REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Parish Hall on 11 November 2014 starting at 8.00pm and concluding at 10.25pm

PRESENT: Clirs John Halsall (Chairman),

Richard Fletcher Alison Barraclough

Sue Laing John Merkel Darrel Poulos Peter Sly

Clerk: Ann Hooton

2 members of the public

55/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Peter Grace

56/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Rebecca Bird, Neighbourhood Planner, WBC, gave a presentation on Neighbourhood Plans and explained the ways in which WBC might be able to provide information and support.

Cllr Fletcher **AGREED** to take notes at the consultation event on 2 December in order to provide documentary evidence of consultation. Cllr Laing reported that she had received a good response to the invitation to the launch of the web site and will itemise these for the Council. An attendance list will be available for signing.

As the Parish Council owns the website which it hosts for other organisations, it was **AGREED** that a committee comprising the Chairman, Cllr Poulos and Cllr Laing would be convened to be responsible for its overall governance. (5 in favour; Cllr Laing abstained).

The Chairman was not prepared to share email addresses of residents with other organisations. The Clerk recommended that the Parish Council registers with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) as the Data Controller.

57/14 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Poulos declared an interest in agenda item 7, planning application for 1 Horseshoe Cottages.

58/14 MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 14 October 2014

It was **AGREED** that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

59/14 ACTION LIST

- a) Bench on the Hill; It was AGREED that the Clerk will continue to seek quotations to carry out the work.
- Notice Boards; This will be taken off the agenda until Cllr Grace is able to deal with the matter.

60/14 PLANNING

The following responses were AGREED;

VAR/2014/2091 Kilgerran, Wargrave Road; Application to vary condition 1 of planning consent to allow for minor changes. No Comment

 F/2014/2294

1 Horseshoe Cottages, Remenham Hill; proposed resiting of vehicular access from rear side (A4130) including new cross over

and entrance gates

No Comment

F/2014/2310

Park Place Farm, Remenham Hill; Proposed erection of single storey rear and side extensions to dwellings, plus glazed covering

to rear patio. Removal of existing patio.

No Comment

TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS 61/14

a) The Chairman reported that he had brought several issues to the

attention of Wokingham Parish Council.

b) Remenham Lane hedges; a complaint was received regarding the damage caused to hedges by parked cars in Remenham Lane. The view was expressed that it was difficult to enforce parking unless the highway was blocked. It was AGREED that the parking bays would be retained. The Chairman commented that the creation of verges would help to protect the hedges as a gully had now formed although he also believed that flooding would increase as a result.

RIGHTS OF WAY 62/14

No response or acknowledgement has been received from Rebecca Walkley (WBC) regarding the alignment of footpath signs in times of flooding. This has been brought to the attention of WBC.

FINANCIAL MATTERS 63/14

The following cheques were authorised for payment:

Steve Hounsome; Website design £500.00 592

593 Website Hosting

The RF)O reported that there were estimated balances of £45,000

WOKINGHAM ISSUES 64/14

a) Local Amenity Waste Collection; This facility has now been lost, having been cancelled by Wokingham Borough Council. Remaining options are for the Parish Council to pay for a skip or a caged vehicle to collect waste or to agree to the provision of recycling banks. A WBC officer will attend the next meeting to discuss alternatives.

b) Planning training; it was AGREED that Cllrs Fletcher, Laing and Halsall

would attend this event on 26 November 2014.

OTHER MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA 65/14

a) Resignation of Clerk; This was received and she was thanked for her work on behalf of the Council.

b) Appointment of Clerk; It was AGREED that Paul Sermon would be appointed as Clerk from 1 December 2014. There will be a handover period until the end of December.

c) Change of meeting dates; The Chairman proposed that, starting in 2015, meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month. No objections.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 66/14

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on 9 December 2014 at 8.00pm in the Parish Hall

......Chairman Signed.....

9 December 2014