

## WARBLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Warbleton Parish Council held on Thursday 19 April 2012 at 7pm in The Dunn Village Hall, Rushlake Green.

**Present:** Councillors – B. Whitton (Chairman), N. Richards, Mrs K Cook, Mrs S Ralph, R Tratt, D. Turton, Mrs K Jones, D Powell, C Wells.

**East Sussex County Council** – Councillor Bentley and Councillor Simmons  
**Wealden District Council** – None present.

**Clerk** – Mrs M Smith

**Members of the Public** - Two members of the public were present ,

**12/023 Apologies for Absence** - Councillors C Jervis Read.  
ESCC -Councillor R Thomas

**12/024 Declarations of interest** - No declarations of interest where expressed

**12/025 Minutes**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2012 having been previously circulated were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**12/026 Matters Arising** – No matters arising

**12/027 Public Adjournment** – Jonathan Austin reported problem with overhanging hedges on the roads within the Parish. He was advised that the Parish are compiling a list of hedgerows that require attention and letters are to be sent soon.  
He also reported the drain problem at Springfield Farm in Rookery Lane into Colliers Green, this had been reported to ESCC.  
Pothole outside Watermill Cottage, Kingsley Hill Road and drain at corner of Marklye and Flitterbrook Lane is broken, these are to be reported to ESCC.

**12/028 Reports**

**(a) East Sussex County Council** - Councillor Simmons reported that following on from the SLR meeting held the speed scheme at Punnetts Town and Three Cups is going ahead.

Details of the revised plans will be to Warbleton Parish Council soon. Utilities works are being carried out on the Battle Road at Three Cups when these works are completed and a three day operation is planned for August 2012 to resurface the area.

Councillor Bentley reported that Foster Care and Children Social Care within East Sussex have been graded as outstanding in all six areas covered – OFSTAL – very proud to be involved with the adoption process.

Thanks were expressed by Cllr Whitton and Cllr Wells for the work undertaken by ESCC Councillors on behalf of the Parish.

**(b) Wealden District Council** – No Councillors present – this was felt to be disappointing.

**(c) Dunn Village Hall** – Councillor Turton reported the hall have a Spanish Tapas evening booked for 19 May 2012 and the Auction of promises held in March raised £1100.00 for the hall funds.

Cllr Turton thanked Cllr Richards and Cllr Whitton for attending the recent DVH meeting to clarify the broadband and screen situation. Cllr Richards had explained to the DVH Committee the background for the installation of the screen and broadband from AiRS and was for the use by all in Parish, if it goes then the Parish Council will not hold Planning Meetings in the DVH and the disadvantage to that would be that the £20 per session of using the DVH by the Parish Council would not be paid. He also advised that the Parish Council

have budgeted £400.00 for both the Dunn Village Hall and Bodle Street Village Hall without them having to apply to the Parish. As far as the Parish Council and AiRS are concerned the equipment is for the Community.

It was clear from that meeting that the DVH Committee are split and have mixed feelings regarding the use of the equipment, majority of the Committee at the meeting are aware of the good use this equipment could be for the hall. They were informed again that the use of the equipment is to benefit them and the Parish as a whole not just for Parish Council meetings.

Cllr Turton had advised them strongly not to reject the broadband.

No decision on this has been received from the Dunn Village Hall Committee.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Turton for his patience in this matter.

**(d) Bodle Street Green Village Hall** – Report given by Mr Bryan Gibson The Diamond Jubilee Celebrations have all been arranged, mugs have been purchased for 60 children with spares available for purchase.

The BBQ will be catering for between 150 – 200 people and the tea party is catering for 60 children.

The Garden Club will be planting out at the Village Hall with Red, White and Blue.

**(e) Rights of Way** – Councillor Tratt had attended a highways group meeting the previous week. Footpaths and bridleway that need clearing are being reported to ESCC.

**(f) Wealden District Association of Local Councils** – Nothing to report.

**(g) Diamond Jubilee Celebrations** - Councillor Kerrie Jones report that the arrangements were going ahead as planned.

#### 12/029 Clerks Report

**Correspondence received** – Correspondence received had been previously circulated to all Councillors. This included a thank you from Bodle Street Green Village Hall for the Diamond Jubilee contribution. Crime updates and Neighbourhood Watch details are regularly received. Weekly news Digests are received from Rural Services Network.

A consultation letter has been received from ESCC regarding a proposed diversion of Public Footpath Warbleton 40a – Cllr Tratt to investigate and a response sent if required.

#### 12/030 Finance

(a) The Clerk outlined the current Financial Statement dated 19 April 2012 distributed, this was proposed by Cllr Wells and seconded by Cllr Jervis Reed and carried.

(b) Payments required as follows

Warbleton Payment Voucher	£345.44	WDC –Jan-Mar 12 Dog Bin Emptying	£66.96
Mileage March 2012	£ 19.35	WDALC	£20.00
Postage	£5.52	SALC	£357.27
Mr Funnell	£58.00		

**12/031 Planning** –.The next Planning and General Purpose Committee is to be held on 01 May 2012.

#### 12/032 Items Considered Urgent by the Chairman –

Overgrown hedgerows and overhanging hedgerows are becoming a problem in the Parish. Councillors Whitton, Wells, Powell and Richards are to meet with Councillor Long who is checking out the roads within the Parish, to list hedgerows that require attention in order for 'polite notice letters to be sent'.

#### 12/033 Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be the Annular General Meeting to be held on Thursday 17 May 2012 at 7pm in The Village Hall, Bodle Street Green.

**The Meeting Closed at 08.35pm.**

Signed..... Chairman

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