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# PARISH COUNCIL OF ABBOTTS ANN MINUTES

## OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2012 IN THE JUBILEE ROOM

Present: Cllr. G.Whyte, Vice-Chairman Cllr. D.Paffett

Cllr. R.Bone Cllr. S.Oram
Cllr B.Sims Cllr P. Wilkins

In Attendance:

Mr. A.Stokes, Clerk; Cllr. G.Stallard, TVBC from 7 p.m.

The meeting opened at 6.30 p.m. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman presided.

**12/01. Apologies.** Apologies were recorded from The Chairman; Cllr. A. Gibson, HCC; Cllr. M. Flood, TVBC; Mr. P. Kelly, Footpaths Officer; Mr. T. Tayler, Archivist; Mrs. W. Davis, AAGA.

**12/02. Minutes.** The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011 were confirmed and signed. *Pro PW Sec DP* 

#### 12/03. Matters Arising.

a. Playground. At the informal meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> December, it was recommended that additional equipment would be provided using local resources and materials with the emphasis on simple timber structures. Professional advice would be taken on safety. Cllr Bone was to investigate available space at the War Memorial Hall.

Action Cllr Bone

- b. Old Salisbury Road. The Chairman was still waiting for a response to his enquiries about the removal of trees and shrubs from the junction with Little Ann Road.
- c. Community Consultation. The Chairman had deferred the calling of a meeting on the basis that, in terms of voluntary activities, priority should be given to the planning of the Jubilee celebrations.

#### 12/04. Planning.

- a. Application 11/02842/TREEN: Village Shop, Fell Cherry. It was noted that Dr. Moon and the Chairman had expressed a strong objection to this application, which had been made on the basis that roots were damaging drainage under the courtyard and that the tree was obstructing the view of the shop sign. The Council considered that the latter point was not valid, because it was doubtful whether the visibility of the sign was affecting the shop's trading; it was also considered preferable to move the sign than to remove the tree. Councillors wished to be convinced by expert opinion that such a small tree would endanger a modern drainage system, before giving consideration to the felling of an attractive and healthy tree.
- b. The Clerk drew attention to the current consultation on TVBC's Core Strategy. At first sight there seemed to be little or no proposed change to the Village Envelope or the Strategic Gap. The Chairman and Clerk were asked to draft a response.

Action Chairman and Clerk

c. Note was taken of decisions of the Planning Service.

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#### 12.05. Clerk's Report.

The Clerk distributed scheduled of meetings for 2012 containing the statutory summons to Councillors to attend.

#### 12/06. Organisations.

a. TVBC Councillor. Cllr G. Stallard drew attention to the consultation on the Test Valley Core Strategy. He advised Councillors to consider the implications of the Community Policies, which could, for instance, open the possibility of some development outside the village envelope.

He reported that the application for siting a refreshment trailer in the A343 layby (see Minute 11/118 d) was to be called to the TVBC Licensing Committee at a future date.

The new Borough Website was in preparation, with a launch-date in March 2012.

- b. Archivist. The Clerk distributed a report from Mr. Tayler on recent activities and future plans.
- c. Sports Field Committee. Cllr Wilkins reported that the Quiz Night held on December 28<sup>th</sup> had been very popular, and had raised over £200 for the Pavilion Fund.
- d. War Memorial Hall. Cllr G. Stallard reported on the Committee's plans to redevelop the kitchen. Several Councillors queried the need for this development; Cllr Stallard explained that the aim was also to improve the storage facilities and to make the hall more user-friendly for hirers.

Urgent attention to the drainage system had become necessary, and the Committee hoped that the Parish Council might help to cover the cost. It was resolved to contribute half the estimated cost of £700.

Pro PW Sec RB

Cllr Stallard reminded the meeting that the customary Burns Night celebrations would take place on 27<sup>th</sup> January, and a most enjoyable evening was promised.

#### 12/07. Finance.

a. It was resolved to authorise the following payments: Pro PW Sec BS

Cheque No	653	Administration	£725.36
"	654	P.O.Ltd. PAYE & NI	£567.33
"	655	Enham (November)	£ 66.00
"	656	W.M.H. C'ee (Caretaker)	£155.48
"	657	T.C.Hook (Oct-Dec)	£236.00
"	658	Enham (December)	£ 88.00
"	659	W.M.H. C'ee (drain repairs)	£350.00

- b. The Clerk's budget summary for April-December 2010 was received and noted.
- c. The Clerk had submitted the Precept Application for the unchanged sum of £21,500.

### 12/08. Correspondence.

a. Hampshire Good Neighbour Award. The Clerk distributed notices of the award scheme, which he had also posted on the Notice Boards.

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- b. Farmers' Market. The Borough Council had decided to allow the markets to continue for a further six months.
- c. Hampshire Play Conference. It was decided that this Council did not need to be represented.

#### 12/09. Other Business.

The Meeting closed at 7.27 p.m.

- a. Community Consultation. The Chairman was planning to call a meeting in the near future, but was concerned that plans for the Jubilee should get under way first.
- b. Jubilee Celebrations. Cllr Oram had called a meeting for 9<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 p.m. in the Pavilion, and a good turn-out of representatives of village organisations was expected.
- c. Grit Bins. Cllr Sims pointed out that the grit bin promised for Bulbery had not been supplied, and it was noted that some existing bins were empty. The Clerk was asked to contact Cllr Gibson, and to remind residents that the contents were for use on public property only.

  \*\*Action Clerk\*\*
- d. Lost Lorries. It was noted that some lorry-drivers were still taking wrong turnings and attempting to use unsuitable lanes. It was decided to ask the Chairman to pursue the matter of provision of suitable signs.

  \*\*Action Chairman\*\*
- **12/10. Next Meeting.** February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30 p.m. in the Jubilee Room.

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