use a national traffic formula and that they will have considered this.

Kenley Aerodrome fence. Croydon and Tandridge have rejected; it will now go to appeal. **WPC to send letter. WPC to contact Croydon Councillor Steve O’Connell to see if any joint action is to be taken.**

Land at rear 246-250 Godstone Road. Appeal has been withdrawn.

136 Rickmans Place (Masons Yard). Second application rejected by TDC. **WPC to write letter of objection.**

6.4 Appeal Decisions

Whyteleafe House – refused. **Invite Comer Homes to talk with WPC** to discuss what sort of development WPC would like to see.

7. Public Transport

No update from Chris Kelly.

Cllr BH commented on the length of time the barrier at the crossing is down. **WPC to ask Chris Kelly** to raise this at the transport meetings.

Bus stop outside 381 Godstone Road. Cllr DR reported that this has still not moved. SCCllr SM to look into this.

8. Highways

8.1 Community Gang Work

Nothing reported. Cllr AP asked people to inform the clerk of any works needing doing.

7.2. Whyteleafe Roundabouts

No reply from SCC. Cllr BH will forward details to SCCllr SM.

9. Projects

9.1 Hanging Baskets

Summer ones removed; Cllr AP has ordered winter ones. Extra baskets have to be approved by SCC. These will be put up subject to budget.

9.2 Community Garden

No issues. The suggestion of planting crocuses was agreed.

9.3 Newsletter

Produce in January, for distribution in February. SCCllr SM will provide latest information about crossings.

9.4 Noticeboards

To be erected in the next 2 weeks, weather permitting. The clerk will hold the keys.

9.5 Railings

These are now up and will be painted. Cllr RN to get a date when will be completed, and to inform Cllr AP when payment is required.

10. 2008/2009 Budget

Meeting to discuss next year's precept 20th November at 7.45 at Cllr AP's.

11. Parish Plan Meeting

Plan is ready, and consideration being given to how it will be published. Cllr HMcD to speak with Mike Simpson again.

12. Correspondence

- Cllr AP reported that planning applications will again be held at Caterham Valley library
- It was agreed to join the Surrey Playing Field Association. The clerk to give an appraisal of benefits at next meeting.

13. Date & Venue of next meeting

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 11th December in St Luke's Transept.

14. AOB

It was reported that gypsies/travellers are in the area again. SCCllr to find out the alert line. Ask TDCllr Jeffery Gray and TDCllr Sakina Bradbury about Manor Park.