

WILCOT and HUISSH (with OARE) PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wilcot and Huish (with Oare) Parish Council at Oare Village Hall on Wednesday 1st November 2017

Present: Councillors: Mrs D. Nix (Chair), Mr C. Bartlett, Mrs N. Fleet, Mr R. Fleet, Mrs P Smith, Miss D Wilson, Mrs S Spanswick (Clerk) Cllr P Oatway

17/92 To receive apologies for absence

None

17/93 To receive declarations of interest on any agenda items to be discussed

Item 102: Cllr RF, Cllr NF and Cllr PS

17/94 To agree the minutes of the meeting of 09 August 2017

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of 09th August 2017 as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr DW
Seconded by Cllr CB; all in favour.

17/95 Chairman's Announcements

The chair discussed Oare bus shelter roof repair and would like to thank The White Horse Handyman on a fantastic job.

17/96 Public question time

None presented

17/97 Planning Applications

To review and provide feedback on new planning applications from Wiltshire Council (Town and Country Planning Act 1980, schedule 1, para 8)

17/99.1 Application 17/08662/FUL Cocklebury Farm Woodborough Road, Wilcot, SN9 5PD Conversion of two stable buildings into three units of holiday accommodation; use of land for the stationing of shepherd's huts (maximum of 6); associated parking **Resolved:** Objection: reasons below

1) A condition of previous planning application (K/52691/F in 2005) was that the old house be removed when the new house was occupied. The stipulation to remove the old house was to prevent over development and it was clearly not intended that both houses should still be in use more than 10 years after the application was approved. The proposed creation of holiday accommodation close to the old house goes against the principle of the original condition, which should be respected. The Parish Council would have objected to the original application without this condition and no new planning application should be considered until this condition is fulfilled.

2) The application is premature due to the incomplete bat survey and therefore cannot provide a mitigation strategy. Without this strategy it is not possible to determine whether said strategy would be acceptable.

3) The application clearly states "no change of use". There is a change of use from agricultural to holiday accommodation, so the planning application is fundamentally not accurate and should be withdrawn.

4) The applicant states he would like to promote day tourists in addition to the 9 potential accommodation units. The Parish Council is concerned that this will exacerbate the parking issues caused by canal boaters having to park on the road by Swanborough Tump, causing damage to the verges and

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obstruction of a historic site. This would be a particular issue if all 9 new spaces were occupied by holiday accommodation users.

5) This parish already has a significant number of overnight visitors either camping or on boats. The assumption that more are required, simply based on a county average, needs to be reviewed. We assume this has been brought to the attention of the AONB officer.

17/99.2 Application 17/10268/TCA Canal land West of Wilcot, Wilcot; Works on trees in a conservation area. **Resolved:** No objections

17/99.3 Application 17/09987/FUL Cross Hayes House, Wilcot, Pewsey, SN9 5NN, Erection of tennis court. **Resolved:** No objections provided there are not future planning applications for flood lights.

17/98 Project Update

17/98.1 Village Gates- Job completed. The Councillors would like to thank Wiltshire Highways Staff for the installation and CATG for their grant towards this project.

17/98.2 Rudge Lane to Church Footpath-Job completed. The parish Council would like to thank the local resident that made a very generous contribution to the project and the other members of the community that helped.

17/98.3 Dragons teeth- Dragons teeth have been purchased. **Action:** Clerk to contact local parish steward to ask to install them.

17/98.4 History meeting – feedback and proposals for future projects based on material e.g. footpath leaflet, booklet, photo archive – Many thanks to all that attended. Several residents expressed a great interest in continuing with this project. **Action:** to set a date for a second meeting and ask for volunteers to come forward to help drive the project. The Parish Council would also like to thank Richard Giles for his excellent and informative speech, as a thank you for his time the Parish Council would like to donate £50 to the Pewsey Heritage Centre. **Proposed: Cllr DW; Seconded Cllr NF; all in favour.**

17/99 To discuss Cross Hayes' recent spate of accidents

New signage, being installed by Wiltshire Council, at Prospect will hopefully encourage people to use an alternative route. Cllr Paul Oatway suggested that we raise the issue with CATG again and also on the My Wiltshire App.

17/100 To discuss the centenary of the end of the World War commemorative tree planting

Councillors discussed how they would like to help with this project but unfortunately do not have an appropriate site since the proposals are to plant several hundred trees.

17/101 To discuss if we need to repair the bus stop roof at Sunnyhill

Action: Clerk to contact Wiltshire Highways to arrange an inspection to check if the roof requires professional attention or if the Parish Council can arrange repair.

17/102 To discuss grant application from Wilcot Village Hall for partial funding for provision of disabled access/toilet.

Councillors discussed how they would like to offer their financial help to this project.

Resolved; to accept the grant application and offer £1500 to this project. **Proposed:** Cllr CB; Seconded Cllr DW; All in favour.

17/104 To discuss changing of bank accounts from Lloyds to alternative bank

Councillors discussed the pros and cons of Barclays and Unity Trust Bank and decided to

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opt for Barclays due to the bank account being free and a branch local to the Parish. **Proposed Cllr DW; Seconded CB; all in favour. Action:** Clerk to arrange a meeting with Barclays to initiative bank transfer.

17/105 Budget and Monitoring

17/104.1 To receive the budget and monitoring report for August 2017- Copy circulated to councillors by clerk.

17/104.2 To authorise the payment of invoices due- **Resolved:** to issue payment of £120 to Grant Thornton for auditing of the Parish Councils finances. **Proposed;** Cllr DW; Seconded Cllr NF; All in favour.

Resolved: to issue £25 from the Chairman's fund for war memorial wreath for armistice day. **Proposed:** Cllr RF; seconded Cllr DW; all in favour.

17/104.3 Cheque made out to the wrong name authorise new cheque for Oare Bus Shelter roof repairs – **Resolved** to issue a new cheque **Proposed;** Cllr. DW, Seconded CB; All in favour.

17/106 To add an additional Budget setting meeting in January

Meeting set for Thursday 11th of January at 7:30 with the history meeting to follow at 8pm.

17/107 Clerk's Report

Available on the Web Site

17/108 Exchange of information

Pure fibre is currently being installed in the Huish area. You will need to contact BT to have this connected to your home which will be charged to you.

Provisional dates and times of next meetings 2017/18

11 January 2018 Budget Setting Meeting followed by a second <i>History Meeting</i>	Oare Village Hall
7 February 2018	Oare Village Hall
11 April <i>Annual Parish Electors Meeting</i>	TBC
9 May 2018 <i>Annual Meeting of the Parish Council</i>	Oare Village Hall

Meeting Closed at 21.07.

Planning Committee meetings will be held as required.

All meetings will start at 19.30 unless otherwise advertised

Signed _____ Dated _____