

BOARHUNT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 5th February, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

1. **Apologies.** Mr.D.Andrews Councillor
Mrs J Pratt Councillor
- Present.** Mr.D.Green Vice Chairman
Mr.E.Schofield Councillor
Mrs.S Leatham Councillor
Mr.N.Eastman Councillor
Mrs.E.Green Clerk
Mr.F.Allgood County Councillor
Mr.J.Cooper District Councillor
2 parishioners

Mr. & Mrs. B.Bramley attended to hear outcome of their planning application.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting approved, proposed by S/L and seconded by E/S.

3. Matters Arising.

a. Report from Boarhunt Village Memorial Hall Committee.

Mr.Steven Lugg attended, H.A.P.T.C., with advice and offers of help with applications to funders. There are a multitude of funds around, finding the right ones is important.

It was hoped that WCC and HCC would supply letters of intent regarding the grants available from those Councils. The committee are assured of the earmarked reserves from the P/C. Once these sums are available it puts the amount raised into the 20% required by major fund holders.

Letters requesting support for the project will be sent to as many users of the hall as possible. Replies will be used to back up requests for grants.

b. Affordable Housing Update.

Another meeting took place on 9.1.07 at 10 a.m. in the Hall between WCC Housing and Planning Officers, P/C members, J/C, and Affordable Housing Enabler to see what can be rescued from the current stalled position on the bid for affordable homes in Boarhunt. Various ideas were discussed and will be taken forward for action.

c. Village Gate, B2177, Speed Controls.

J/C has asked HCC to include B2177 for use as designated road for review of speed restrictions, as part of County wide survey.

d. Forest Enterprise, Grant Proposal.

E/G and S/L are to meet Pam Eastwood, Forest Enterprise, on 8.2.07 to discuss areas which might be improved for walkers, with grant aid.

e. Youth Club, update.

The sad news of the death of Mr. Ray Parsons has changed everything. Volunteers now needed to take on the running of the Youth Club. All members of BPC send condolences to Barbara and her family.

It has been suggested by a number of parishioners, and children, that a collection is made to purchase a bench as a lasting memorial, the placing of which is yet to be decided. Clerk to action.

f. South Hants. Sun Club.

Now called South Hants. Country Club. A letter from Sun Club residents explained that there are plans for 100 park homes, for sale, for use all year round, and no longer a naturist's club. This will clearly affect North Boarhunt.

g. Annual Assembly, 19.4.07, Speakers, Agenda.

J/C has asked the Leader of the Council, George Beckett, to come and give a short address. It was suggested that John Parker be invited to explain the new web site, and how to get best value from it. Jan Griffiths to be invited to outline progress on the new village hall project.

h. Review and Set Allotment Rents.

Currently £7.50 or £15. As this covers the rent to Southwick Estate it was decided that there should be no increase for the coming year. There is one small plot available to let.

4. County/District Councillors Report.

F/A. The review of the consultation regarding the South East Plan began in November and will continue to March. HCC made representations reluctantly accepting the lowest levels of development possible, providing the infrastructure to support the increased numbers of residents is properly provided. Any higher levels of development would have a colossal impact on the South of Hampshire.

HCC are initiating a 'yellow Bus' scheme for school children as a trial in Basingstoke, in a bid to lessen traffic to and from, and parking outside schools. Encouragement will be given to 'walking buses', cycling and independent walking to school.

Decisions will be made in 2 weeks time regarding the County budget. It is essential to keep rises under 5% or the County will be capped. The greater number of elderly people is putting pressure on finances and this will only get worse as people live longer. It is still not known how much will be given by central government. The Police and Fire Services are expected to have increases in their budgets.

Fort Nelson's future expansion will be discussed in April. Funds are being sought for a new building.

J/C. Work is going on behind the scenes regarding the Affordable Housing. Too soon to give details.

The situation at what was the Sun Club is being monitored continually by Planning Enforcement, the Licensing Agency and Highways.

The WCC part of the council tax is unlikely to rise above 3%. However, the County, Police and Fire Service figures are not so optimistic. District cuts to save money will be aimed at administration posts, not services. Rural areas have been paying for the upkeep and provision of city play and sport facilities. This system will change. The city will now have to pay its own way, as Parish Councils already do.

A decision has been taken to sell up to 10 council houses a year to fund affordable housing projects and to help pay for the upkeep of existing council housing stock.

Everyone is to be encouraged to attend the Recycling Roadshows in their areas, ours at the D-Day Hall, Southwick, 20th February, 6.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. District recycling rates must be increased to attract grants which will be available, based on results.

5. Correspondence.

Actioned as appropriate, other than that mentioned elsewhere in these minutes.

HCC. Hants Now, newsletters: Improving Access in Hants. Conference, 21.3.07: Hants. Action Team, meeting 13.2.07.

W.C.C. Forward Plan, key decisions: Scrutiny Work Programme: Play Area Inspections, accepted: Cabinet (Local Development Framework) Committee, 7.2.07: Seminar, Collaborative working between town and parish councils, 8.2.07: recycling, bins & bags delivery May/June: Sample of letter to council tenants, satisfaction survey: Winchester district Annual Monitoring report: Communities Facilities database questionnaire: Local development framework Committee, 7.2.07: A Sustainable Winchester District: Statement of Community Involvement: Winchester Local Plan Review, local reserve sites, non to be released.

HAPTC. Local Council Banking Practice: Setting Local council Speed Limits: Awards for 2007: Clerks' Get Together: Preparation of Portfolio for Q Status: Freedom of Info.: Certificate of attendance, development training: Commons Act 2006, protection of common land: Amendment to Model Code of Conduct for Local Authority Members.

Community Action. Action News, update: Parish Plans, update. **WDAPC.** Meeting, 26.1.07, D/G attended. **Hants. Primary Care.** Patient and Public Involvement Forum. **Hants. Constabulary.** Partnership with Parish Councils, forum. **Mark Oaten.** Sustainable Communities Bill, passed second reading. **Playing Fields Association.** Newsletter. **SERA.** Examining the South East Plan, newsletter. **Mr.P.Harmsworth.** Comments and queries, parking on pavements, dog noise, parking on bends, pavement condition.

6. Planning.

W19848/01 Case No. 06/03482/FUL

Speedfield, Southwick Road. Replacement garage. BPC supported. Comments acknowledged.

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W04291/13 Case No. 06/03574/FUL

Burranlea, Southwick Road. Two storey rear extension and conservatory. BPC supported. Permitted.

W03771/06 Case No. 06/03661/FUL

Elgora, Bere Farm Lane. Conservatory to rear. BPC supported.

W03869/01 Case No. 06/03670/FUL

Land Adjacent to chantilly, Southwick Road. Relief of condition(limited period) provision of 18 cattery units and change of use of storage shed to extend reception area, re-site existing polytunnel. BPC supported.

Barns, Bere Farm Lane, conversion of barn to 2 bedroom dwelling. (Resubmission) Permitted.

WCC, letter to encourage Parish Councils requesting Committee decisions on planning issues to attend those committee sessions to represent their views.

7. Finance.

BPC supported payments to the following:

Buchanan Events. Deposit on marquee, toilets and equipment hire.	V No 639	1261.58
SLCC. Updated pages for P/C handbook.	V No. 640	19.50

VAT has been repaid, £136.94.

£27.00 Direct Debit, to CPRE.

As a result of the Intermediate Audit by the Audit Commission, the Fidelity Guarantee on the Zurich Insurance has been raised from £10,000 to £30,000 at no extra cost. Comments also regarding handling of Summer Ball monies. All cash sums received must pass through the account, not used as petty cash for payments.

8. Highway Matters.

The loose land drain cover outside Woodview, Trampers Lane has been inspected by HCC but no action seen.

Fly tipping reported at S.Boarhunt, and flooding of Boarhunt Road discussed. This area should drain into adjacent woodland but at the moment, water actually seems to be coming from the ditch. Southwick Estate to be contacted regarding clearing the drains serving that area.

The Big Village Clean Up a great success. Thanks to N/E and Lyn for originating the idea, and Lyn's offer of sustenance. 20 + volunteers turned up to help. Very many thanks to them.

9. For Information.

D/G attended a meeting with WDAPT which is an organisation to help P/C's with problems. One issue raised was difficulty with attendance of Planning Committee sessions. Specific timing should be given to applications. One could spend all day there and have the item of interest dealt with last thing in the afternoon.

E/G having difficulty getting quotes for replacement toilet cubicle at the recreation ground. E/S will action.

D/G will be absent from next meeting. E/S agreed to stand in.

Apologies also from J/C .

10. Date of Next Meeting.

Next meeting Monday, 5th March, 2007.

Meeting closed 8.35 p.m.

Evelyn Green.

Clerk.