

# HOLYBOURNE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

(FOUNDED 1974)

## Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2006 at Holybourne Village Hall

Present: Karen Bennett (KB) – Chairman      Ben Kemp (BK) – Secretary      Vickie Kemp (VK) – Treasurer  
Nick Cane (NC)      Jerry Janes (JJ)      John Honnor (JH)  
Gavin Thackray-Jones (GT-J)      Terry Fielder (TF)      Steve Downes (SD) – Vice Chairman  
Phil Croucher (PC)

Mandy Wright      Scott Wright      Rebecca Hare

### 1. Opening of Meeting

The chairman opened the meeting at 20:02.

### 2. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from: Tom Yendell (TY); David O'Donnell (DD); David Willoughby (DW); Lynn Kelly (LK); Chris Everett (CE); James Bull (JB); John Bound (JAB) and Tony Lock (TL).

### 3. Minutes of April 2006 Meeting

#### 3.1 Agree Minutes

The minutes of the April 2006 Meeting were agreed.

#### 3.2 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

#### 3.3 Signing of Minute Book

The minutes of the April 2006 meeting were signed and dated by the chairman.

### 4. Planning

#### 4.1 Action from Previous Meeting: Letter re: Chandos Lodge Development Access Road (NC)

NC has drafted a letter, once again drawing attention to the alternative and requesting that any consultation process remains 'open' rather than 'closed'. JJ advised that the letter should be sent to Steve Procter at East Hampshire District Council and carbon copied to DD as Holybourne's our district councillor.

**Action: NC**

#### 4.2 New Planning Applications

No new planning applications were brought before the meeting.

#### 4.3 Location of Trees subject to Tree Protection Orders (DD)

DD reported via e-mail that previously these maps had been sent to parishes, but as TPO's were being issued weekly then the maps were out of date within days of being issued. However, by the end of 2006 these will be available online and the maps will be updated as and when the TPO's are issued (or indeed lifted). In the meantime if any particular issues come to light then he will try to get more information.

#### 4.4 SHIFT update (Steering Holybourne Into the Future Together)

Funding has been secured for the printing of questionnaires and other printing. To kick off the publicity campaign an article will appear in The Alton Herald soon and posters and suggestion boxes will be placed around the village. SHIFT's next task is to attempt to contact the disparate groups etc. in Holybourne to determine what is or is not required. A SHIFT event is scheduled for 15<sup>th</sup> July at the Village Hall. The group continues to meet on a monthly basis. It has been decided for the purposes of SHIFT to define 'Holybourne' as DW's ward but **NOT** Anstey Mill Lane or the Chandos Lodge Estate. Contact has been established with Alton Town Council Partners and Alton 2020 as the Holybourne input fits logically within the Alton Design Statement. A meeting is to be held later this month.

## 5. HVA Members Forum

### 5.1 Open Forum

#### 5.1.1 Village Picnic

In LK's absence, JH reported that plans are well in hand for the Village Picnic and Fun Day, including a surprise visitor. Lots of volunteers will be required! There is another planning meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

## 6. Treloar Action Group Survey

### 6.1 Pavement Widening in London Road

The letter was sent to Tony Ludlow on May 5<sup>th</sup> with photographs to illustrate the difficulty wheelchair users have negotiating this narrow strip of pavement. Examples of the photographs were circulated to those at the meeting. It was stated that due to the "interesting" and rather adverse camber on the other side of Malthouse Mews simply crossing the road is not a viable option. NC promised that he and TAG will not allow this issue to simply "go away" and that it will be followed up until action is taken. TF offered to assist in raising funds if necessary, but it was felt that this funding should come from Hampshire County Council.

KB asked if all wheelchair users and carers could please ensure that the rear lights are working on the wheelchairs since they are currently being compelled to travel in the road.

JJ said that he thought that speeding traffic is a problem and that any measure to calm traffic would be of help.

## 7. Remembrance Day

### 7.1 Update on Progress

A meeting is to be held between Terry Whittall of The Royal British Legion, KB, CB and The Vicar. A suggestion has been mooted that the event could be moved to the previous Saturday. KB will report back at the next meeting.

## 8. Litter

### 8.1 Update on EHDC Progress with Onyx

DD reported via e-mail that the grass verges have been cleared and there are plans to clear the central reservation as well. DD is keeping on top of this and will report fully at the June meeting.

### 8.2 Report on MRF/ERF visit by NC and TY

NC reported on the visit to the MRF. It is hugely automated with two shifts of 25 people working (it is ramped up to three shifts at busy periods such as New Year) on the recyclable material. The remainder of the refuse goes to the ERF at Chineham, which is now a 37mW furnace. This facility is so efficient that landfill in Hampshire is closing. NC summarised by saying that he was very impressed. He will compose an article for the next Village Magazine.

### 8.3 Possibility of another village clean up on 2<sup>nd</sup> July

NC raised the possibility of a summer "spring" clean between the Alton Live! Music Festival and the Alton in Bloom competition, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July. It was felt that this would be a good idea and JH agreed to perform his normal co-ordination role.

## 9. Manor Farm Tours on 20<sup>th</sup> May

KB is co-ordinating the names of those going on the tour. There are two sessions, one at 10:30 and another at 13:30.

**Action: KB**

## 10. Traffic Delays Caused by the Routing of the Muslim Festival in East Worldham

SD raised the possibility of delays entering/exiting the Village during the forthcoming Muslim Festival in East Worldham. SD will find out the exact dates.

**Action: SD**

## 11. Footpath Between Lower and Upper Neatham Mill Lane

Carried forward.

**Action: KB**

## 12. Rogation Walk on 21<sup>st</sup> May

This will start at 2pm at the entrance to Complins. All welcome.

**13. Friends of The Pond Update**

Funding has been secured to address the ongoing erosion problems with the island. The work will be carried out later in the year when the water levels have dropped. A meeting is to be held with an "expert" in island building the near future to determine the best approach.

A generous donation has been received from Mr. & Mrs. Bridgestock as a result of the article in the Village Magazine.

Checking the quality of the water; rebuilding the island and the restocking of fish are the plans for the remainder of the year.

**14. Any Other Business**

**14.1 Art Exhibition**

There will be an art exhibition at The Village Hall on 15<sup>th</sup> July, organised by TY.

**14.2 Holybourne Village Association Logo**

TY sent copies of his design for an HVA logo. This will be adopted forthwith.

**15. Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 20:58.

**16. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of the HVA Committee will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in Holybourne Village Hall. It would be greatly appreciated if any items for the agenda could be forwarded to the secretary **at least one week in advance** of the meeting. A final agenda will be issued a few days prior to 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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