

Meeting of Crophorne Parish Council held on Monday 7th November 2011 in the Village School 7:30pm.

0. CO-OPTION of one councillor

A single application from Elizabeth Stoodley was proposed for acceptance by Cllr West, seconded by Cllr Segar and agreed to by the meeting. Cllr Stoodley signed her acceptance of office form and joined the meeting. The council is now at its full complement of 7.

1. APOLOGIES

Present were	Chair R Annis	WDC Cllr T McDonald (part)
	V/chair T Meikle	WCC Cllr E Eyre (part)
	Cllr M West	0 parishioners
	Cllr J King	Clerk R J Coles
	Cllr J Segar	
	Cllr E Stoodley.	

Apology received from Cllr Hardy.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr J King – personal & prejudicial – Village Hall Chair
Cllr J Segar – personal – Village Hall Committee

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cllr King proposed, seconded by V/chair Meikle, and the meeting agreed that the minutes for the meeting of 3rd October 2011 be accepted and signed by Chair.

4. FLOODING – JULY 2007 – AFTERMATH

- a) WDC grant of £1,000 is still being considered.
- b) The clerk confirmed that Martin Cross at WDC was satisfied that the proposed new drainage at the corner of Main St and Brook Lane could proceed. V/chair Meikle undertook to liaise with Cllr Hardy (as landowner) and obtain tenders for the work for agreement with WDC.

**5. POLICING – contacts are PC Dave Shortell & CSO Rod Gurney (03003 333000 Ext 3408/3499)
(Also new less urgent 101 service complements 999 emergencies)**

6. CHARITIES - none

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

Village Hall Update – Cllr King reported that although shop meeting on 27th September was attended by 28 parishioners; there was a lack of interest in volunteering to do the ground work via a steering committee. It is therefore likely to be delayed until resources tied up on current projects is freed up and experience of other local shops assessed. The possibility of a part time shop at busy periods on summer weekends could be investigated. The field requires stone picking following the recent ground heating installation before it can be added to the regular mowings. The ground heating was started up today and would be closely monitored. The Welcome to our Future £10k grant had been achieved towards this heating project and subsequent solar panels. There will be a quiz on 3rd December £5, bar, supper, raffle etc. The cost of fixing the mower was greater than expected and a request has been received by the Parish Council for additional funding. It was proposed by Chair Annis and the meeting agreed that the Parish Council would pay the total £722.60 plus Vat in exchange for its outstanding grant of £665 being used, this was agreed by the meeting with Cllr King not taking part.

Sheppey Play & Community Projects – Cllr Segar reported that the Tree Fort was opened this weekend past and was a great hit. The clerk confirmed that funding was still neutral to the Parish Council following the two short term loans from Chair Annis and V/chair Meikle.

As there were no parishioners present the meeting continued.

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

Both WCC Cllr Eyre and WDC Cllr McDonald have issued reports which have been circulated.

9. **MATTERS ARISING**

- a) PC meetings venue – It was proposed by Chair Annis, seconded by Cllr West and the meeting agreed, with Cllrs King & Segar not taking part, to switch meetings of the Parish Council from 2012 to the Village Hall providing dates can be agreed immediately for £10/meeting.
- b) Footpath 525 – The clerk will contact Hilary Hall.

10. **SOCIAL HOUSING – note consultation & planning application still awaited.**

It was agreed that the Chair & V/chair would approach the relevant landowner to ascertain what may or may not be happening with the recently proposed project in Field Barn Lane North. This item is taken up by the SWDP item below.

11. **LENGTHSMAN – The clerk issued the Sep/Oct report.**

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 permission has been granted.
- 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 permission has been granted.
- 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 two year restricted extension has been granted whilst the applicants find another site.
- e) **W/11/01987/LB – Agent Mr Robinson for Brook Farm Cottage – Retrospective listed building consent for satellite antenna** – A no objection response was filed and permission has been granted.
- 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.** – An objection has been filed and permission has been granted for the second bedroom only.
- 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.** – Major Concerns and reservations were filed and a decision is awaited.
- h) **W/11/02207/LUE – Mr Wood, Smokey Farm, Smokey Lane – Certificate of lawful use for occupation of dwelling in breach of condition 1 of planning permission PR 210/68, agricultural occupancy condition.**- A major concern regarding splitting off of the property has been filed and a decision is awaited.
- i) **W/11/02224/PN – Mr Strickland, Heath Works – Proposed extension to industrial unit 3 & associated works** – It was agreed that major concerns will be filed. WDC reply required within 21 days of 20/10/11 (i.e. 10/11/11)
- j) **W/11/02312/PN – Village Hall – Improve external lighting, additional car park lighting, installation of solar panels and ground source heating** – It was agreed to support the Village Hall with this application as per usual. WDC reply required within 21 days of 27/10/11 (i.e. 17/11/11)

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South Worcestershire Development Plan Preferred Options Village and Town Consultation Road Shows starts Monday 26th September and finishes on Friday 18th November, particular reference is drawn to a Crophorne event at Evesham Town Hall on Wednesday 9th November 2-8pm. The village website has been updated to get public involvement. Parishioners present at a previous meeting have been alerted to the activity by the clerk. It was agreed that the clerk would respond with issues covering the existing activity on the relevant site and also parishioners' concerns over current inadequate water, electrical, sewage and access infra structures.

14. FINANCE/PRECEPTING

- a) V/chair Meikle proposed, seconded by Chair Annis, and the meeting agreed to approve the Bank/Balance Schedules for 07/11/11 to be signed by Chair with the addition of a late invoice for the lengthsman service.

- b) Payments approved from above

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583	25	MUGA cable	102.00
584	26	Tree Cabin design/cons	600.00
585	27	Worcs Wildlife Trust re Lottery	400.00
586	28	Clerk sal/all/exp nov/paye	151.04
587	29	Lengthsman sep/oct	43.60

- c) The clerk presented the 5 year precept model which the meeting discussed. It was proposed by Cllr West, seconded by Cllr Segar and the meeting agreed that the precept for 2012/13 be maintained at the current level of £4390.

15. WEBSITE - none

16. CORRESPONDENCE

6th October 2010

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| 1 | Watson/MP | Evesham Bridge Repair |
| 2 | CALC | Update 31 08/09/11 |
| 3 | WDC | Affordable Housing in Crophorne response |
| 4 | Ord Sur | Rights of Way |
| 5 | CALC | Update 32 14/09/11 |
| 6 | BoundComm | 2013 Review of Parliamentary constituencies in England |
| 7 | CALC | Issue 33 22/09/11 |
| 8 | CALC | AGM 13/10/11 |
| 9 | CPRE | How to respond to planning applications – an 8 step guide |
| 10 | PHS | NewsLetter Aug/Sep |
| 11 | RSNetwork | How to save money on heating oil |
| 12 | WCC Waste | Consultation on addendum |
| 13 | Telecare | already given out |
| 14 | WDC McD | Report October emailed |
| 15 | WDC Stats | To Alan Hughes emailed |
| 16 | 60 th Jubilee | Bacons etc |
| 17 | CALC | Update 34 06/10/11 |

17. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION

- a) It was agreed that a motion to support WCC, WDC and Cotswold Line with regards to a proposal to start services from Evesham to Birmingham with improved rail facilities between Evesham & Worcester and at Norton would be discussed at the next meeting.
- b) Cllr Segar reported that the Youth Bus had visited the village on November 3rd and was a success with a further visit planned for December 1st. A deal of two free sessions followed by a funded programme of visits will be discussed at the next meeting.

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18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(s)

The next Meeting of Cropthorne Parish Council is on Monday 5th December 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 27th November 2011.

Chair closed the meeting at 09:40pm.

Signed (Chair)

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