

BOARHUNT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Monday 5th March,, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

1. **Apologies.** Mr.D.Green Vice Chairman
Mr. J.Cooper District Councillor
- Present.**
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| Mr.E.Schofield | Councillor, who chaired the meeting. |
| Mrs.S Leatham | Councillor |
| Mr.N.Eastman | Councillor |
| Mrs J.Pratt | Councillor |
| Mr.D.Andrews | Councillor |
| Mrs.E.Green | Clerk |
| Rev.R.Green | |
| 1 parishioner | |

2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting.**

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

3. **Matters Arising.**

a. **Report from Boarhunt Village Memorial Hall Committee.**

No report this month. Next meeting 6.3.07.

b. **Affordable Housing Update.**

The Clerk reported that to date no positive news was forthcoming. However, Rev. Green had spoken to Mr.Thistlethwayte, Southwick Estate, who is now willing to discuss options with the principal agencies involved in the bid to provide affordable housing for Boarhunt. E/G to expedite this meeting.

c. **Village Gate, B2177, Speed Controls.**

No report this month.

d. **Forest Enterprise, Grant Proposal.**

E/G and S/L met Pam Eastwood, Forest Enterprise, and discussed what improvements would make access to the forest easier for parishioners and the public. It was decided that the track leading up from the gate adjacent to Ivy Cottage would benefit from having some drainage and surfacing, and also the path from the same gate which follows the road to the main forest gate. This would complete a circuit which would take about 25-30 minutes to walk.

In addition, it would be of benefit to the ecology of the area for the deep ditch on the left hand side of the track about 400 yards straight up from the main forest gate to be opened up into a proper pond. There is nearly always water flowing under the track at that point, and a permanent pond would not dry out in dry conditions. At a later date, further tree planting might be done adjacent to the Trafalgar trees. Grants are available for these kinds of projects.

The P/C supported the proposition that joint applications be made for grants to do this work. S/L has agreed to do the paperwork in conjunction with Pam.

e. **Youth Club, update.**

The appeal for a volunteer to run the Youth Club has had a positive result. A candidate will be meeting members of the P/C and other youth club officers to determine a way forward.

The subscriptions to date for the memorial bench for Mr Ray Parsons has reached £230.

f. **South Hants. Sun Club.**

Activities at the site continue, with large numbers of the old Sun Club members vacating the site. WCC Planning Enforcement and licensing agencies continue to watch and await developments.

Should the holiday homes become permanent residential sites, the P/C feels there should be a way to ensure that the residents pay their way in the form of the community charge. Similarly, the developer should have to pay into the Open Space Fund, which would greatly benefit the village.

g. **Annual Assembly, 19.4.07, Speakers, Agenda.**

The agenda and invitations to speak will go out this month. Parishioners will be notified on the notice boards.

h. Website for Boarhunt.

The website is now active, www.boarhunt.org.uk being the address. It is currently still being developed, and is free for a trial period of 2 months. Thereafter it will cost £23.99/annum for a two year contract.

It is proposed to have pages to cover usual notices, village events calendar and details, local business page, advertisers, photo gallery, archive material, Village Design Statement, Youth Club, and a forum where anyone can ask for and exchange information, add information etc. John Parker will fully explain how it all works at the Parish Annual Assembly. In the meantime, log on or talk to John with further ideas. john@johnstuartparker.co.uk.

4. County/District Councillors Report.

No reports due to absence.

5. Correspondence.

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

HCC. Winchester Passenger Transport Area Review, minutes and newsletter Hants. Web awards: Planning Hants. Future:

W.C.C. Forward Plan, key decisions: Scrutiny work programme: Pre production consultation of the development of affordable housing, supplementary planning document: Travel, subsistence allowances scheme for P/Cs, second review: Housing and council tax surgeries: Appointment of parish rep. to serve on Standards Commission: Council minutes.

HAPTC. Internet, local villages: Mailings index, 2006: Licencing Act, 2006: Section 137 payments, £5.64/head of population: Vexatious Freedom of Information complaints: Committee for Rural Hants. Annual Review: Local Council review orders 2007/8.

Community Action. Action News, update: Hants. Voluntary sector consortium: Parish Plans:, explanation. **Hants. Constabulary.** Partnership with Parish Councils, forum minutes: Newsletter.

SERA. Partial review of the South East Plan, land won aggregates: Regional Housing Strategy review. **NALC.** Review of Quality Parish scheme. **Audit Commission.** Appointment of External Auditor. **Communities and Local Government.** Revised Model Code of Conduct. **SLCC.**

Revisions of Working with Your Council for insertion into P/C document: The Clerk, newsletter.

Hants. Highways. Helping you plan your journey: M27. climbing lanes, permission granted. **CPRE.** Voice, newsletter: Community Landscape Character Statement.

6. Planning.

W03771/06 Case No. 06/03661/FUL

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

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. Permission granted and condition lifted.

WTPO/1326 Case No. 07/00402/TPO

Nelson Villa, Trampers Lane. Fell 2 in no. ash and replace with 1 in no. Liquidamber and 1 in no. Aspen: remove 2 lowest limbs from 1 in no. Oak. BPC no comment.

W03795/06 Case No. 07/00395/FUL.

Milhope Cottage, Trampers Lane. First floor side extension. BPC supported.

7. Finance.

BPC supported payments to the following:

WCC. Temporary Event Licence, Summer Ball weekend.	V.No. 641	21.00
Audit Commission. External Audit, 2006.	V No. 642	293.75
HAPTC. Affiliation fee and NALC levy.	V No. 643	158.00
St.Jame's Church. Donation towards Parish Magazine.	V No. 644	100.00

Statement of Accounts: Treasurer's Account, £766.86.
Business Call Account, £156.69.
Scottish Widows, £16,405.58.

A complete review of Parish Insurance needs to be done. It appears that the toilet was not covered on the insurance, not being specifically named as an item on the schedule. The Summer Ball Weekend will need supplementary cover.

8. Highway Matters.

The loose land drain cover outside Woodview, Trampers Lane has still not been attended to. HCC Highways promises action soon.

More fly tipping reported at S.Boarhunt, and flooding, and pot holes on Boarhunt Road discussed. Mr.Langford of Southwick Estate is willing to meet with HCC Highways to determine best way to finally sort out this problem. E/G to facilitate.

More fly tipping, tyres, in Ham Lane.

The bad corner opposite Five Elms Lane has been sorted out, drain cleared and embankment shored up.

9. For Information.

E/G is still having problems obtaining quotes for a toilet cubicle. One, a second hand plastic box, is quoted at £995.00 delivered. However, it has no means of securing it to the ground. It was suggested that a block, brick, or similar building should be built. E/G to draw up a plan so quotes can be obtained. Since this expenditure will not be covered from insurance, money from the Open Space Fund could finance it.

(E/G forgot to report on D/G and E/G attendance to Affordable Housing seminar at Colden Common. Representatives from 10 disenchanted Hampshire Parish Councils were assembled to address the problems which have been encountered whilst trying to provide affordable housing. There will be more meetings in the future. It is hoped that the lessons learned from our failures will help future applicants.) S/L gave her apologies for the next meeting.

10. Date of Next Meeting.

Next meeting Monday, 2nd April, 2007.

Meeting closed 8.40 p.m.

Evelyn Green.

Clerk.

From memos received from Mr.F.Allgood and Mr.J.Cooper after the meeting;

HCC has once again achieved four stars awarded by the Audit Commission, fifth year in a row.

HCC has set a Council Tax at D Band of £95.62, an increase of 4.9%. Hampshire has received only £96/head from Central Government, compared with an average in the whole of England of £166/head. Staff reductions of 120 is projected. Hants. Police Authority's precept for Band D is £125.37 and Fire and Rescue, £56.07.

HCC is working with CPRE and highway consultants on reducing clutter on the county's roads. A pilot study of A32 between Wickham and West Meon has been approved.

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At 2.9% Winchester District has the lowest percentage increase for Council Tax in the County.