

## **Turville Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the meeting of Turville Parish Council on Wednesday 9th March 2011 at the Turville Village Hall, Northend at 7.30 pm**

Present: David Cairns- Chairman  
Danny Fois  
Steven Blake  
Margaret Drage  
Ray Jones

In attendance: Deirdre Hansen- Clerk.

11 members of the public were present; Pam Jones, Robin Harman, Chris Hall, Kate Ashbrook, Angela Fois, Garrick Steventon, James Vaughan, James McConville, Caroline Steventon, WPC Claire Marchant and WD Councillor Bill Bendyshe Brown.

The Chairman welcomed the members of the public present in particular WD Cllr Bill Bendyshe Brown and WPC Claire Marchant.

160. No apologies were received.

161 Cllr Jones declared a personal and prejudicial interest in planning application 11/05278/FUL, he is a neighbour. Cllr Blake declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 10/05282/CONAA, he had responded in his capacity as Chairman of the Northend Residents Association.

*The Chairman closed the meeting to allow for public questions and answers.*

- *James McConville clarified what he had said at the January meeting. It had not been his intention to convey that there was no requirement for the Turville Times in the community.*
- *James Vaughan asked what was being done about the large pothole on Balham's Lane. The clerk reported that it was being chased up with BCC Highways department, but they were slow in responding. The clerk would continue to chase. It had been pointed out to them that the hole was now potentially very dangerous. WD Cllr Bendyshe Brown advised the clerk to involve Si Khan.*
- *James McConville had attended the EOM 16/02/11 and complimented the Parish Council on the way it had handled the meeting and the subject matter.*

*The meeting was re-opened.*

162. The minutes of the meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> January 2011 and the EOM of 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

163. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda.

- Long term plans for the Hambleden branch surgery: correspondence received from the Marlow Medical Group that they are committed to the Hambleden Branch surgery and have no plans to reduce the service.

164. The Chairman invited WD Cllr Bendyshe Brown to address the meeting. WDC Cllr Bendyshe-Brown thanked the Chairman for the invitation to attend the meeting. He gave an overview of Wycombe District Council's main responsibilities, issues and concerns. The forthcoming cutbacks in public funding are of great concern. He commented that both BCC and WDC do a lot of work assisting and representing the business community and Parish Councils. WDC, South Bucks and Chilterns District Councils are looking at appointing 1 CEO instead of the current 3. The PC members had the opportunity to ask him questions. The Chairman thanked him for

attending and providing the Parish Council with valuable information. The meeting was closed to allow for public questions and answers.

#### 165. Reports:

##### a. Police:

WPC Claire Marchant reported

- That the police are streamlining, but frontline staff is protected. She and PcsO Sarah Turner will be staying in post.
- The NAG's priorities are speeding and burglary. There were 6 reported crimes in the Wycombe south west rural area to date and 23 reported crimes in that area in 2010.
- A farmers meeting had been held in Hambleden.
- The public is urged to report any crime at once, so police can take appropriate action. Dog napping had occurred in Hambleden, but police had not been informed.
- At the WDC rural forum meeting 24/03/11 she will push for the protection of property and possessions.
- The "Have your Say" meeting in the communities are not well attended.
- She urged people to look at the TVP web-site.
- The police rely on Neighbourhood Watch and Ringmaster to be kept informed. The Police need local people to be involved in crime prevention.

Cllrs Fois and Blake commended her on the excellent job the police do in our community.

- Neighbourhood Watch: James McConville reported that Northend Neighbourhood Watch was the first one in the parish. It had worked very well to start with. There were 3 local co-ordinators who visited vulnerable residents. In 2007, the Parish Council had launched, NHW as a parish wide initiative. Due to the parish's geography, NHW needed a local input according to James McConville. He suggested running the NHW under the umbrella of the village associations. He felt that NHW needed to be re-activated and re-launched. More co-ordinators were needed. James McConville explained that he was no longer directly involved, but sends out the Ringmaster e-mails. The Chairman suggested that the new PC look at this. Clerk to put on the next agenda.

##### b. Northend- residents association:

- AGM to be held in June.
- They had put an objection to planning application 11/05282/CONAA to South Oxfordshire District Council.
- The Chairman asked what was happening with the Northend phone box. There had been no active involvement in recent times.

##### c. Turville- village association:

- No filming.
- The AGM will be arranged in the next few weeks.

##### d. Chairman's report:

- There had been a meeting of the "Lime Avenue" group that afternoon with Knight Frank representatives. They are all going to look at the long-term future of the avenue.
- He had had an informal meeting with Garsington Opera representatives to discuss volunteering. He had been asked informally about the PC's views on their traffic management plan. The document reflected the PC's concerns. All traffic will be directed to the Stokenchurch entrance, there will be a 2-way traffic system on the estate. Traffic will be encouraged to

turn left on leaving the estate. There are still some post-code issues to be resolved. He pointed to the inconsistencies in the WDC planning permission granted. It requires the traffic management plan should only encourage the use of Ibstone Road gate, but elsewhere the planning permission prohibited the use of other gates in particular the use of the Holloway Lane gate.

- He urged everyone to complete and return their census forms.

e. Village Hall- Chairman. The secretary is trying to set up an April Committee meeting.

f. Any meetings attended;

- LAF: attended by Chairman and Cllr Jones.
- NAG: attended by Cllr Jones and Clerk.
- Farmers meeting attended by Cllr Jones.

g. Community responders:

- James McConville reported that the system works, sufficient funds were raised for 6 community responders. The area covered by the responders is larger than the parish. He emphasised the importance of the service to Turville, which lies in the centre of 3 remote hospitals. He was asked to how many incidents the responders had been called to in the last year. He will enquire. He was thanked by the public and the Parish Council for all his hard work in getting this project off the ground.

166. The future of the Turville Times and its funding was discussed. It agreed to continue with the publication of the Turville Times in hard copy form. It also decided to explore sponsorship and contributions. Advertising was not felt to be appropriate. Urgent help with the editorial is needed.

167. The future of the Parish Council's red phone box in Turville was discussed. It was noted that the box is a grade II listed building. It was decided to put a piece in the Turville Times asking the public for ideas. The clerk to explore opportunities with WDC. It was also agreed to ask the Turville village association to take responsibility for the maintenance of the Turville box. Clerk to give Cllr Fois the details for the appropriate paint to be used for the phone box.

165. The Parish Council considered a community snow clearance and gritting plan. It was agreed to move forward with the plan. Robin Harman offered to quote for the job. Someone would be required who would take responsibility for organising the plan and the funding. It was decided to order grit early. Action clerk. Robin Harman and Cllr Blake will calculate the amount of grit required and inform the clerk.

166. A resolution was passed to adopt the Freedom of information Act model publication scheme. It was decided to charge 50p for each sheet of A4 black and white copy and £1 for A4 colour copy. A labour charge of £60 would be charged for the clerk's time. Clerk to publish the scheme in the appropriate places.

167. Finance:

- a. Bank balances: Lloyds Bank cleared balance 01/02/11                      £ 1555.07  
Nationwide Building society: £ 1791.17
- b. A preliminary statement of accounts for the year 2010/11 was presented.
- c. It was agreed to pay for the Clerk & Cllr Jones to attend BALC Commons Course 29/03/11 @ a cost of £30 for Cllr Jones and £15 for the clerk.
- d. The following payments were approved and signed;

Between meetings the following cheque was	for Turville Times printing Feb. 2011. (S137		£ 110.00
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signed: Ruscombe Printing	expenditure)		
D Hansen	Clerk salary for Feb/Mar Clerk's expenses Feb/Mrc 2 <sup>nd</sup> half Working from Home allowance.	£ 441.64 £ 72.41 £ 250.00	£ 764.05
BALC BALC	Commons course Cllr Jones Commons course clerk 50% of cost		£ 45.00
Ruscombe Printing	Turville Times printing March 2011. (S137 expenditure)		£ 110.00
Total			£ 809.05

#### 168.Planning:

- 10/07481/CONAA Boundary Cottage, Northend Construction of wall to front boundary of garden/dwelling. Application withdrawn.
- TPO 14/2010 on Tree on land within curtilage of 5 Southend Common. Notification received that the Tree preservation order has not been confirmed.

#### WDC decisions:

- 10/07609/FUL Swains Wood, Northend. Householder application for construction of infill extension to provide entrance hall and shower room and widening of existing access. PC no objection. WDC permitted
- 10/07565/FUL The White House, Turville Heath householder application for construction of front porch, insertion of 2 windows into east and west elevations and 1<sup>st</sup> floor level glazing, replacement chimney and rendering of property (retrospective). PC no objection, pleased that the house is finally being refurbished, but commented that the hard standing was felt to be out of context in the conservation area. WDC permitted
- 10/07658/FUL 3 School Lane, Turville. Householder application of 2 x front and 1 x rear roof lights and internal spiral staircase in connection with loft conversion. PC objection roof lights are out of character with the streetscape and roofscape of school lane and the historic built environment of the Turville conservation area and the Chilterns building design guide. WDC permitted.

#### New applications:

- 11/05240/CTREE Flint Cottage Southend Common. 35% crown reduction to willow, 25% crown reduction to 2x cherry trees. PC no objection.
- 11/05278/FUL 4 School Lane, Turville. Householder application for single storey kitchen extension. PC no objection.
- 11/05282/CONAA Boundary Cottage, Northend Construction of wall to front boundary of the dwelling ( application from neighbouring county). PC objects to this application. It is not in keeping with the conservation area and the AONB. The wall, entrance and gates are not consistent with the conservation area.

#### 169.Any other business :

- The clerk notified the PC that as of 06/04/11 the PC had to register for PAYE with the Inland Revenue.
- It had come to members' attention that BCC Rights of Way are planning to refurbish the footpath up Windmill Hill in the parish of Ibstone. The Parish Council is opposed to the plans. Clerk to inform BCC.
- The electricity supply to the Christmas tree on the village green in Turville village may need replacement. Clerk to put on the next agenda.

170. Date of the **next meeting Wednesday 18/05/11** at Turville School, Turville commencing at 7.30pm. The evening will start with the Annual Parish meeting, followed by the Annual Parish Council meeting followed by the 1<sup>st</sup> ordinary meeting of the Parish Council after the election (5<sup>th</sup> may 2011)

The Chairman.....

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