

HOLYBOURNE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

(FOUNDED 1974)



Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 8th January 2008 at Holybourne Village Hall

Present: Karen Bennett ((KB) – Chairman Nick Cane (NC) – Secretary Phil Croucher (PC)
Ben Kemp (BK) Jill Robinson (JR) Pat Lerew (PL)
John Honnor (JH) James Bull (JB) Vernon Burford (VB)
Vickie Kemp (VK) Andy Maddock(AM) Dave Godfrey (DG)

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting opened at 20:04

2. Volunteer to be secretary

NC acted as secretary for this meeting. Dave Godfrey (DG) offered to become permanent secretary. NC proposed that this offer be accepted with thanks and that DG be co-opted onto the committee with immediate effect. BK seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from: David Willoughby (DW), Jerry Janes (JJ), Lynne Kelly (LK), Veerinder Weston (VW), Tom Yendell (TY). Non-attendees: David O'Donnell (DD), Barrie Lawrence (BL)

4. Minutes of the December 2007 meeting

4.1 Agree minutes of December meeting

The minutes of the meeting were approved. Copies will be sent to attendees, Linden Homes and the website.

4.2. Matters arising from the minutes

Item 5.1 PC asked if we will stay close to the development particularly with respect to contamination; also how much is the developers contribution . **Action: JB/NC to follow up with Turley Associates.** *Post meeting note: NC spoke to John O'Donovan (JO'D) of Turley Associates on 10th January. JO'D explained that there is a formal process to go through with the council on contamination, resulting in a lengthy report stating what action will be taken. JO'D committed to inform the HVA when the report is submitted. He expects the developers contribution to be around £1100 per dwelling.*

4.3 Signing of the minute Book

The December minutes were signed by KB. BK will ensure that BK also signs the minutes of the previous two meetings. **Action BK**

5. Planning and Development

5.1 Actions from previous minutes – Linden Homes

5.1.1 Meeting with police and HCC re London Road **Action DD** .- carried forward

5.1.2 use of developers contribution **Action NC/Shift** – carried forward

5.2. Shift Update

NC reported that the Shift committee met on 18th December. The plan was to review the results on the 285 questionnaire responses received, however, there had been technical problems that meant it had not been possible to read the responses automatically. John Bound is trying to find a technical solution but if this is not forthcoming the results will have to be entered into the computer manually. If this proves necessary, then several members of the HVA committee volunteered to help. Shift now hopes to have sample results by the end of the third week in January. The plan is to determine priorities for the village from the analysis, have further consultation on these and produce a report by mid year.

NC will distribute Shift minutes to the HVA committee and put them on the website.

5.3 New Planning Applications

No new planning applications of significance

The planning request for the Priory in Howards Lane has been withdrawn

NC reported that the Chandos Lodge development is now likely to start in the spring

6. HVA members open forum.,

6.1 JH proposed that the money raised by the Carol Singing should be given to the Cricket Club Colts. This was seconded by AM and approved.

6.2 KB presented a note about the Complin Memorial Trust which needs a new co-optative trustee, preferably with some accountancy knowledge. There are two ordinary trustee meetings a year. Volunteers, or suggestions, to Mr Andrew Mylward 01420 83158

7. London Road pavement widening

7.1 DW reported by e-mail from Tony Ludlow that 'funding has been agreed for this financial year to make a number of improvements to the footway on the south (pub) side of London Road in Holybourne to make it accessible by wheelchair from Treloars to the pub. The changes will include dropping the kerb where necessary and other changes. The route along the south side uses the established crossing point by Treloars, the existing wide footway and has benefits in safety and cost. Since the financial year ends in March it looks as if the saga is about to end.'

It is not clear that this will resolve the problem and KB will discuss the matter with TAG. **Action KB**

7.2 Tony Ludlow also stated in his e-mail 'I have asked the road safety officers to look into the options for improvements in safety along the whole length of London Road and it is obviously sensible to have a thorough discussion of these issues' This is already in plan (see item 5.1.1 above). NC will inform DW and Tony Ludlow. **Action NC**

7.3 Raise inadequate lighting on wheelchairs at night as a TAG issue **Action RH**

8. Friends of the Pond Update

NC reported that the pollarding of the willow had been completed, thanks to JH, PC, Charlie Walters, Mike Barnsley and Steve Downes. Willow whips have been planted round the island. The decision has been taken not to cut back the west bank this year. The seat in the churchyard has now been secured to stop it being thrown into the pond. Next action is to plant the island in the spring

9. Late night noise outside the White Hart.

This matter has now been resolved, at least for the time being..

10. Prize for 'Best Wrapped Christmas Present' Competition.

VK has selected the winners. There are seven prizes each will be a £5 Woolworth voucher. KB will present these on 15th January and will thank the school for a very impressive effort, which was much appreciated by the village. **Action KB**

11 Activities for 15/16 year-olds in the village (non-alcoholic bar, joint Treloar College venture)

JR will progress this and discuss with Joanne Ryan and Peter and Ysanne Legg to establish whether a Treloar link makes sense. The possibility of liaising with the Cricket Club will also be investigated. **Action JR**

12. Vandalism in the Village

PL raised this matter at the Crime and Disorder meeting and established that Inspector Dodds was not aware of the issue but would investigate.

The committee agreed to put a poster on the noticeboard asking villagers to report vandalism on 101 and to Karen.dawes@easthants.gov.uk. NC will ask TY to design poster. **Action NC/TY**

We should get the community police to the next meeting. **Action KB**

13. Clock for Noticeboard

JR has details of weatherproof clocks at reasonable prices. JR will inform LK. NC proposed and JH seconded that LK should be authorised to spend up to £50 to buy a new clock. This was approved. **Action JR/LK**

14. AOB

Treasurer's report: The finances look good. Balances with no outstanding invoices are approximately:

Magazine	£1000
Pond	£1400
Shift	£3400
General fund	£1500

15. Close of meeting

The meeting closed at 21.05

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 20:00 on Tuesday 12th February. Committee members please send agenda items or apologies to secretary.hva@hollybourne.com which will redirect to David Godfrey by 8th February.

Minuted by Nick Cane .