

# Hurstbourne Tarrant Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING	: 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2010
TIME OF MEETING	: 7.30 p m
VENUE OF MEETING	: CHURCH HALL
TYPE OF MEETING	: ORDINARY
PRESENT	: MR D JOPSON (DJ)
	: MRS DEBBIE MILLER (DM)
	: MRS FLISS DAVIS (FD)
	: MRS DINAH MURDOCH (DCM)
CHAired BY	: MR DAVID SULLIVAN (DS)
IN ATTENDANCE	: MR D BAKER (DB)
ALSO PRESENT	: RUPERT CONDER : CLLR PAM MUTTON (HCC) : IAN DONALDSON

## 1. Apologies

1.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Alan Houghton and Peter Giddings (TVBC)

## 2. Public participation

2.1 None.

## 3. Actions arising from the previous meeting:

3.1

Countryside Access map-board. Councillor David Sullivan would make alternative arrangements to have the map-board installed in the parish car park – <b>DS to action</b>
Councillor Pam Mutton reminded the meeting that her small capital projects scheme required applications to be submitted before the end of February – DS to action - <b>Carried forward</b>
There was an excellent presentation made by HCC Trading Standards officer on doorstep crime and rogue traders. He recommended that the officer be invited to speak at the next Annual Parish meeting on 17 <sup>th</sup> of May 2010. – DB to action. – <b>Completed</b>
To install additional local grit bins in areas that had been subject to local icing problems. It was agreed to place this topic on the agenda at the next parish council meeting. – DB to action - <b>Completed</b>
Councillors agreed to make a donation of £100 to FWAG – DB to action - <b>Completed.</b>

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Cllr David Jopson was asked to check on a potential change of use planning consent requirement and some planned tree maintenance work with TVBC planning department. – DJ to action - **Completed**

## 4. Approval of minutes of the meeting 18<sup>th</sup> January 2010

4.1 The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

## 5. Declarations of Interest

5.1 Councillor Dinah Murdoch declared a personal interest regarding two planning applications covering tree maintenance (10/00177/TREEN & 10/00178/TREEN) and took no part in the discussion of those items.

## 6. AGAS report

6.1 Rupert Conder presented the February AGAS report:

6.2 Please see Appendix 1 for full report details.

## 7 Correspondence

7.1 The list of correspondence received during the month was read and passed to the relevant councillor.

7.2 Fields in Trust request for renewal of £35.00 membership fee for 2010 was accepted.

This item of expenditure was approved at the parish council meeting on 14th December 2009 (reference Item no 13.3 Part 1).

## 8 Planning Applications

8.1 The following planning applications were discussed:

**RESOLVED:** Councillors agreed that the actions documented below would be taken:

09/02365/FULLN	20 Jan 10	Extension to residential cartilage and erection of timber framed double garage 3 Lower Doiley Cottages, Doiley Bottom, Hurstbourne Tarrant Mr K Cattermoule – Considered by Northern Area Planning Committee on 28th January – <b>Note Committee approved the application.</b>
09/02585/CAWN	28 Jan 10	Demolition of existing pavilion Hurstbourne Tarrant Recreation Ground, Church Street, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Andover. Mr A Russell – <b>No comment</b>
09/02584/FULLN	28 Jan 10	Erection of replacement community building together with car park and bike rack. Hurstbourne Tarrant Recreation Ground, Church Street, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Andover. Mr A Russell – <b>No comment</b>
10/00177/TREEN	02 Feb 10	Reduce height of 1 Cherry tree by 1.5 metres. Prune side branches up to 1 metre. Parsonage Farm, Church Street, Hurstbourne Tarrant Mrs Dinah Murdoch – <b>No comment</b>
10/00178/TREEN	02 Feb 10	Reduce height of 1 Cherry tree by 1.5 metres. Prune side branches up to 1 metre. Hutchins Cottage, Church Street, Hurstbourne Tarrant Mrs Dinah Murdoch – <b>No comment</b>
10/00187/FULLN	04 Feb 10	Erection of two dwellings and associated parking

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		15 Dines Close, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Andover, SP11 0BE Mr & Mrs Ian Donaldson – <b>No comment</b>
10/00281/TREEN	11 Feb 10	Reduce crown of Yew to give height of 4 metres and spread of 2.5 metres Shepherds Peace, Church Street, Hurstbourne Tarrant Mrs Elizabeth Allinson – <b>No comment</b>

Councillor Pam Mutton (HCC) confirmed that there had been no changes the Andover airport planning application – the A343 remained a banned route for HGV traffic and the Section 106 agreement remained in place.

## 9 Councillors' reports:

- 9.1 Councillor David Jopson reported that the gate to the new green area in Dines Close was in need of repair. Clerk was asked to write to TVBC requesting the work to be carried out. – **DB to action**. Councillor David Jopson reported that the footway outside Shepherds Peace cottage Church Street was in need of repair. Clerk was asked to write to HCC requesting the work to be carried out. – **DB to action**.
- 9.2 Councillor Fliiss Davies reported that 2 of the major potholes on the Upton - Tanglely road had been repaired and a third pothole by the Portman track was marked up for repair.
- 9.3 Councillors David Sullivan, Debbie Miller and Dinah Murdoch had nothing to report.

## 10 Clerk's report

- 10.1 The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Quality Scheme Panel assessed Hurstbourne Tarrant's application for Quality Status on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February. The application was unanimously approved. Feedback from NALC was quoted as 'They were particularly impressed with the enthusiasm and endeavours of the council to attempt to make the parish an even better place'.
- 10.2 Councillors were reminded to submit any outstanding financial claims for approval on the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010 in preparation for the financial year closure of accounts.
- 10.3 Allotments: the waitlist of applications for allotment plots had risen to 10. Those applicants resident within the parish will be given priority when vacant plots became available.
- 10.4 Councillor Roger Smith (VDPC) had been approached and was considering the merits of a shared scheme to enhance Hurstbourne Tarrant and Vernham Dean village websites.
- 10.5 Clerk's training in 2010/11 requested approval to attend:
  - HALC clerks' conference on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010.
  - Local Council Finance for Clerks/RFO's 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

**RESOLVED:** Councillors approved the clerk's training requests.

## 11 HCC/TVBC requests for service.

- 11.1 There were no items of outstanding correspondence or requests for service with either HCC or TVBC to report.

## 12 A review of the new model standing orders issued by NALC

- 12.1 David Baker presented a report on the new model standing orders published by NALC on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2010. In all, 12 sections will require further examination and

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appropriate modifications to be drawn up. It was agreed to set up a working party consisting of Councillors David Sullivan and David Jopson to carry out the detailed work and to report back a set of recommended changes for approval by the parish council. – **DS, DJ and DB to action.**

## 13 A review of additional grit bin requirements

- 13.1 It was agreed following the experience of the recent severe weather there was a need to install grit bins in Dines Close and Dean Rise. More guidance was expected from HCC on how this scheme would be carried out. Identification of appropriate sites for the grit bins would be required and consultation with residents would be arranged regarding both the location of the bins and their use by local residents.

## 14 Next meeting and forward plan update

- 14.1 The next Hurstbourne Tarrant Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010 in the **Church Hall** at **7.30 p.m.**
- 14.2 Forward plan agenda items:
- Annual Parish meeting – initial agenda planning
  - Annual Parish Council meeting – initial agenda planning

## 15 Disbursements – 15th February 2010.

- 15.1 The following cheques were presented for signature:

Number	Payee		Amount
707	Tangley PC	SID	£ 360.00
708	FIT	Membership	£ 35.00
709	D R Baker	Clerk's fees	£ 189.92
710	Murdoch Farms Ltd	Maintenance	£ 158.63

**Total authorised: £743.55**

**PART 2 Confidential Business under Standing Orders 38 and 68** – The public and press are to be excluded from the following agenda item.

## 16 A review of the circumstances regarding the future of the church hall and to agree what actions should be taken.

- 16.1 A discussion took place to assess the impact of the expected closure and subsequent sale of the church hall. The parish council regretted the loss of this important amenity within the parish of Hurstbourne Tarrant.

Meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

Signed.....

*Chairman*

Date:.....

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Appendix 1.

## **ACTION GROUP AGAINST SPEEDING THROUGH HURSTBOURNE TARRANT (AGAS)**

### **REPORT TO THE PARISH COUNCIL FEBRUARY 2010**

1. Rupert Conder reported that we are still awaiting progress on most of the outstanding matters; however the delay is mainly due to the necessary repair work to many roads throughout the County which is urgently required following the severe frost damage.
2. The issues which are still outstanding are:
  - a. **30 mph Roundel at North end of village.** This request is on our list of requests.
  - b. **Bus Stop opposite the Bus Shelter on the A343.** HCC safety survey to consider installing a traffic pinch point at the bus stop opposite the bus shelter on the A343...
  - c. **Edge Marking.** Extension of the edge marking along the A343 to the bus shelter and to the Post Office, if the road widths permit it.
  - d. **Upton Lane Junction.** The installation of the three "Gladiator" bollards on the Upton Lane/A343 junction in The Square.
  - e. **Safe Routes to School crossing of A343.** HCC safety survey of the Safe Routes to School crossing of the A343 to see if the field of vision could be improved by pushing out the South East kerb without infringing the ability of large vehicles to turn through the chicane. A timber bollard is yet to be installed on the South East side of the school crossing.
  - f. **Ddisabled Parking.** HCC confirmation of the department responsible for the area in which it is suggested that a Disabled parking bay should be marked.
  - g. **Camera Signs.** Installation of Speed Camera signs.
3. **Gates and a new village sign at North end of the village.** I have asked Signway for a quotation for a sign and gates at the North End of the village, but they cannot give one without more detail. The information required is:- the wording of the sign, artwork required, colours, dimensions, channels on the reverse or pre-drilled holes, reflective or non-reflective sign material, supply only or supply and install. Pam Mutton said that funding may be available. As no suggestions have been made, I have taken the liberty to sketch out an idea for the consideration of the PC; comments are invited.
4. **Safe Routes to School in Upton Road.** The following suggestions have been made by several members of our community concerning the A343 crossing and the junction with Upton Road. These will be discussed with HCC:
  - a. A large sign on the A343 Andover Hill warning of a very dangerous junction
  - b. As the bridge on the A343 over the River Swift is dangerous for pedestrians, it has been suggested that a pavement should be built there. It would create a much needed pinch point to slow vehicles coming down the hill and could require a "give way to oncoming vehicles" sign since the carriageway would effectively be reduced to one lane. Although the Hampshire police are said not to like such priority delimitations, they are sanctioned by the Highway Code and are to be found in many places, e.g. on the way into Whitchurch at the railway bridge and they proliferate in many other counties as a way of slowing down traffic in villages. Usually the priority is given to traffic exiting the built up area.
  - c. Yellow hatching throughout the Square to ensure that vehicles keep the road clear and do not stop in it.
  - d. Yellow hatching on the narrow parts of Ibthorpe Road so that vehicles should not enter those areas unless the exit area is already clear.

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- e. Raised pavement edges to deter vehicles from mounting them; however care must be taken not to impede pushchairs and prams.

5. **North End of the 30 mph zone.** As cars accelerate well within the North end of the 30 mph zone and often overtake others which are observing the speed limit, it is suggested that the double white line should be extended to at least the end of the zone and possibly beyond it. This will be discussed with HCC.

6. **Speed Limit Reminder Signs.** David Jopson reported that one SLR has been installed at Wildhern and two in Vernham Deane. He watched one being installed and tested its activation speed. It activated at approx 38mph, as they have a built in tolerance of 10% they should light up at about 35mph. Since last October, two of the batteries, although apparently fully charged, failed. TVBC have purchased 4 more. The installer reported that when he opens up the fronts of the units that he has been getting showered with water contained in the housing or ice when the temperature has been below zero. David has impressed on the installer that he must check each unit, to ensure it is working before he leaves, which has not been done in the past because of his workload as he is only employed for 7 hours for 1 day a week. One of our units failed and has been sent back to the manufacturers. It has been replaced from TVBC stock.

The sub-committee is arranging a face-to-face meeting with TVBC to iron out the problems and voice our concerns. .

7. **Co-Operative Warehouse.** I have nothing more to report on the planning application for the Co-Op warehouse on the Andover Airfield.

If you have any constructive ideas to make the village safer and to reduce the speed of traffic through it, please telephone Rupert Conder on 01264 736346

## 8 *Provision of Facilities for older Youths*

- 8.1. There has been no further contact concerning the provision of facilities for the youths in the village. I would welcome the opening of discussions with any youths in the village who may wish to see the facilities improved. Has anyone any ideas?

