

## WHYTELEAFE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of meeting No 94 held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 8.00pm in St Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe

#### **Present:**

Cllr Alison Pannett (Chairperson)  
Cllr John Shannon  
Cllr Michael Langman  
Cllr Celia Rudland

#### **Public questions - none**

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Joe Angell

2. **Declarations of Interest - None**

3. **Minutes of the Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> October 2009 and Matters Arising**

Minutes amended and then signed as an accurate record.

#### **4. Finance**

**4.1 Payments** – Cheques signed for

St Luke's Hall (hall hire) £20.00 cheque no 246

Grass2Long (community garden) £45.00 cheque no 247

Howe Green Nursery (hanging baskets) £1519.26 cheque no 249

NKodIT (website services) £87.60 cheque no 251

**4.2 Financial Regulations** – financial regulations adopted.

**4.3 Budget** – Date for working meeting to draft budget: 16<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00

#### **5. Planning**

**5.1 Planning Applications** - none

**5.2 Planning Decisions** - St Lukes Hall TA/2009/790. The reasons cited by Tandridge were: "The proposed development by reason of its scale, siting and relationship to the site boundaries would appear as a cramped form of development appearing dominant and overpowering within the locality and for reasons failing to respect the character and appearance of the area. It would also significantly harm the amenities of neighbouring properties by reason of overlooking from the roof terrace. In addition the refuse facilities are inappropriate thus failing to create a satisfactory living environment for future occupiers.

The development does not provide a minimum of 20% CO2 reduction through the use of on site renewable energy."

**5.3 Appeals** – none

**5.4 Decisions** – none

**5.5 Statement of Community Involvement (Planning)** – involvement with Tandridge in preparing planning policies, guidance, and consideration of planning applications.

**Cllr AP will look at this** and respond after 16<sup>th</sup> November, and will ensure that residents affected will be consulted. DCllr SB suggested that the parish plan should be taken into consideration.

## **6. Public Transport**

**6.1 Commuter parking** - Southern/Govia have emailed to apologise for not responding to letter from Whyteleafe Parish Council. They have advised that they have not yet decided what size or design of car park extension they will be proposing for Upper Warlingham station. They indicated that they want to work with the council to find a solution and will make contact when they have more advanced plans. **WPC to remind Southern in January 2010.**

See also 7.3 below – Hillbury Road parking.

**6.2 Update from Chris Kelly, representative on East Surrey Transport Committee.** Chris Kelly said that she raises parking at Upper Warlingham station at each meeting of the East Surrey Transport Committee (6.1 above). There are now three 407 buses an hour on Sundays, and every evening during the week. The next meeting of the Committee is Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

**6.3 Bus consultation exercise by Surrey County Council.** No one is available to attend the Passenger Transport Assembly meeting 13<sup>th</sup> November. This is a preliminary meeting. It was noted that most buses in Whyteleafe are TfL.

## **7. Highways**

### **7.1 Community Gang work**

Pick up barrier in Hornchurch Hill and wooden pallet. Ask the community gang to brushwood kill the ash stump outside the Whyteleafe sign, otherwise it keeps re-growing. Community gang visits will now be 9 weekly (from 6 weekly). It was reported that Surrey County Council do look at roads as a whole.

**7.2 Church Road** – it was agreed to request a site meeting with Surrey County Council to discuss the various issues associated with Church Road. Church Road should be part of “safe routes to school”.

**7.3 Highways Working Party.** – Cllr JS & Cllr AP attended a highways meeting.

**Hillbury Road parking** was discussed at the meeting. One suggestion was no parking for one hour during the day; Whyteleafe Parish Council said that as there is nowhere else for residents to move their vehicles to (other than to the park) this was not desirable. WPC advised that residents would like resident permit parking. The following was explained at the meeting: that parking needs to be self supporting financially; the number of houses affected is small and therefore a scheme could cost £100.00 each per year; anyone who does not want to participate would have nowhere to park during that hour.

**It was agreed that** Whyteleafe Parish Council will put together a newsletter for residents and also put something on the website covering the above points (**Cllr JS**).

## **8. Projects**

**8.1 Community Garden** – **Cllr CR** will research suitable shrubs to go against the chain link fence and how many needed, eg escallonia, cotoneaster both are evergreen and grow relatively fast. The next step will then be to get some prices.

**8.2 Community support** – PCSO not present, no report. Next police panel is 14<sup>th</sup> November.

**8.3 Newsletter** – Cllr JA not at meeting; he has sent an update saying that he is working on the newsletter. Most likely date to go out is January. Chris Kelly to provide something on the 407 bus service for the newsletter.

**8.4 Friends of Kenley Aerodrome.** Cllr CR attended the last meeting. Nothing has yet been resolved. Fence is up for a trial period. A new notice board is being planned.

## **9. Correspondence**

**9.1 Mental Health Training** – questionnaire to consider need for training. Whyteleaf Parish Council does not have any groups which might benefit.

**9.2 Future of Marie Curie Hospice** – consultation exercise on what to do with the building. Whyteleaf Parish Council has no views it wishes to put. WPC has been invited to the Lights to Remember service.

**9.3 DisabledGo.** Guide of 500 shops, restaurants, facilities, etc. Also website: [www.disabledgo.com/en/org/tandridge-district-council](http://www.disabledgo.com/en/org/tandridge-district-council). **It was agreed** to put something into the newsletter.

### **Additional correspondence coming in after agenda issued:**

Future of Sheltered Housing – Tandridge are holding discussion groups – poster to go onto notice board.

**Traffic Regulation Order - Off-Street Parking Places.** From 11<sup>th</sup> December onwards Tandridge would like to make all day parking free on Saturdays in Station Road car park. This is part of an initiative to help local traders, which includes other selected parts of Tandridge. **Whyteleaf Parish Council agreed to contact Tandridge** to say that the 3 hour limit should stand otherwise people travelling into London on Saturdays may utilise this car park, thereby reducing the availability of spaces for local shoppers.

**Surrey Minerals Plan.** This does not affect Whyteleaf directly. Callers CR and JS will look at the plan again.

**Caterham Bourne.** The Environment Agency have issued a notice (sent only to Tandridge for display) about demaining parts of the river Bourne, thereby changing responsibilities. Tandridge had responded raising concerns and copying Whyteleaf Parish Council. **DCllr Sakina Bradbury** will look into this as district councillor, as will **Cllr CR** for the parish council (only a small area of Whyteleaf is affected).

**10. Recruitment of councillors.** Ways of publicizing vacancies were discussed. Advertisement has appeared on notice board and on the website. **It was agreed that** an article would go into The Caterham Link (**Cllr AP** to draft wording).

## **11. AOB**

There is a market the last Saturday of each month in the car park of the Whyteleaf Tavern. Tables are free. It was suggested that the landlord be invited to come talk to the Parish Council.

**12. Date of next meeting: 14<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm. Police community panel at 7pm.**