

BOARHUNT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Monday 1st October, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

1. Apologies.

2.	Present.	Mr.D.Green	Chairman
		Mr.E.Schofield	Vice Councillor
		Mr.N.Eastman	Councillor
		Mr.D.Andrews	Councillor
		Mrs. S.Leatham	Councillor
		Mrs.J.Pratt	Councillor
		Mrs.E.Green	Clerk
		Mr.J.Cooper	District Councillor
		Rev.R.Green	
		6 Parishioners	

Mr.Paul Harmsworth and Mr. Derek Ross asked for clarification on the Parish Council position on the new Planning Application for a hall on the existing site. Why is not the Parish Council making the application? Does the P/C support it?

D/G asked if the Parish Council can submit an alternative plan when it already has an approved plan agreed by the WCC Planning Department? J/C said this is OK. Parallel plans can be submitted. The Planning Committee will make a decision based on consideration of all the usual criteria.

Mr. Mike Neal reported that the damaged safety rails in Black House Lane had not yet been attended to.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting approved, proposed by N/E and seconded by D/A.

3. Matters Arising.

a. Report from Boarhunt Village Memorial Hall Committee.

The Committee continue to proceed with the original plans for a hall at the recreation field whilst the parallel plans are prepared. With applications in place for major funding and decisions pending in the very near future it would be folly not to do so.

The first 'Surgery' took place on Saturday, 29th September in the Parish Hall. Three attendees. Mr. Mike Neal stated that parishioners had no notice of the meeting. Jan Griffiths assured him that every household had received a copy of the minutes of the 13th August Open Meeting and the Surgery was advertised on that correspondence. Parishioners must read the material supplied to inform them of these matters. In future a designated coloured paper will be used to draw attention to these items of news. Mr. Paul Spencer offered to help P/H and D/R with preparation of drawings using his computer software.

b. Discuss Development of Hall on Present Site.

The Open Forum comments were discussed. D/G said the principle of presenting the application is supported but the Parish Council cannot give an opinion on the plans until they are presented. However, it was agreed that the plans will be submitted by the Parish Council when they are completed by the new Hall Committee members who undertook the task at the Open Meeting, 13.8.07. P/H and D/R were advised to see the Planning Officer face to face as soon as possible to discuss their plans.

c. Youth Club, update.

Over 20 children now registered as members and meetings continuing successfully. Bad behaviour will be addressed with a 'yellow and red card' system. Future activities include 'Circus Skills', presented by Hants. Youth Options. A visit to a Panto at the Kings Theatre is being arranged, transport yet to be sorted out. Paul Thompson continues to add to the variety of 'in house' games and activities.

J/C has undertaken the provision of allotment activities for next spring and summer, with clearance and preparation of the unused plot, so it can be brought back into use by the children. A small sum has been obtained from HCC to pay for materials and tools. The Community Chest will be applied to for further funds.

d. Boarhunt May Weekend, final outcomes.

£445 has been received for three further 'promises'. One is still outstanding for £600. This is due to a misunderstanding and will be paid on receipt of a proper invoice from the P/C. Once this sum is in hand a final donation will be made to the BVMH Committee.

e. Village Design Statement, updating.

Mrs. Karen Shaw and Mrs. Françoise Brindle reported that the VDS Team had an interesting meeting with Mr. Opacic of WCC. Three parishes have 'tweaked' original their VDS but this might not be enough. Further in depth consultation with parishioners and local business needs to be done and a full assessment of what has been achieved by the VDS so far. The Local District Plan adopted in 2006 more or less protects Boarhunt from **any** further development, based on the new sustainability criteria. However, this document is going to be reviewed again in December, so his advice is to hold off doing anything until after this Review is completed. The review will include a breakdown of where every single plot(s) suitable for development is located, in the Winchester District. In the meantime no further new development will be permitted in Boarhunt.

There is the alternative possibility of producing a Village Plan which could encompass all the information in the VDS but contain a 'wish list' on a wider range of issues other than planning. The P/C need to make a decision on which way to go. This was discussed and it was agreed to hold off until after the Planning Policy Review and then decide the way forward. D/G asked if it was a possibility for the Team now in place to take a Village Plan on. This would need to be discussed by the VDS Team.

D/G thanked the VDS Team for their hard work to date.

f. Report on Grant Application, Forest of Bere.

S/L reported a successful outcome from the application to Awards For All for £10,000 for environmental work in the Boarhunt Enclosure. Clearance, planting and two years of maintenance work included. This will enhance and enrich the area to the north side of the footpath from Trampers Lane adjacent to Ivy Cottage. Pam Eastwood, forest Ranger, will now take this plan forward with back up from Forest Enterprise. It is to be noted that a report on the progress of this project has to be made back to Awards for All, on their forms, at the completion of the work.

g. B2177, 30 mph. Progress Report.

No further news this month

h. Recreation Ground, Toilet Cubicle, Repairs to Bench and Pavilion.

E/S apologised for delays to completion of toilet cubicle and will hopefully be completing work this week. The door of the Pavilion will also be attended to. E/G advised Paul Collins will repair bench by games area.

i. Precept, 2008-9, examine figures.

Clerk had supplied all councillors with a breakdown of figures from the first half of this financial year for their information. There have been several items in the system that have unexpectedly escalated. This has resulted in a predicted overspend on the last precept. In order to ensure viability next year's precept must rise to £10,500. E/S proposed acceptance of this proposal, seconded by J/P. It was agreed unanimously.

j. Electronic supply of Minutes/ Agendas. Successful?

It was agreed by all P/C's having access to e-mail that this is working. Continue.

k. Lease Renewal, to Boarhunt social Club.

The completed Lease has been signed and countersigned by both the Social Club and the Parish Council. Awaiting copies for file from Warner Goodman Commercial.

l. Possible Interview(s), Replacement Clerk.

Sadly, the possibility of an experienced clerk to take over has fallen by the wayside. However, there is still an interested applicant, currently away on holiday. E/G to continue to advertise the position.

4. County/District Councillors Report.

F/A reported that there has been a very long meeting on the Hants. Minerals Plan. 13 sites short listed. None are near here. Likewise, there is a need for more emergency landfill sites for Hants. Only 10% of waste is dealt with in this way. No sites near here either. Sites for aggregate recycling are also needed. The travellers have been successfully moved on from Portsmouth Water land adjacent to Nelson's Monument. There is a maximum load issue there because of its relationship to the reservoir. HCC need to address the requirement for permanent sites for 18 pitches within a short time scale.

An increase of fly tipping has been reported in our area.

F/A will look into the fact that Trampers Lane had only one verge cut this year, and that not satisfactory. E/G stated that a second pass has been requested to tidy the verge, and open up the visibility splay from the hall entrance.

Decisions on Post Office closures will be coming out in October. There are 600 PO's in Hampshire. 20% will close. (120) There is no appeal process. Rural areas may see mobile services initiated.

J/C reported that recycling has doubled to 40% since the advent of the fortnightly collections. Any problems, please call WCC. Households with more than 6 occupants are to have an extra bin. There are no plans to have kerbside glass recycling, nor food waste collection as a separate commodity.

The West of Waterlooville development will be commencing in the New Year at the Hambledon Road end. Plans for the southern areas of the MDA will be following.

The Governments advertised tax rebate to Serviceman of Community Charges is discovered to actually be a one off payment, but not from local councils.

5. Correspondence.

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

HCC. Hants. Minerals and Waste Development Framework – Core strategy. Website for full analysis: Highways, Climbing Lanes, M27, Junctions 11 to 12, commencing Jan. 2008: Planning Your Journey, info leaflets.

W.C.C. Forward Plan, key decisions: Council Minutes, do we need hard copy?: West of Waterlooville, MDA, do we want continued newsletters?

HAPTC. AGM Notice, resolutions, standing orders for AGM's: Annual Report, Andover Carer centre: Accounts and Audit Regulations: Guidance, Licensing Act 2006: Kate Rowlandson to replace Jane Harrap: Multimedia Resources available to member councils for training purposes; Post Office Closure Programme. **Community Action.** Action News, Update. **AMEY Infrastructure Services.** Will be bidding for HCC Highways Maintenance Contracts, comments invited. **SLCC.** AGM Notice, CD for Clerks, information aid: Regional conference, 14.11.07. **WACA.** AGM Notice, Annual report, Community Newsletter. **Standards Board.** Code, must adopt paragraph 12(2). **DEFRA.** Act on CO2, leaflet.

6. Planning.

W16870/01 Case No. 07/02214/FUL

The Yard, Trampers Lane. Erection of detached garage/machinery store with office and addition storage space above. This is an amendment to a previously agreed plan applied for 2001. BPC made no comment.

Enforcement investigations at Poppy Cottage, Southwick Road, have been concluded. Alleged breach of planning control does not require the benefit of planning permission.

7. Finance.

BPC supported payments to the following:

Zurich Insurance Co. Premium for cover.	V No. 687	819.17
E.M.Green Clerks wages, £724.98, expenses, £80.50.	V No. 688	805.50
SEC. Pavilion, metered electricity supply	V No. 689	36.96
J.R. & M.E. Thistlethwayte. Rents, half year, Allotments, £15.00, Recreation Ground, £150.00	V No.690	165.00
P.Collins. Maintenance, Recreation Ground, August.	V No. 691	150.00

Statement of accounts: Treasure's Account	196.01	(After all above transacted.)
Business Call account	2856.64	ditto
30 Day Community Fund	623.41	
Scottish Widows 60 Day Account	20885.40	

8. Highway Matters.

The verge in Trampers Lane has at last been cut. However, not a very good job. HCC notified.

J/C stated that the work to repair the safety rails in Black house Lane is in hand.

A new warning sign relating to horse traffic has been installed adjacent to Oakwood, Southwick Road.

Same area, always water lying, is it a leak? J/P to keep a watch on it.

J/C reported young cyclists in dark clothing after dark with no lights. Paul Thompson to remind members of Youth Club of safety issues.

9. For Information.

A parishioner has been kindly clearing litter at the recreation ground. Many thanks to whoever it is.

There are reports of young people in cars using drugs at the recreation ground. To be reported to the police. Car registrations requested if possible.

10. Date of Next Meeting.

TUESDAY 6th November, 2007. Please note change of day.

Meeting closed 9.05 p.m.

Evelyn Green.

Clerk.