

**The Parish Council Meeting of the Elstead Parish Council
was held in the United Reformed Church Hall, Elstead
Monday 21 September 2009, commencing at 7.30pm**

Present: Messrs D Holmes (Chairman) A Jones, M Jeffery ,
R Holroyd, R C Terry, P Murphy, Mrs S Place, Mrs A Thomas,
also attending Cllr D Harmer SCC, Mrs A Tann St James –
Headteacher, PC R Hawkes and 1 member of the public

Apologies for absence: - R Terry B Morgan

P C Rob Hawkes gave an update on current issues in the village. He reported on the work he was doing to reduce anti-social behaviour in Elstead. He has been running evening and daytime surgeries and is keen for more villagers to attend these. They are advertised in Elstead Village News. PC Hawkes emphasised that subjects raised don't necessarily have to be on police matters, because he can often help residents with their queries by pointing them in the right direction. Parents and carers collecting their children from St James C of E Primary School continue to park across the Moors Lane entrance on Thursley Road and he advised that offenders will receive a penalty notice.

Following the Council's objection to the plans by St James to accommodate a children's centre on behalf of Surrey County Council, Headmistress, Ann Tann, attended the Council meeting to explain why she felt the centre was an excellent opportunity to help families in the local community. She stressed that she did not think it would create extra traffic congestion and indeed, would do only good by providing support and advice for parents on various issues including health, diet and behaviour. Mrs Tann told the Council that she has seen the benefits that these centres have provided elsewhere in the country and was keen for a centre to be built in Elstead. However, members did make the point that the item was given a good hearing, but traffic was a big consideration in the objection.

1.0 MINUTES:

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.

2.0 MATTERS ARISING

1450 Emergency Committee Meeting – Plan approved by WBC, now with SCC to agree.

1707 Flooding problems at Hazelwood - Mr Fowler, SCC, agreed that the ditches needed to be dug deeper. The matter would also be raised with WBC/Thames Water through Mr Fowler.

1711 Woolfords Lane cemetery – Remedial works would be undertaken shortly to the ground. It was agreed to carry out spraying of the weeds to the entrance drive. A separate report would follow when the allotment final account had been presented and agreed.

- 1713 The bridleway 69 and 63 - a response had now been received via the recent MOD meeting. Mr Holmes reported that the works would now be undertaken. The bridgeworks would be undertaken by SCC, as it was their responsibility. The woodland areas would also be cleared. Cllr Harmer wished to be kept informed. It was also noted that the river walkways needed attention in relation to Fulbrook land. Mr Holmes would review this with Mr Taylor, but he may not be able to carry out the works.
- 1731 Gateways to village – The Clerk reported members’ concerns that the gateways did not agree with the agreed design. SCC agreed to undertake the works as previously agreed.
- 1758 Erection of a shed in a back garden at Broomfield and its apparent size and whether a planning application was required - due to the revised planning laws this was not considered to be a planning issue, but as the property was held by the Housing Dept of WBC, the matter would be raised by Mr Morgan to ascertain if the tenant had landlord’s approval.
- 1774 Thursley Road recreation ground seating – seats have now been delivered and would be installed next week. Two sponsors have come forward. It was hoped that the other 3 seats could be ordered shortly.
- 1800 Parking was raised relative to vans being parked early in the morning on the village green. It was also suggested that a sign could be erected to stop motorists from parking on the green. This would be reviewed at the next meeting.
- 1809 Cllr Harmer advised that the SCC Local Committee (Waverley) Haslemere & Western Villages Transportation Task Group would meet again in early October, to be attended by Mr Holroyd. It was hoped that they would discuss the need for a zebra crossing on Milford Road. He mentioned that Mr Hilder, SCC’s Highways Engineer, had been present when a large group of children alighted from the after-school Rodborough bus and crossed the road. He was able to see for himself the inherent dangers that the sheer number of students trying to cross the busy Milford Road posed. Further details to be provided after the meeting. The Parish Council would need to review any details provided.
- 1816 The entrance to Burford Lodge Recreation was raised again on cutting back the hedge, as this was considered a safety hazard. Mr Holmes met Mr Fowler and agreed to cut back the hedge as required. Mr Holmes also spoke to the residents who agreed that it should be cut back, but not to affect their privacy.

3.0 ALLOTMENTS

- 1818 The allotments are now operational and Councillors were invited to the official opening. The fencing and gates have now been completed and allotment holders are now able to start preparing their plots. A water supply was agreed

to be provided to the area rented. Extra fencing was required due to the increased number of plots required. It was also agreed to provide bollards and chains on the boundary adjacent to the car park to protect the neighbour's hedge.

4.0 PLANNING MEETING

1819 The minutes of the planning meeting held on the 16 September 2009 were noted.

5.0 WBC WASTE MINIMISATION & RECYCLING

1820 Further to the request from WBC to review the practice of waste recycling, the Parish Council would consider the initiative suggested as the practice was undertaken in Thursley Parish. The matter to be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

6.0 ELSTEAD SHARKS – REQUEST

1821 A request was made to the Parish Council to seek permission to use the floodlights at Burford Recreation Ground. It was agreed they could use the lights for practice on Wednesday evenings, providing they complied with the planning condition as listed. They should liaise with the Football Club generally.

7.0 BT PAYPHONES

1822 Following last year's notification regarding the adoption of a phone box in the village, the phone box in question was that adjacent to the Thursley Road Recreation Ground. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not adopt it.

8.0 SCC PFI STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT

1823 It was noted that SCC were in the final stages of finalising its forthcoming PFI contract. It was raised if the Parish Council had any observations on whether there were any attachments on the lighting columns. This was not an issue for the Parish Council.

9.0 SCAPTC – MANAGEMENT NOMINATION

1824 The Parish Council have been asked if it would nominate a Councillor to stand for the management committee. After a general discussion no member was able to be nominated due to their other commitments.

10.0 WBC – STRATEGIC FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

1825 Strategic flood risk assessment - Capita Symonds are currently carrying out on behalf of Waverley Borough Council a strategic flood risk assessment. It is designed to advise the spatial planning process on flood risk at the local scale. As part of the study, Capita Symonds are required to ascertain information on

flooding from any source (river, surface water, ground water, sewers, etc) across the Waverley Borough area. The Parish Council has been asked to comment in relation to any historic flooding information. The following areas were suggested namely: Shackleford road bridge, Woolfords Lane dip by Moat Cottage and JR Cottage, Milford Road by the Honeypot.

11.0 REPORTS, CONSULTATIONS AND REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS

- 1826 The reports received were noted.
- 1827 An invitation has been received to attend the AGM of the Citizens Advice, Waverley on the 9 October 2009. Mr Jones would attend on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 1828 Surrey Hills - Management plan 2009 – 2014. Handed to Mr Murphy for information.

12.0 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

1229 Accounts for payment:

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	The following accounts for September are presented for payment	
*	C P Newman - Salary September, meeting, copies, mileage,	488.97
*	Elstead United Reformed Church – hire of the hall	46.00
*	Lexis Nexis – Purchase of updated local council administration 8 th edition	59.05
*	Veolia – Bin emptying Burford Lodge	44.85
*	Mr D Holmes – Chairman’s allowance	105.00

13.0 CORRESPONDENCE

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14.0 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS (FOR NOTING)

- 1230 A number of maintenance items have been raised and will be added to the schedule.
- 1231 Mr Murphy asked that the grant funding process could be reviewed in light of the current economic climate; Mr Murphy agreed to prepare a draft policy for review.
- 1232 Concerns were expressed that owners and dogs go onto the recreation grounds. It was agreed to provide additional notices, then should the situation continue action would be taken against dog owners.

15.0 MATTERS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS

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Meeting closed 21.55