



Enborne Parish Council Ordinary Meeting

Monday 18th May 2009

Chairman's Introduction and Welcome

Present .

Cllrs: Douglas Staples Chairman, Kimberley McCartney, Vice Chair,
Gordon King, David Callaghan. Cllr. Andrew Rowles West Berkshire Council

Apologies for Absence There were no apologies for absence.

1) **Approval of Minutes of Meetings**

The minutes of the Meeting of the 9th March 2009 were signed as a true record. subject to a change to the date of the EGM.

2) **Finance** Proposed or actual items of expenditure since 9th March were approved. Cllr. Callaghan undertook to review terms of insurance and report back to the next meeting.

3) **Planning Matters and Approvals.** Standing orders were suspended to take presentations from members of the public on current planning applications at :
a) Long Copse Farm.

Mr Burton outlined the history of the site and its planning applications since purchase. He described the purpose of the proposed bund which is to screen agricultural buildings on the north side of his property. He emphasised that there is no intention to increase the area devoted to his circus operation.

In answer to a question about the use of a hay storage and lambing shed Mr Burton explained that it was best practise to have livestock tended on site. The horse shelter will remain incomplete until the current project is finished.

Mr. Burton believes that damage to verges is demonstrably not caused by his vehicle movements but asked that any instances to be reported direct to him, with registration numbers and vehicle descriptions.

In view of these facts, the Chairman proposed that the Parish Council's original objections be withdrawn. This motion was carried unanimously and the clerk is INSTRUCTED to inform the planning officer accordingly.

b) No other planning applications are outstanding at the time of the meeting.

4) **Governance**

a) Vacancies on the parish council. With two vacancies we are able to fill one of these by co-option and Mr. Martin Burton was proposed to take the vacancy. Mr. Burton undertook to attend the normal meeting of the council and other meetings held in West Berkshire from time to time. The cooption was proposed by Mr King and seconded by Mr Callaghan. The Clerk is INSTRUCTED to advertise the remaining vacancy.

- b) Any other matters. The Chairman conducted a brief review of the year 2008/ 9 and asked the clerk to mention any matters or actions that were still outstanding at the end of the year. The Clerk CONFIRMED that other than matters mentioned directly in these minutes nothing remained outstanding from the year.

5) Parish Plan

The chairman reported that the formation of a working party was in progress . A meeting is now planned with West Berkshire Council and members will be kept informed by email.

6) Care of Verges and Mud-free road surfaces

The clerk outlined the results of notices and of letters sent to individual residents. The Chairman reported that a recent inspection revealed some evidence of improvement. No further action is planned at this stage. (but see below)

7) Litter Picking

Results of recent actions and proposals for the future have been published on the notice boards and web site. AGREED that the exercise was very effective and that the Clerk should buy litter picking tools and tabards for future use. PROPOSED that the two main fast food outlets should be asked to adopt a scheme to induce their customers to take a more responsible attitude to littering .

8) Update on William Waterman's Bequest.

The solicitor has reported that there are still some transactions to be completed before the money can be handed over. This should not take very long however and in the meantime, the clerk is INSTRUCTED

- a) give a set of all the relevant papers to Cllr Burton
- b) to create a deposit account with Newbury Building Society to lodge the funds.

9) Items received for Information

Councillors attention was drawn to papers received from West Berkshire, including:

Healthy and Active Parishes

Resurfacing Programme.

The Council RESOLVED to gather evidence in support an application to West Berkshire Highways to consider advancing Enborne in their priority list.

Developer Contributions

Safer Communities Newsletter

Home to school transport.

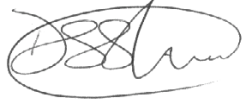
Core strategy discussion 9th June.

Clerk is INSTRUCTED to circulate this discussion paper to members.

- 10) **Dates for future meetings.** Publication in Enborne Parish News has been achieved and this is an action point for the Clerk in the future. The **27th July** was chosen for **the next Ordinary Meeting**. The meeting closed at 2115 .

- 11) **Questions from the public** A question was received voicing concern on the retrospective application for development at Hamstead Growers: A letter will be sent asking the owners of the property to do whatever is in their powers to guard against damage to verges.

Signed as a True Record

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. S. L.', written in a cursive style.

Chairman

Date 24th August 2009