

2012/15

**Meeting of Crophorne Parish Council held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 in the Village School 7:30pm.**

**0. CO-OPTION of one councillor**

As there were still no applications to fill the vacancy the clerk was asked to advertise for the November meeting.

**1. APOLOGIES**

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| Present were | Chair R Annis    | WDC Cllr T McDonald |
|              | V/chair T Meikle |                     |
|              | Cllr M West      | 0 parishioners      |
|              | Cllr J King      | Clerk R J Coles     |
|              | Cllr T Hardy     |                     |
|              | Cllr J Segar     |                     |

Apology was received from WCC Cllr Eyre.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr J King – personal & prejudicial – Village Hall Chair  
Cllr J Segar – personal – Village Hall Committee  
Cllr T Hardy – personal & prejudicial – plans 01987/02041/01992

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

V/chair Meikle proposed, seconded by Cllr King, and the meeting agreed that the minutes for the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011 be accepted and signed by Chair.

**4. FLOODING – JULY 2007 – AFTERMATH**

- a) WDC grant of £1,000 is still being considered.
- b) Following the approval of the neighbouring planning application the clerk has still to progress the potential ditch on the bend at Patty's Farm with the WDC engineer in conjunction with the currently awarded £2500.

**5. POLICING – contacts are PC Dave Shortell & CSO Rod Gurney (03003 333000 Ext 3408/3499)**

The clerk was asked to follow up the open invite to attend the next meeting.

**6. CHARITIES - none**

**7. VILLAGE HALL (to include Sheppey Play & Community Projects and Village Shop)**

**Village Hall Update** – Cllr King reported that fundraising, website and existing refurbishment snagging was underway. Trenching started today on the ground source heating, 100m cable for electric light at the MUGA obtained for laying in a relevant trench, tractor had been taken away for sharpening/servicing, thanks due to Chair Annis. The 'Awards For All' grant application (£10k) for internal equipment had failed whilst Welcome To Our Future application (£10k) was underway for the heating project.

**Sheppey Play & Community Projects** – Cllr Segar reported that the long awaited Tree Cabin was under construction. The clerk continues to manage the finances as requested by full council and with guidance from CALC.

As there were no parishioners present the meeting continued.

**8. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S / DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

WCC Cllr McDonald issued a report covering the South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) consultation period (26/09/11 to 18/11/11) with particular reference to Evesham Town Hall on 09/11/11, a Wednesday between 2-8pm for Fladbury, Crophorne & Sedgberrow. Other venues are available from the clerk. A Peer Review was held at WDC with Elmbridge Sussex with plenty of opportunities to improve. Recent opening of Crophorne Village Hall and Fladbury Pool Garden had taken place with

WDC support and plenty of local enthusiasm. He mentioned that there were grants from WCC under an 'Open Break'

## 9. MATTERS ARISING

- a) Wychavon Way – The clerk reported that WCC were satisfied that they had consulted sufficiently on the recent rerouting of this footpath to reflect its name more closely.
- b) PC meetings venue – This item is carried forward to November.

## 10. SOCIAL HOUSING – note consultation & planning application awaited.

Following failure of the expected planning application to appear and the current SWDP consultation there was an extensive discussion with regards the Parish Council's position being developed. This would be aided by a possible village wide survey currently being planned; this could include recent work on site identification around the whole village with WDC. The main options appear to be little or no development especially due to village infrastructure, out of parish council's control as an exception site and local needs would override; the limited development of say the proposed eight units with the resulting problems of inadequate infrastructure and siting of social housing; or possibly a bigger mixed development of social/private housing that could provide the necessary infrastructure upgrades required as a prerequisite. All councillors were asked to think about the issues and be prepared to discuss the item in detail at the next meeting in November. The clerk was asked to investigate whether the real waiting list for qualifying applicants to Crophorne could be ascertained from a previously reluctant WDC.

## 11. LENGTHSMAN

12. **PARISH PLAN** – priority continues with Sheppey Play & Community Projects above.

## 13. PLANNING

- a) **W/10/02601/CU – Field off track to fisherman's car park Jubilee Bridge at Mill Bank Fladbury** - Support for Fladbury Parish Council and Crophorne Mill owners together with a number of concerns have been filed and a decision is awaited. This decision is delayed pending further investigations with the Environmental Agency; however local objections cover many other aspects. Fladbury Parish Council is to approach Jack Hegarty (MD) and Gill Collin (Planning) at WDC due to the severe delays which are causing concerns over what the real objections are to this application rather than the entanglement with the technical aspects of the EA objection. The EA have recently requested a full blown topographical survey. WDC are trying to expedite this application but are wary of getting bogged down in further withdrawals/applications and appeals, and are trying to get the right decision first time.
- b) **W/11/01843/CU – Mrs B Smith, 9 Evergreen Bank, Main Rd – Application to remove condition 1 of planning permission W/07/00857 to allow permanent occupancy of site** – An objection has been filed and a decision is awaited.
- c) **W/11/01691/PN & 01692/LB – Mr A Findlay, Chairman of Holland House – Provision of disabled sleeping accommodation and improvements to toilets & additional shower rooms and double bedroom with en-suite.** – A no objection response was filed and a decision is awaited.
- d) **W/11/01756/CU – Miss D Connors (re Severn Acres), Caravan 1 & 2, Crophorne Bushes, Main Rd – Continued use of land as a small private 3 pitch gypsy site for 3 mobile homes, 3 touring caravans and associated ancillary development** - An objection has been filed and a decision is awaited.
- e) **W/11/01987/LB – Agent Mr Robinson for Brook Farm Cottage – Retrospective listed building consent for satellite antenna** - It was agreed that a no objection response would be filed. (Cllr Hardy absented himself for this item)
- f) **W/11/02041/LB & 01992/PP – Agent Mr Robinson for Brook Farm Cottage – Application to vary condition 3 of Listed Building Consent ref W/09/00083/LB to remove requirement for obscure glazing.** - It was agreed that an objection would be filed. (Cllr Hardy absented himself for this item and was recalled by Chair on its completion)
- g) **W/11/02031/CU – Mr W Kimberley of Evesham re Land Junction with Main Rd, Field Barn Lane – Change of use of land for storage and maintenance of fairground sweet stalls, swing boats and market stalls.** - WDC reply required within 21 days of 29/09/11 (i.e. 20/10/11)

**South Worcestershire Development Plan Preferred Options Village and Town Consultation Road Shows starts Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September and finishes on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, particular reference is drawn to a Crophorne event at Evesham Town Hall on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2-8pm. The village website will be updated to get public involvement. Parishioners present at a previous meeting will be alerted to the activity by the clerk.**

**14. FINANCE/PRECEPTING**

a) V/chair Meikle proposed, seconded by Chair Annis, and the meeting agreed that the Bank/Balance Schedules for 03/10/11 be approved for signature by Chair with the addition of the first two payments for the tree cabin when due.

b) Payments approved from above

|            |    |                             | £        |
|------------|----|-----------------------------|----------|
| 580        | 22 | Clerk sal/all/exp oct/payee | 123.79   |
| Tree Cabin |    |                             |          |
| 581        | 23 | Tree Cabin 1 of 2           | 4,500.00 |
| 582        | 24 | Tree Cabin 2 of 2           | 6,000.00 |

**15. WEBSITE – SWDP activity reported elsewhere.**

**16. CORRESPONDENCE**

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

- 1 CALC Update 23 07/07/11
- 2 CALC Update 24 14/07/11
- 3 PHS June/July newsletter
- 4 WCC Children's Trust Newsletter July
- 5 CALC Update 25 21/07/11
- 6 CALC Update 26 28/07/11
- 7 CALC Update 27 04/08/11
- 8 RHS Britain in Bloom
- 9 WCC Winter Service for 11/12
- 10 CALC Update 28 11/08/11
- 11 Watson Evesham Bridge Repair
- 12 CALC Update 29 18/08/11
- 13 C&C September
- 14 CALC Executive Officer's Report
- 15 CALC Update 30 01/09/11
- 16 WCC Grit bins
- 17 WDC McD Report September

**17. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION**

- a) A request from Fladbury Parish Council to investigate how footpath 525 can be reinstated in full will be supported through WCC Footpaths Warden Hilary Hall.
- b) The annual Firework notice will be placed on the Noticeboard.
- c) Drain on Main Rd up the hill towards New Inn again banging loose, clerk will report.
- d) It is noted for the record that any future closure of the Cheltenham Rd bridge in Evesham would have repercussions for the Jubilee Bridge villages and satisfactory signage and enforcement would be sought.

**18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)**

The next Meeting of Crophorne Parish Council, including precept, is on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2011 7:30pm at the Village School. Any items for inclusion on the agenda and proposed corrections to the minutes must be with the Clerk by Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2011. .

Chair closed the meeting at 09:15pm.

Signed .....(Chair)

Date.....