

CANDOVERS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date: Tuesday 25th September 2012.

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Candover Valley Club

Present:	Jonathan Moseley	Chairman
	Sue Marriott	Vice-Chairman
	Edwina Curtis-Hayward	
	Di Peisley	
	Adam Willmott	
	Wendy Simson	Clerk
	PC Andy Reid	
	Andrew Bevis	Candover Valley Club

Apologise: None

638 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were signed off as an accurate record of the meeting, except for point 631 where Paul James was recorded as being the owner of a number of properties, when he actually only owns 1 of the homes.

639 Matters Arising

- The CPRE membership has been renewed.
- The payment has been made to the internal auditor for her work on the 2011/12 accounts
- Councillor Curtis Hayward had produced investigated some hire costs for a marquee similar to the size of the one purchased by the Parish Council. It was agreed that the Council would ask for a donation of £100 or more for a hire and a damage deposit would be held of £250. If the marquee was damaged then full repair costs would be made by the person hiring it. The insurance was £4.56 a year and the insurance company have agreed to waive this charge for 2012/13 on the understanding that a new policy would not be required. The Chairman asked that Councillor Curtis Hayward produce an advert for the notice board advertising the hire rates and also produce some instructions about transporting, erecting and dismantling the marquee.

Action : Councillor Curtis Hayward to produce information.

- Councillor Peisley explained that the glass in the telephone box was being broken by passing cars flicking stones up. The measurements for the glass required have been taken and the glass should be sourced in the next month. The Chairman also asked that Councillor Peisley write a piece for the Oxdrove about the Telephone box library as it has now been open a year, detailing that books are regularly borrowed and that the Parish Council plan to erect the nativity scene for Christmas again.

Action : Councillor Peisley to get glass fitted

Action : Clerk to add £25 to budget to cover cost of the glass.

Action : Councillor Peisley to write piece for the Oxdrove.

- The corrected plans for the new garage at Woolstrop have been received and distributed. The Council did return comments about the size of the new building in relation to existing home.
- The gift for Gavin & Alison has not been purchased but the Chairman is due to visit the couple in Scotland later in the year and will purchase a “fun” gift, for example a crook, at this time.

[Action : Chairman to source a suitable gift](#)

[Action : Clerk to introduce herself to new people at Number 1 \(Kate and Piers\)](#)

640 Police Update

PC Reid explained that there had been 6 items since the last meeting including 3 alarm activations 2 in Brown Candover and 1 in Chilton Candover, a report of a group of suspicious people at Bugmore Hill, a report of pheasants being killed by a dog in Brown Candover, and an injury of a cyclist in a road traffic accident.

There had been just 2 crimes, the theft of copper at the church in Brown Candover and a non dwelling burglary in Chilton Candover where a quad bike and trailer were taken.

The Parish Council had received a letter from Chief Inspector Steve Wallace about his plans to reduce the number of police in the area by 4, of which 2 would be rural beat officers. The Chairman asked PC Reid about the logistics of policing the rural area and PC Reid explained that there were 11 officers currently patrolling 78 square miles. PC Reid explained that he currently covered 22 Parish Council areas and attended all meetings.

[Action : the Chairman to contact the Chief Constable, our MP and Local Councillors as well as the Chief Inspector to voice the Parish Councils concerns about the plans and their impact on the rural communities.](#)

641 Candover Valley Club update

Andrew talked through the decisions being made about a new ceiling for the front bar. The option which had been agreed at a cost of about £2,000 has been questioned and new costs are being sort for a plasterboard solution or a higher quality ceiling tile.

The car park is on hold while confirmation is gained from all owners of the properties which use the roadway to contribute to the costs. One of the main issues is that the majority of the damage is caused by the Basingstoke and Deane dustcarts and the residents are looking to get some of the costs covered by them.

A planning application has been put in for new signage at the club. Andrew showed the plans to the Council which include 2 signs on the roadside pointing in both direction and two for the building.

[Action : Clerk to forward plan details when they arrive.](#)

642 Financial statement

There are 4 payments which are now due for grass and hedge cutting in the valley, the Chairman agreed to speak to those responsible to get invoices raised for the next meeting.

[Action : Chairman to chase for invoices.](#)

The 1st Candover Scouts have asked for support with equipment for camping trips. The Council discussed the list and agreed to give £300 towards tents and cooking items.

Action : Clerk to raise cheque and pass over to Scout Leader.

The £300 for the Children's Christmas party was signed off by the Council and the cheque will be raised for the next meeting unless required quicker.

The external auditors have asked for a bank reconciliation in August but as yet have not confirmed that the accounts have been completed. The Clerk has emailed to ask for an update but as yet has had no response.

Action : Clerk to update the Council at the next meeting.

643 Planning Applications

The planning application for 30 Farleigh Road, Brown Candover for a side extension was passed by the council with no objections.

The application for Moth Farm to convert an agricultural building to storage was objected to by the Council on the same grounds as previous applications.

644 General Correspondence

Hampshire County Council is to produce a newspaper to be given away at local supermarkets etc to inform people of things like planning and events. The Council felt this was a huge waste of funds given that public spending had to be reduced in other areas such as policing.

The Clerk had applied for the new electoral role as a soft copy.

Hampshire County Council is holding flood meetings at the beginning of October. The Clerk has posted the posters in the notice board.

Hampshire County Council is giving small grants to promote public rights of way. The grants are for £2,000 each and will support the production of map boards and promotional materials to advertise local walks. The Chairman explained that this could be a project for the Scouts and agreed to talk to the Scout Leader about it.

Action : Chairman to talk to Hampshire County Council about project and the Scout Leader about getting involved.

645 Any Other Business

- The Chairman had been informed of a plan to reintroduce lentsmen back into the valley. A meeting is being held on 4th October to discuss the plans.
Action : Chairman to ensure Candovers Parish Council is represented at the meeting.
- Councillor Curtis Hayward asked about how the changes to planning regulations would affect the Council. Andrew Bevin, as an architect, was able to explain that while the changes looked initially that people would not need to get planning permission that the cases where this would happen would be very small. The owners of property would also still be required to produce plans etc and so the system would change very little.
- The Chairman informed the Council that David Wilson has joined the Preston Candover and Nutley Parish Council and was an expert in IT. He was looking at broadband, internet access for the valley and also the website for the Parishes.
- The Chairman also informed the Council that the Clerk had been approached by Preston Candover Parish Council to become Clerk there too. The Clerk had agreed but wanted to reassure the Candovers Parish Council that if both roles became too much that it would be the Preston Candover role that she would drop.

646 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 12th December 2012 at 7:30pm at the Candover Valley Club