

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 25th April 2019 at the Village Hall, School Approach, Weston Turville.

PRESENT: Parish Cllrs H Backus, M Jarvis, M Conolly, D Hillier, Q Morgan, J Paterson, C Terry, V Trowell 14 members of public, PCSO K Stephenson and PCSO P Hall.

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1	WELCOME, APOLOGIES, ANNOUNCEMENTS		
	Cllr Jarvis welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cllr Simons had given apologies.		
2	THAMES VALLEY POLICE		
	PCSOs K Stephenson and P Hall attended from Thames Valley Police and gave an update on the recent local issues. Crime in Weston Turville was down 37% compared with the previous year.		
	Concerns were raised by members of the public with regard to anti social behaviour by younger children (eg throwing stones at cars, misbehaving in the local shop, running out in front of cars) but TVP said that they had no recent reported incidences. The Chairman stressed that all occurrences must be reported to the Police in order for resources to be targeted to the issue.		
	One resident asked what was being done to enforce speed control in the parish. Cllr Paterson explained that the Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (MVAS) was still be used and regularly moved around but that data recorded did not show that it was a big issue. He explained that the Parish Council now had use of Sentinel equipment which would record the registration of speeding vehicles, this data would be shared with the police who would then contact the owners. Volunteers were needed to help man the Sentinel equipment.		
	PCSO Stephenson said that if there was a persistent offender then they could be reported to TVP who would speak to the driver.		
3.	HALTON DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY (HDCIC)		
	HDCIC had been set up by a group of residents in Wendover and Halton to try to influence the development of RAF Halton when it is closed. A copy of their presentation will be put on the Parish Council's website.		
	HDCIC were hoping to get the support of the surrounding parishes, people could register their support and to receive updates via their website www.hdcic.co.uk.		
4	YOUTH CAFÉ		
	Glynn White attended to update on the Youth Café. The current committee were standing down at the end of July and new committee members are still needed in order for the group to keep going. An article would be in the next WT Times asking for volunteers.		
5	WIDOW TURPIN CHARITY		
	Mr Hugh Chamberlain the local Trustee & Hon Treasurer gave a report in order to comply with the articles of the Charity. The Annual Accounts were read out with a brief report to summarise the past year activities to the meeting.		
	The charity derives a small income from the rent of a field left to the charity, the income is used to distribute food vouchers to people in need in Weston Turville or they can arrange delivery of food.		
	A copy of the accounts was given to the Clerk for the Council's records.		
3	PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT		
	The Chairman's report on the work of the Parish Council was read out to the meeting, a copy of the report is attached to these minutes as appendix 1.		

WTPC FINANCE Cllr Paterson gave a report of the unaudited 2018-19 Parish Accounts and Budget for 2019-20. The annual accounts would be audited the following week and then submitted to the external auditor after the Parish Council meeting. **VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE** Cllr Mandi Simons, Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee had provided a report on the village hall, a copy is attached to these minutes as appendix 2. **OPEN FORUM AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS** 1. A member of public thanked the parish councillors for their hard work and asked about issues on the highway, a road sign had been in the hedgerow for over a year and the drains in Barley Close regularly blocked. Both matters had been reported to Transport for Bucks but no action had been taken. The Chairman asked that the resident email the clerk full details in order for the Parish Council to take up with TFB. 2. Residents of Wendover Road voiced concerns about pollution from dust, noise and lighting from waste recycling site. They had reported the issues to AVDC, Bucks CC and the Environment Agency but the problems persisted. The owner of the site was also in attendance and offered to meet with councillors and residents on the site to look round and discuss the issues. This offer was accepted and a date would be arranged. He confirmed that planning permission had been granted to extend operations on the site.

The meeting was then closed, refreshments	were provided.	
Signed:	Dated:	

Appendix 1 - Chairman's Report

Welcome to our Annual Parish Meeting, I would like to thank you for taking the time to come and find out more about what your Parish Council has achieved over the last 12 months and what we have planned for the coming year.

We currently have 1 vacancy for Parish Councillors and would urge anyone who is interested to speak to either the clerk or any of the councillors to find out more about what is involved. We typically meet once a month (Third Thursday of the month), with several of us working on particular areas of expertise from Planning to health and safety and Finance.

There are currently several areas of concern that residents bring to us, these include Speeding and new housing developments. The Parish Council are putting together vehicle and speed data to provide hard facts in order to back up these concerns. We also work with developers where appropriate and support residents where they have issues over planning.

We would urge all residents to contact the clerk directly with any information that can assist us with making our Parish a safer and more neighbourly community.

The Parish Council have been working on several projects to make our Parish a better place to live and work for example:

- We supported the recent litter pick to clean up our parish with more than 20 residents working together we removed 25 bags of rubbish and items such as bikes and a treadmill!
- We are also looking to extend the village hall to provide another meeting room and also facilities for football changing rooms including officials and in addition we are looking to provide a skateboard facility and also Multi Use Games Area as we have received funding from several developments in the parish under Section 106 agreements.

Our Annual fete is well supported and the Parish council assist in the running of this and this year the event will be on Saturday 22nd June from 1pm to 5pm

We also have a development plan for the Parish Council where we review and new projects and are currently working on the following

- Additional fencing around the car park
- Bollards for School Approach to prevent cars mounting the pavement
- Replacing Bus shelters
- Investigating additional cycle path access for the whole Parish
- A village sign and we will be consulting on this shortly for the best design.
- Providing new noticeboards
- Installed new dog waste bins
- Repaired and replaced benches
- Installed new waste bins

Please visit our web site as this is our main method of getting information out to residents. This will be continuously updated and we are happy to add details of groups that meet within our Parish. Our next full council meeting will be Thursday 16th May starting at 7pm. Not forgetting our planning meetings where everyone is welcome to attend is held on the first Thursday of each month.

Finally I would like to thank our Clerk and my fellow councillors for their hard work over the last 12 months, working on many projects and helping to make our Parish a better place.

Cllr Martin Jarvis, Chairman, Weston Turville Parish Council

Appendix 2 – Village Hall Committee Report

This past year has been a quiet one as we are still sorting out building the conversion and extension to enable renovating of the existing changing rooms to create a new office for the Parish Clerk and hall booking clerk to work from and to build a new meeting room so smaller parish meetings can be held there. This new area will allow the main hall to be booked out for regular bookings generating more income.

The transfer of ownership to the parish council is still ongoing as no volunteers came forward to take on the role of trustees, as required by the charity commission and village hall trust. We are hopeful that this issue will be sorted within the next month and whilst hirers and users of the hall will not see any difference in how the hall is used; the responsibility for the running and maintenance of the hall will be overseen by the parish council.

On an operational front; our bookings have remained constant and I am pleased to report that we are still financially viable. Our income from hirers totalled £28,726 for the year. Our outgoing expenses have increased in line with inflation for the utilities, insurances, licences and wages and we have worked hard to minimise our other costs. We have had no major outlays for improvements and maintenance but we anticipate redecorating the hall, replacing the toilet suites for a more vandal proof system and cleaning the moss off the roof during the next few months. Most of this work will done during the summer holidays to minimise disruption to our regular term time users.

We still generate additional income for the hall by the loaning of gazebos, small marques, tables and chairs to individuals for private parties.

In conjunction with the Parish Council we have improved the security in and around the hall and the safety of pedestrians by installing CCTV in School Approach and the car park. The CCTV in School Approach is able to read number plates and we hope this will deter visitors to the hall and school from driving and parking on the pavements and doing 'donuts' in the car park, thereby reducing the incidents of anti-social behaviour that have been reported. So far the only report we had of 'donuts' in the car park resulted in some local youths being 'spoken to' by the police. Other reports of anti-social behaviour affecting hall users have significantly reduced since last year.

We continue to be a popular hall for hiring by regular users and by 'one off' family or children's parties and we hope that the work undertaken during this next financial year will enhance our letting potential.

Mandi Simons Chairman WTVH.