

# BOARHUNT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

1. **Apologies.** Mr.F.Allgood County Councillor  
Mr.E.Schofield Vice Chairman
  
2. **Present.** Mr.D.Green Chairman  
Mr.N.Eastman Councillor  
Mrs. S.Leatham Councillor  
Mrs.J.Pratt Councillor  
Mrs.E.Green Clerk  
Mr.J.Cooper District Councillor  
Rev.R.Green  
Mr. Brendan Gibbs Replacement Clerk  
5 Parishioners

Mrs. Jan Griffiths, Mrs Carol Williams and Mrs. Hillary Culverhouse made representations regarding the planning application for Journey's End, Trampers Lane. There are issues with over development of the site, drainage of both foul and rainwater, there being a problem with drainage in that vicinity already, adverse effects on the street scene from the parking bays, adverse effects on the local conservation area, Little Forest, which is designated as ancient woodland, and loss of privacy. The proposals are not in accordance with the Village Design Statement, especially regarding back land development. Trees are already being removed. The plan of the local area does not accurately represent the current layout of rear gardens from Hillcrest to the west.

## 2. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

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

## 3. Matters Arising.

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

Highways have not raised any objections to proposals for a replacement hall on the existing site. It has been suggested that full planning be applied for but the Committee has decided that outline planning must suffice due to the high cost of architects' plans. Architects plans have not yet been prepared for the original scheme either, due to the high costs involved, around £6000.

On fundraising, the application for £250,000 from SITA will be decided shortly. HCC has been applied to for £12,500, and WCC could match Parish Council funds for the project, times 2. £14,000 is in P/C Earmarked Reserves for the building fund, accumulated over the past seven years. However, the WCC fund is not assured as the process is competitive. The form was signed by the Chairman of the Parish Council, to confirm this money will be available. This means £28,000 could be forthcoming from WCC. Once all these local grants are in place, plus the monies banked from fund raising events, there will be the 20% of capital funding in hand, which will give access other grant agencies, such as Veolia and Sport England.

If the planning application for the existing site is granted, a further public meeting will be held to explain the pros and cons of each site. This will give parishioners all the relevant information they need before making a decision on which site is preferable. Then a parish poll will be held, run by WCC, which will give every parishioner a vote, by post.

Volunteers are still needed to join the Committee which is currently overstretched. A Treasurer is needed urgently. When E/G retires a new representative from the P/C will be needed to liaise with the BVHC.

### b. Progress of Planning Application for Hall on Present Site.

Paul Harmsworth and Derek Ross need to get the application sent in as soon as possible. It will then be a minimum of 12 weeks before a decision is made.

### c. Youth Club, update.

Whilst the youth club is functioning well, it has been necessary to use the 'red card' to suspend a couple of children for three weeks due to bad behaviour and lack of respect. Paul Thompson has bought some

new equipment for the club, a pool table and a football game. The Chairman thanked Mr. Brendan Gibbs (Clerk elect) for his donation of two reconditioned computers and associated equipment for the Youth Club. They will be supplied as soon as it is possible to arrange a meeting.

J/C has paid rent for an allotment for the Youth Club to use as a project and will get it prepared in time for the spring.

**d. Boarhunt May Weekend, final outcomes.**

Despite all efforts £600 is still outstanding from an Auction of Promise item. N/E will continue to chase this up. As this item cost money to purchase for the Auction maybe there is a need to get legal advice.

**e. B2177, 30 mph. Progress Report.**

A speed survey has been carried out for a week. This will give a base line to judge the effect of the 30 mph once it is in place. J/C reported that the Police are not keen on these restrictions as it places a greater obligation for them to enforce limits. However, HCC will override any adverse decisions. The scheme will be put in place.

**f. Recreation Ground, Toilet Cubicle, Repairs to Bench and Pavilion.**

As E/S not present, no feedback on this. Regrettably there has already been vandalism to the building.

**g. Replacement Clerk.**

On 29<sup>th</sup> October the P/C met to interview Mr. Brendan Gibbs, who has applied to become Clerk to the Parish Council. As Vice Chairman of Denmead Parish Council, and Chairman of their Planning Committee, he already has considerable experience of Parish Council work, and he comes highly recommended by referees. It was agreed to appoint him and he will take over at the January P/C meeting, 7.1.08.

**4. County/District Councillors Report.**

F/A's report attached.

J/C reported that there have been 5 notifications of Post Office closures in this District. Southwick and Wickham are not affected. West Meon will be losing their PO and are contesting the decision.

There is a requirement for a mobile phone mast in this area, poor reception frequently being reported. It will not be on Portsdown Hill as it could have affects on scientific equipment housed there.

Surveys have revealed that Winchester is the best place in the country to live, but has the worst effect on the environment, and a new committee has been formed to look at what can be done to lessen the adverse effects concerned with climate change.

An Olympic size running track is to be built in Winchester, at Bar End, and will be administrated by Winchester University. Some funding is already in place but more will be applied for.

WCC is part of PUSH, which looks at forward planning for next 20 years. There is deep concern regarding the amount of housing which is proposed for land between Wickham and Knowle. Fareham B/Council does not want extra housing within its boundaries.

Large sums of taxpayers money has been saved by WCC, amounting to over M£1, £60,000 by renegotiating utility supplies alone, and applying other cost cutting measures. The accounts have been audited and signed off as satisfactory.

25% of electors have registered to vote by telephone, improving take up, and saving on follow up administration.

Responsibility for Gambling has been taken on by WCC, from the Licensing Authorities.

Planning Enforcement has weaknesses which will be addressed. Communication to this effect is imminent.

J/C is supporting an application for capital funding for a community vehicle to share with Southwick for local people to share use of. Volunteer drivers would be required. It may be that Newtown and Soberton could be included in the bid. It would be a free service for elderly residents, but other users would pay by the trip.

## 5. Correspondence.

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

**HCC.** Hants. Minerals and Waste Development Framework – Newsletter, consultation, CD supplied:  
Parish Transportation: Planning Hants. Future, newsletter, Hants Structure Plan update: Hants. Rural  
Pathfinder Report 2007 newsletter.

**W.C.C.** Forward Plan, key decisions: Council Minutes: Request for information on hall for use as  
polling station: Housing Forum: Local Development Framework, developing the core strategy:  
Running a successful event.

**HAPTC.** Hants. Access to Services Programme, Post Offices: Surface Water, drainage rebate:  
Increase in Statutory holiday entitlement: Proposals to revise Quality Councils programme: Locum  
Clerk provision: Parish Poll on EU reform: Good race relations: The Green Book, national  
agreement: Bulletins: Management Development Programme for Chairs/Councillors/Clerks to larger  
councils: Adoption of Constitution and name change from HAPTC to Hants Association of Local  
Councils: Hants. Clerks' conference.

**Standards Board.** Code, must adopt paragraph 12(2). Action this meeting. **Community Action.**  
Action Update, newsletter: Rural Excellence Scheme, meeting 13.11.07: Creating a sustainable  
village: Charities Act 2006: AGM notice, 21.11.07. **Hants. Fire and Rescue.,** Consultation  
booklet. **SEERA.** Newsletter. **Postwatch.** Consultation document. **Home Start, Mon Valley &  
CAB.** Requests for donation. **Playing Fields Association.** AGM notice, Annual Report, newsletter.  
**Fareham Borough Council.** Consultation of future of Coldeast site. **CPRE.** Newsletter.

## 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. Permitted.

W02723/14 Case No.07/02287/FUL

Chartwell, Bere farm Lane. Conversion of integral garage to accommodation and in filing of porch with  
new canopy, erection of new detached garage. BPC no comment.

W03772/04 07/00090/REFUSE.

Merryvale, Southwick Road. Demolition of existing dwelling and building of 2 detached dwellings. This  
application was refused and will be taken to Appeal. Comments by 15.11.07

W14825/05 Case No. 07/02548/FUL

Land off Bere Farm Lane. Replacement hay store and implement store/workshop. BPC supported.

W02623/02 Case No. 07/01908/OUT

Journeys End, Trampers Lane. Convert and extend existing dwelling to form 2 no. semi detached three  
bed dwellings: erection of 1 no. 4 bedroom detached dwelling and garage in rear garden of Journey End.  
BPC opposed on grounds of over development of the site, concerns regarding drainage, both foul and  
rainwater, affect on local environment, both ecological and street scene.

Planning Enforcement list received.

**7. Finance.**

BPC supported payments to the following:

Warner Goodman, Commercials. Balance of fee for new lease to Boarhunt Social Club.	V No 692	60.20
Portsmouth Water. Metered supply at recreation Ground.	V No. 693	12.75
SEC LTD. Street lighting maintenance and repairs.	V No. 694	293.88

Confirmation of Direct Debit to Information Commissioners Office. £35.

The annual External Audit has been successfully completed.

Request for Precept requirements received from WCC.

A letter has been received from Mr. John Gauntlett regarding the donation BPC sends to contribute to the maintenance of the Churchyard at St. Nicholas Church, South Boarhunt. During the coming year the church roof will be removed and replaced. The Church will therefore be closed for a considerable period, resulting in a loss of revenue for that period. It has been requested that BPC increases its donation this year to help offset this deficit. It was agreed that the donation should be increased by £250 to £750 for this coming financial year. The Precept will be adjusted accordingly.

**8. Highway Matters.**

Mr. Neal reported that the safety rails beside the stream in Black House Lane have not been repaired.

E/G reported request for action on overgrown verge between The Bungalow and Spirlings, Southwick Road. This is causing visibility problems for pedestrians and drivers leaving Spirlings driveway. HCC notified.

**9. For Information.**

The revised Code of Conduct, including Paragraph 12(2) formally adopted. Proposed by N/E and seconded by S/L.

A new P/C representative will be needed to attend the BVH Committee meetings once E/G has retired. Agenda item next month.

J/C reported that there is to be a by-election in Wickham following the death of Mrs Fitzgerald.

**10. Date of Next Meeting.**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2007.

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

Evelyn Green.

Clerk.