

REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Hall on 11 Oct 2016 starting at 8:00pm
and finishing at 10:08pm (circulated 12 Oct 2016)

PRESENT: Cllrs John Halsall (JH; Chairman)
Richard Fletcher (RF; Deputy Chairman)
Franky Cookson (FC)
Peter Grace (PG)
John Merkel (JM)
Clerk: Paul Sermon

In attendance:
Chris Leeming (CL)
W.Merkel
Bob Nancarrow (BN)
Felicity Rutland (FR)
Pat Sly (PSI)
Alastair Lloyd (AL; Thames Valley Police)

160/16: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies from
Alison Barraclough (AB)
Darrel Poulos (DP)

161/16: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

PG declared an interest in 166/16 (Whitehill Farm); no other declarations of interest were made.

162/16: MINUTES OF THE MEETING

It was AGREED that the Deputy Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 13 Sept 2016 as a true record of that meeting.

163/16: MATTERS ARISING

It was decided to ask PSI to seek Parish Hall agreement on the wall-mounted pull-down projector screen, similar to an example provided. There were no other Matters Arising other than those appearing in the agenda of this meeting.

164/16: THAMES VALLEY POLICE (TVP)

Having introduced himself, AL, described policing developments in Bracknell/Wokingham. He thought that TVP could provide more Remenham-specific information for the website and Newsletter and would endeavour to interact/engage even better with Remenham. JM asked about typical response times. TVP encouraged Neighbourhood Watch and Speed Watch schemes. The Chairman said that residents already looked out for each other. It was AGREED that the Speed Watch scheme might be useful. It was AGREED that RPC would contribute £200 to TVP.

165/16: NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP)

FR said that the analysis of the NP questionnaire was about 50% complete. It was AGREED that the NP would change to reflect the current climate and the questionnaire feedback and that for the moment FC should ask Steve Hounscome (SH) to delete the present version from the website.

166/16/16: PLANNING

On 162288 (Malmesbury; private polo facility) JH suggested that (since most of RPC-recommended conditions had been accepted by the applicant) he should drop RPC's listing. PG expressed some reservations, but JH's suggestion was AGREED.

Signed.....Chairman

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On 162686/162676 (Unit 7/8; Whitehill Farm) the meeting considered comments from BN, aerial photographs of the site over a period of years, statements in the application and information from Companies House. It appeared that sites 7/8 were open spaces rather than buildings. It was thought that these may not have been in continuous use for over 10 years on the present scale and that present working may not be compliant with WBC conditions. The possibility of a visit to the site was mentioned. RPC was also concerned that an application for an even larger facility with a wider range of inputs might appear in the future. It was AGREED that The Clerk would write to WBC Planning indicating RPC's concerns.

It was AGREED on 162707 (Century House) that the application was a small variation on what had already been approved and that The Clerk should write to WBC Planning to indicate that RPC had no comments.

On 162367/368 (Stonebridge) it was noted that there were a worrying number of enforcement notices on this. RPC AGREED that The Clerk would write to WBC Planning to indicate that it objected to these applications.

167/16: WEBSITE

The Clerk reported data from SH on recent usage of the website over the last month. RPC noted that FC was now in charge of the website, while The Clerk was responsible for compliance issues and SH terms.

168/16: LICENSING;

CL raised concerns about the Rewind Festival.

169/16: TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS

The Chairman described initiatives to improve air quality in Henley where DP had made a good contribution. CL suggested any scheme would need to ensure that lorries could turn onto the bridge as they headed for Remenham. JH also outlined the situation of RAG, WBC Highways, bollards and bulb planting. PSI said that the lane to the Parish Hall appeared to have no name; JH AGREED to speak to relevant WBC Staff on the matter.

170/16: WOKINGHAM, HENLEY AND FOOTPATH ISSUES

There were no additional matters to discuss.

171/16: FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following cheques were signed

000636	£ 73.56	Toad hall/RAG
000637	£ 45.00	Open Spaces
000638	£120.00	Mazars

It was suggested that if there were issues with WBC Highways, bollards and bulb planting then expenditure through RAG might need to be re-visited.

172/16: MATTER TO REPORT AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS;

There was no other business.

173/16: DATE OF NEXT MEETING

8th Nov 2016 at 8pm in the Parish Hall.

Signed.....Chairman
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ACTIONS:

JH to

de-list 162288

talk to WBC Staff about the name of the lane to the Parish Hall

seek more information on Speed Watch

FC to request NP removal from the website

PS to seek agreement from the Parish Hall on the projector screen

The Clerk to

contact WBC Planning on 162686/676, 162707 and 162367/368

send cheques 000636/637/638

Signed.....Chairman
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