

Hurstbourne Tarrant Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING	: 16 June 2008
TIME OF MEETING	: 7.30 p m
VENUE OF MEETING	: PAVILION
TYPE OF MEETING	: ORDINARY
PRESENT	: MR D JOPSON (DJ)
	: MRS D MURDOCH (DCM)
	: MRS F DAVIS (FD)
	: MR A HAIGHTON (AH)
CHAired BY	: MR D SULLIVAN (DS)
IN ATTENDANCE	: MR D BAKER (DB)
ALSO PRESENT	JOHN HOARE & TREVOR WHEELER MR & MRS RUSSELL

1. Apologies

1.1 Apologies were received from Councillor Debbie Miller

2. Public participation

2.1 Mr & Mrs Russell raised a concern regarding road safety in the vicinity of the Plaster shop on the Ibthorpe road close to its junction with the A343. Since the completion of the safer route to school work carried out by HCC the speed of traffic entering the Ibthorpe road from the A343 has remained excessive. On one occasion this led to the 4 protective wooden bollards being demolished outside the Plaster shop by a vehicle that was unable to stop. Martin Wiltshire HCC highways officer has been informed and involved in these matters raised by Mr & Mrs Russell – but to date no solution has been forthcoming and traffic continues to pass by at excessive speeds posing a safety risk.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed that a safety risk existed and that this warranted further attention by HCC. A letter would be submitted to Martin Wiltshire re-iterating the Parish Council's concern and that a site visit should be arranged where interested parties and the Parish Council could review their concerns with Martin Wiltshire and press for an improved solution to address the safety risk. - **DB to action.**

3. Actions arising from the previous meeting

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Councillor Fliss Davis was requested to complete her register of interests. – FD to action - completed
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It was agreed to place depreciation on the June parish council agenda – DB to action. - completed
Councillors agreed a donation of £450 should be made for the upkeep of the churchyard. – DB to action. - completed
Councillors agreed to donate £50 towards the cost of cutting and tidying of the common. DB to action - completed
Councillors agreed to appoint Tammy King as their internal auditor for the financial year 2008/09. It was further agreed to donate £25 of vouchers as a token of the parish council's appreciation of the time she had kindly volunteered to carry the annual audit for 2007/08 - DB to action - completed
Electricity consumption in the pavilion. DB to continue to monitor usage.

4. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

- 4.1 The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting of 19 May 2008 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

5. Declarations of Interest

- 5.1 Councillor David Jopson declared a personal interest in planning application 08/01400/TREEN submitted by his immediate neighbour and took no part in the discussion of that item.

6 AGAS report

- 6.1 Councillor David Jopson on behalf of Rupert Conder reported there had been no further developments concerning speeding in the village.

7 Tesco Planning application – Andover airport

- 7.1 It was reported that a misleading article had been published in the Andover Advertiser last Friday. Upper Clatford PC were co-ordinating a formal response and had submitted a Freedom of Information request to TVBC to determine exactly what planning officer resources, skills and costs had been deployed to assess the Andover airport planning application.
- 7.2 It was felt that HGV traffic had increased recently on the A343 brought about by rising diesel costs and the assumption that the A343 was being used as a short cut to the A34/A303. ASDA delivery lorries were now regularly using the A343 as a route.
- 7.3 Still no date had been fixed by TVBC to consider the Andover airport planning application.
- 7.4 **RESOLVED:** Councillors agreed that Rupert Conder be asked to draft a letter re-stating the PC objections to the Andover airport planning application – **RC to action.**

8. Depreciation of Parish Council Assets

- 8.1 A detailed discussion took place on the council's assets and the asset register was reviewed and updated. Valuations of the buildings, other property, and sports surfaces for insurance purposes were checked and retained at their current valuations. Valuations on contents and play equipment were reduced to be more in-line with their current value. The clerk was actioned to assess the impact the changes might have on the annual insurance premium and to investigate the additional cost of taking out a new for old insurance cover on contents and play equipment items. – **DB to action.**

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9. Correspondence and Councillor Reports

- 9.1 The list of correspondence received during the month was read and passed to the relevant councillor.
- 9.2 Councillor David Jopson reported the following planning applications had been received. The council went on to discuss each application in turn.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed the following actions would be taken:

08/01262/LBWN	20 May 08	Retention of inglenook fireplace Highford House, 1 Windmill Lane, Ibthorpe, Andover Mr James Williams – No comment
08/01217/TPON	20 May 08	T23 (Ash) reduce crown by 5.5metres (50%) 16 Dean Rise, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Andover Hampshire Mrs Sarah Hodgen – No comment
08/01400/TREEN	11 Jun 08	Remove 1 Seed Tree, Remove 2 lower branches on remaining 2 trees to balance. The Squirrels, The Dene, Hurstbourne Tarrant. Mr Jeff Smith - No Comment
08/01479/AGNN	12 Jun 08	Erection of timber hay barn Ibthorpe Manor Farm, Horseshoe Lane, Ibthorpe Mrs Joanna Jensen – No comment
08/01427/ADV N	13 Jun 08	Erection of an internally illuminated pole mounted double sided display unit Dean Garage, The Dene, Hurstbourne Tarrant Andover Miss Helen Groth – Objection to be submitted – DJ to action

- 9.3 Councillor Dinah Murdoch had nothing significant to report this month. Grass on the King George playing fields seemed rather long and she would chase up HCC for an additional cut – **DCM to action.**
- 9.4 Councillor Alan Haighton had nothing to report on transport or highways. It was noted that the planned resurfacing on the A343 had not taken place as notified by HCC. He had received a request for the grass to be cut on the upper play area in Dean Rise – **DCM to action**
- 9.5 Councillor David Jopson reported that still no footway maintenance had been carried out. A further chaser to HCC to be issued on the 3 outstanding service requests – **DB to action.** David had also received a request from Jan Caddie to hold a charity tea party on July 12 on the George V playing fields. **DCM was action to contact Jan.**
- 9.6 Councillor David Sullivan had nothing to report on health matters. It was noted that there was a damaged concrete post close to the school footbridge.
- 9.7 Councillor Fliess Davis reported that the Upton summer BBQ had been postponed and re-scheduled to the August Bank Holiday.

10. Next meeting and forward plan update

- 10.1 The next Hurstbourne Tarrant Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 21 July 2008 in the Pavilion at 7.30 p.m. A request had been received from Sue Scott to address the Council at its July meeting to provide information about a proposal to hold a school pageant in 2009 – **DB to action agenda item.**

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10 Disbursements – 16th June 2008.

The following cheques were presented for signature:

Number	Payee	Amount
597	TVBC	£ 651.27
598	ROSPA	£ 141.00
599	Hurstbourne Tarrant Church Hall	£ 40.00
600	D R Baker	£ 300.00
601	Murdoch Farms Ltd	£ 105.75
602	P G Anthony	£ 36.00

Total authorised: **£1274.02**

Meeting closed 8.37 p.m.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date:.....