

# HOLYBOURNE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

(FOUNDED 1974)



## Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2007 at Holybourne Village Hall

Present: Karen Bennett (KB) – Chairman      Ben Kemp (BK) – Secretary      Vickie Kemp (VK) – Treasurer  
Steve Downes (SD) – Vice Chairman      Andy Maddock (AM)      John Honnor (JH)  
Phil Croucher (PC)      Lynn Kelly (LK)      James Bull (JB)  
David Willoughby (DW)      Nick Cane (NC)      Sam Cox (SC) – T.A.G.  
Stuart Sharky (SS) – T.A.G.      Frank Collett (FC)      Jerry Janes (JJ)  
David O'Donnell (DD)  
  
Chris Everett (CE)      Mandy Wright      Rebecca Hare  
Dave Budd      Vernon Burford

### 1. Opening of Meeting

The meeting opened at 20:06.

### 2. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Tom Yendell (TY).

### 3. Minutes of December 2006 Meeting

#### 3.1 Agree Minutes

The minutes of the December 2006 Meeting were agreed.

#### 3.2 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

#### 3.3 Signing of Minute Book

The minutes of the December 2006 meeting were signed and dated by the Chairman.

### 4. Planning and Development

#### 4.1 Chandos Lodge Update

Steve Proctor (Senior Policy Planner) and Chris Murray from EHDC were unable to attend the meeting. KB read out a letter from Steve Proctor in reply to two previous letters sent to him. NC has spoken to Steven Brown; a planning request has not yet been submitted. This will probably occur later this month. It was suggested that Chris Murray be invited to the next HVA meeting.

**Action: KB**

The current plan bisects the "Balloon Field", dividing it into 1.5 hectares to the east and 0.5 hectares to the west (i.e. the Grange Hotel side).

A query regarding the acceptability of wheelchair users on the proposed shared footpath/cycle path was answered by HCC as being "perfectly in order". Mike Pullins from Hampshire County Council is the contact for any concerned wheelchair users.

The only question believed to be outstanding concerns how much of Anstey Park could be taken for this improved footpath. It was pointed out that there are limitations on these improvements as Anstey Park gives way to residential gardens and the car park of the Queen's Head Pub.

As of the date of this meeting, the application has yet to be lodged and therefore it is necessary to wait to see what happens.

It was agreed that KB would approach Eggar's School regarding the idea of reversing the traffic flow which would greatly improve egress from the London Road/Montecchio Way intersection in the morning.

**Action: KB**

Dave Budd has prepared a paper on the Coors and Chandos Lodge Development issues. This was circulated at the meeting. Dave also agreed to put this on the Holybourne.com website.

A letter from Nina Williams, of Claines, was read out querying why the access had changed from going through the grounds of Claines to across the balloon field. DW said that he felt this had been directed to Alton Town Council, but again, as no application has been lodged there is nothing to object to at present.

It was generally felt that the loss of 4-5 feet from the London Road periphery of Anstey Park to improve safety would be "probably" acceptable.

#### 4.2 Steering Holybourne Into The Future Together (SHIFT) Update

SD reported that the questionnaire has now been printed. There is a meeting on Thursday January 11<sup>th</sup> at which the approach to distribution will be discussed. Volunteers to assist on the distribution will be sought.

#### **4.3 New Planning Applications**

No new planning applications were brought to the meeting. CE noted that the application for a Sports Stadium on Diggers Field has been withdrawn.

#### **5. HVA Members' Forum**

##### **5.1 Open Forum**

PC observed that the Old Bungalow in Howards Lane is in a "bit of a state" and queried whether anything could be done to encourage the owners to tidy it up a little. JJ stated that the council can request that it be tidied up, and if not done within a reasonable timeframe, the council will tidy it up and will charge for the work done. KB will speak to Greg Burt.

**Action: KB**

#### **6. Litter and Fly Tipping**

##### **6.1 Action from Previous Meeting: Barrier at Oil Depot**

Nothing new to report. Carried forward.

**Action: ATC**

#### **7. Friends of the Pond Update**

NC reported that the work on the island has had to be postponed due to there being too much water in the pond(!) The work will now be delayed until March/early April which will have the advantage of the planting being able to be done at the same time. However, this needs careful planning as a certain depth of water is required in order to float the pontoon.

#### **8. CE handover**

CE formally stood down from the HVA Committee. His roles were discussed with a view to finding successors.

For the Village Magazine, NC proposed a "Management Board". This would consist of a chairman who would decide the theme of the issue and ensure that funding is in place. This would then be handed over to a "Project Editor" who would actually edit it with the assistance of the rest of the magazine committee. AM volunteered to Chair the board; Dave Budd volunteered to project edit; Janet Cane has offered to liaise with CE re: total knowledge transfer; JB will also sit on the committee as advertising manager. JH seconded this proposal. Voting – unanimous.

NC proposed a formal vote of thanks to CE for all his work on the magazine. This was seconded by all present.

LK volunteered to act as liaison point for the village noticeboard with Jill Sykes.

It was agreed that arrangements for Remembrance Day 2007 would be discussed later.

#### **9. Vandalism In Holybourne**

##### **9.1 Action from Previous Meeting: Draft of article**

Carried forward.

**Action: KB/BK**

#### **10. Judging of Christmas Present Wrapping Competition**

Maddie Ashby was awarded first prize; Georgina Milne second prize. LK volunteered to obtain the book tokens.

**Action: LK**

#### **11. Any Other Business**

CE displayed the "Nothing Ever Happens In Holybourne" T-shirt that he had been awarded.

CE handed copies of the Remembrance Day DVD to KB and SD as they had been active participants.

#### **12. Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 21:08.

#### **13. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of the HVA Committee will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2007 at 8.00pm in Holybourne Village Hall. It would be greatly appreciated if any items for the agenda could be forwarded to the secretary by Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February. Anything after this will be held over until the next meeting. A final agenda will be issued the day before the meeting. Please also forward apologies for absence, if necessary, to the secretary. E-mail [secretary.hva@holybourne.com](mailto:secretary.hva@holybourne.com)

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