



Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 10th June 2008 at Holybourne Village Hall

Present: Karen Bennett – Chairman Ben Kemp (BK) – V-Chairman Phil Croucher (PC)
David Godfrey (DG) – Secretary Lynn Kelly (LK) Tom Yendell (TY)
Barrie Lawrence (BL) John Honnor Vernon Burford
James Bull (JB)

1.0 Opening of Meeting

The meeting opened at 20.04.

2.0 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from, Jill Robinson (JR), Vickie Kemp (VK) – Treasurer, David O'Donnell (DO), Andy Maddock (AM), David Willoughby (DW), Pat Lerew (PL), Rebecca Hare (RH) and Nick Cane (NC).

Jerry Janes, and Veerindar Weston were unable to attend

3.0 Minutes of May 2008 Meeting

- 3.1 Agree minutes of May 2008 meeting.
The minutes of the meeting were approved.
Copies will be sent to attendees, non attendees and the web site.
- 3.2 Matters arising from the minutes.
 - 3.21 Confirmation of the village picnic Sunday 22nd June 2008.
 - 3.22 Letter received from EHDC advising the Alton Tourist Information Centre is not closing.
It is being reduced in size and reorganised.
 - 3.23 Letters have been sent to Andrews Endoured and Eggars Schools regarding litter problems.
- 3.3 Signing of the Minute Book.
The May minutes were signed by KB – Chairman.

4.0 Friends of the Pond update

- 4.1 Several plants are showing strong growth on the smaller islands.

5.0 Planning and Development

- 5.1 Linden Homes update on 'The Depot' site.
Works are progressing on site, show homes under construction.
- 5.2 Chandos Lodge Development.
Nothing further to report.
- 5.3 The Priors
Planning permission granted.
- 5.4 SHIFT Update
Design statement for Alton is now complete.
- 5.5 New Planning Applications
A few minor applications received in current period.

6.0 Core Strategy

- 6.1 The Design guidelines within the Town Council Statement form the core of the people of Alton's wishes for the future appearance of the town. They were adopted by EHDC on 27th May 2008 and are now Non-Statutory Planning Guidance and as EHDC's new Local Development Framework develops, they will become a Statutory Planning Document (SPD). Therefore, from now on, they will be consulted in relation to any relevant planning application within the boundaries of Alton.

7.0 HVA Members Open Forum

- 7.1 It was reported that a chemical port-a-loo had been left on the corner of Inhams Road.
- 7.2 Reports were received of two young ladies having vandalised one of the weirs leading upstream towards the pond.
- 7.3 Two suspicious males were seen loitering by the nursing home, support police informed.
- 7.4 It should be noted that the village picnic is a joint venture with the Holybourne Cricket Club.
- 7.5 Church Lane, Church Cottages proposed development first appeal has been rejected. A second appeal is to be heard in July 08.
- 7.6 There are several hedges in London Road overhanging public footpaths and causing inconvenience to members of the public.

8.0 London Road

- 8.1 Meeting to be held 26th June 08 with members from HVA, Hampshire Highways, Treloar and ATC to discuss the London Road footpath widening scheme. Those attending should meet by the main Treloar entrance at 10-00am.

9.0 Neighbourhood Watch

- 9.1 PCSO White attended the meeting to outline the benefits of this scheme. There were several schemes running in Alton of which the police are happy with the manner in which they operate.
- 9.2 There are benefits to be had for the residents of Holybourne by running smaller road by road schemes as against larger areas. Provided responsible people are found to run these schemes, the police benefit from information provided.
- 9.3 PCSO White stated he would provide preferred literature to the committee if it was decided to pursue this idea.
- 9.4 There is to be a reorganisation of the Police Support Officers overseeing Holybourne. Further information would be made available to the HVA committee.
- 9.5 The committee were advised that someone had been arrested in connection with the thefts of local dogs. This person has been released on bail pending various other offences, PCSO White recommended continued vigilance.

10.0 Treasurers Report

- 10.1 Due to the Treasurer being unable to attend, her report would be held over until next month.

11.0 Any Other Business

- 11.1 There were no further items raised.

12.0 Close of meeting

- 12.1 The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

David Godfrey
Secretary
Holybourne Village Association