

Tidmarsh with Sulham Parish Council

Minutes of the annual meeting of Tidmarsh with Sulham Parish Council on Wednesday 18th November 2009 in the village hall

Present:

Councillor Mike Broun (chairman), Councillor Colin Pawson (vice-chairman), Councillor Steve Webb, Councillor Hutchison, Councillor Miriam Kennett

In attendance:

Parish Clerk

50. Apologies for absence:

Councillor Jon Chishick, District Councillor Tim Metcalfe

51. Declarations of interest

None

52. Minutes from last meeting

Minutes of 16th September agreed as a correct record and signed.

53. Matters arising from the minutes

The parish clerk confirmed that, after the bandstand is purchased, approximately £9000 remains of the S106 fund.

54. S106 projects

Playground:

Cllr Broun reported that the playground is complete and user feedback has been extremely positive.

Cllr Broun will meet with Millennium Green Trustees to get some parking in place ready for Spring 2010.

The parish council received a complaint from a parishioner about the noise from children using the play area.

All agreed to draw up a rota for weekly playground inspections. Action: Parish clerk to produce and send.

Bandstand:

All agreed that the bandstand should be of open plan design to avoid misuse. Cllr Pawson showed some pictures and designs of bandstands from two companies. Resolved that Cllr Pawson will request quotes for the bandstand from both companies.

Cllr Pawson also agreed to obtain quotes for the bus shelter.

55. Parish plan matters

Cllr Webb attended a Village Design Statement workshop on 14th September. All agreed it was important to establish how much the village would benefit from a Village Design Statement, before any money is spent on producing one. Cllr Kennet showed interest in getting involved and put her name forward to help on the project.

56. Report on Kennet & Thames Vision meeting (to replace District Councillor report)

Cllr Kennett summarised the minutes from the meeting. Most projects have been abandoned due to limited funding. The cycle route project is ongoing but suffers from a lack of funding.

The Tidmarsh circular walk maps were praised at the meeting.

The next meeting is on 22nd March 2010. Cllr Kennett to attend and report back.

57. Planning applications

Presented by Cllr Pawson:

| Reference | Location | Description | Parish council decision |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|
| 09/02007/HOUSE | Willow Tree Cottage, Tidmarsh | Extension to kitchen and enlargement of chimney breast, repairs to existing chimney stack | No information received. Cllr Pawson to contact West Berks Council for copies of plans. |
| 09/02226/FUL | Bere Court Farm, Bere | Section 73 - Application for removal of condition 7 | Doesn't affect Tidmarsh or |

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| | Court, Pangbourne | of planning permission reference 101582 | Sulham. No objections. |
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Decisions:

09/01558/LBC - Sunny Brook Tidmarsh – approved

09/01593/HOUSE - Forge Cottage Tidmarsh – approved

58. Highways, Footpaths and Traffic Matters

A document about psychological traffic calming measures was discussed. All agreed that measures such as markings and painting on the road may be an effective way to reduce speeding traffic.

Cllr Pawson stated that residents want a shared cycle/footpath. This will require further planning. Action: clerk to contact West Berkshire Council to investigate.

59. Finance

Payments made:

| Payee | Description | Amount |
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| J Wheeler | Salary | £484.00 |
| Allianz | Additional insurance premium for playground | £110.49 |
| Mazars | Annual audit fee | £483.00 |

Payments received:

None

60. Pangbourne and District Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG)

Cllr Hutchison was unable to attend the last meeting. He will attend the next and report back.

61. Local Environmental Matters

Cllr Webb noted that the Environment Agency have been clearing weeds along Sulham brook.

Cllr Kennett suggested a film night in the village hall to show 'the Age of Stupid'. All think it is a good idea and Cllr Kennett agreed to organise.

62. AWE update

None

63. Matters for further discussion

None

64. Conclusion

Chairman closed the meeting at 9.55pm. The next meeting is on Wednesday 20th January 2010.

Date

Chairman