

EXTRAORDINARY MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 10.00 A.M. IN HELP CENTRE, BRANNONS WAY, WOOTTON BRIDGE.

Present: Councillor Ken Morris (Chairman)  
Councillors Barrie Hailstone, Peter Mundell, Edward Giles  
Steve Porter, Linda Pitcher, Corinne Carey

Also present: Liz Kingston Parish Clerk/RFO  
2 members of public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

**14/270.** Apologies received from Councillor Daryll Pitcher

2. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION OF A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

**14/271.** No requests for dispensation of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest had been received.

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS.

**14/272.** No declarations of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests.

4. BRANNONS TEA ROOM

**14/273.** Councillor Carey explained that she felt the general feeling was that the Parish Council did not want to take on the tea room. However Councillor Porter and Councillor Carey feel that Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association would be happy to take over the tea room on a trial basis for 6 months. This would limit the risk to the Parish Council. She explained that The Old School is now covering its costs and covers the cost of the youth club. She stated that the lease agreement the Parish Council has with the owner of 4 Joannes Walk stated that the tea room is meant to be run as a community tea room, and by Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association taking it over would make it more in the spirit of the lease. It would be run as 'not for profit' with any monies made going back into the community. Councillor Porter stated from his experience nobody could make a profit out of it but it should cover its costs. He stated that it is an essential part of the village and that a lot of people to rely on it.

Councillor Hailstone explained he was against the Parish Council taking the tea room on but commended Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association for being willing to take it on. He asked about the costs of the fixtures and fittings and whether Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association could afford this. Councillor Morris made a suggestion that the Parish Council could cover the costs to take it all over and that anytime the Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association made some money they could repay it.

Councillor Giles asked about the rental income as presently the Parish Council does receive a quarterly rental income. Councillor Porter hasn't gone in to great details yet but feels that Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association should pay for the utilities and that the rent is up for negotiation. Councillor Porter said it would be great if the Parish Council would agree to lease it to Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association rent free for 6 months.

Councillor Hailstone stated that Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association should put their plans in writing to the Parish Council for legal purposes.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH ARE HAPPY FOR WOOTTON BRIDGE SPORTS & FITNESS ASSOCIATION TO TAKE OVER THE TEA ROOM AND THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL PAY FOR THE FIXTURES AND FITTINGS WITH WOOTTON BRIDGE SPORTS & FITNESS ASSOCIATION PAYING THIS BACK OVER TIME.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To comment on the following application:

**14/274.** P/01080/14 TCP/09682/F

Fernhill House, Wootton Bridge

Change of use of land to camp site to include provision of two demountable timber bases and shower/w.c facilities within existing outbuilding.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/01080/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

**14/275.** P/01075/14 TCP/24309/G

Buttercup Farm, Palmers Road, Wootton Bridge

Proposed detached building to provide unit of holiday accommodation (revised scheme)

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/01075/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES. THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST A CONDITION BE MADE ON THE APPLICATION THAT IT CAN ONLY BE USED FOR HOLIDAY ACCOMODATION AND THAT THE MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY WILL BE 48 WEEKS PER YEAR OR LESS.

**Urgent planning matters: Any other planning applications received after the agenda was published.**

**14/276.** P/00756/14 TCP/02342/J

50 Palmers Road, Wootton Bridge

Demolition of dwelling; proposed detached dwelling and a pair of semi-detached dwellings; alterations to vehicular access; parking

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00756/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

6. ANY URGENT MATTERS

**14/277.** Councillor Hailstone stated he was very concerned with the speed along New Road. The speed is becoming ridiculous. He believes that we, as the Parish Council, should make representation to the local constabulary to have speed checks put in place. Councillor Hailstone stated that the worse culprit was the BIFFA lorries. Councillor Porter felt the Parish would be better putting its weight behind the 20mph speed limit as it is very confusing having 30mph to 10mph back to 30mph. Councillor Hailstone was also concerned with that speed down the High Street; however Councillor Morris and Mundel stated that it is regularly policed by a police officer on a bike. The police are currently looking for community members who would like to join the community speed watch.

**RESOLVED** – THAT THE CLERK WRITES TO HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY ABOUT HAVING SPEED CHECKS IN PARK ROAD, AS THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL COMPLAINTS SINCE IT HAS BEEN RESURFACED, AND NEW ROAD.

Signed.....dated.....