

**ST. NICHOLAS HURST PARISH COUNCIL**  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE SMALL VILLAGE HALL, SCHOOL ROAD, HURST,  
ON MONDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2006, AT 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors J. Martin (Chairman),  
Holdstock, Larkin, P. Martin, Shults, Smith and Stephenson.

District Councillor Mrs. Annette Drake

OFFICER: R. Wardle

APOLOGIES. Apologies for absence were received from  
Councillors Bowman, Cox and Roberts

**6982 Minutes – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2006**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2006, were approved as a correct record.

**6983 Matters Arising**

6957 – 6942 – 6922 – 6907 - 6874 – 6861 – 6845 – 6828 – 6704 – 6686 – 6666 – 6657 – 6601 – 6583 – 6580 - Councillor Stephenson was waiting for a WDC Officer to return from leave to discuss a site to display the Parish Map.

6957 – 6942 – 6923 – The Clerk confirmed that WDC had arranged for the signs at the Jolly Farmer in Davis Street to be moved.

6957 – 6952 – The Clerk was requested to press WDC to replace the Hinton Road Nameplate at the Bracknell end.

6958 – The Clerk reported that the Mobile Hot Cupboard had, that day, been delivered to the Village Halls.

WDC had confirmed that there were no missing manhole covers in Davis Street.

Councillor Stephenson confirmed that the Notices in the Davis Street Notice Board were up-to-date.

6960 – Members’ concerns about development at Walnut Tree Cottage, Broadwater Lane, had been raised with the Development Control Manager at the Special Meeting of Council on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2006.

The Clerk reported on the reply he had received to his question regarding the lack of consultation on an Application for Certificate of Lawful Use.

6963 – Councillor P. Martin reported that the dog bins were to be delivered within the week.

6964 - Councillor Shults had confirmed that the next meeting of NAG was to be held at the Hurst Village Halls on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2005.

**6984 Minutes – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2006**

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2006, were approved as a correct record. The Chairman and Members commented thereon.

The Clerk referred to the regular meetings held between WDC Chief Executive and Parish Clerks and reported that an Away Day was to be held on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2006.

**6984 Public Forum**

One member of the public attended and criticised what he saw as the ineffectiveness of WDC Planning Control. He referred in particular to development at Pyke’s Farm, Forest Road, and sought information from Members on any other examples of development not in accordance with permission. He was proposing to prepare a case for submission to the Ombudsman.

Reference was made to WDC’s need for credit in 2005-2006 for one of the Vehicle Activated Signs erected in Wokingham Road.

**6985 Police Matters**

The report of PCSO Daniels had been previously circulated.

**6986 Planning Applications**

Members discussed the list of applications attached to these Minutes.

**6987 Provision for Young People in the Parish**

The Chairman reported that the visit on Village Clean Up Day had been successful. Several bicycles had been security marked. After Easter, the Mobile was to visit every Tuesday.

She had attended the North Parishes Youth Meeting when a number of interesting reports had been submitted.

**6988 Community Orchard**

The matter had been raised at the Special Meeting on 3rd April, and it was hoped that some progress would be made on making the land available to the public.

**6989 Street Clutter**

The matter had been raised at the Special Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, and Members were invited to advise the Chairman of any signs they considered unnecessary. The Clerk reported that WDC had confirmed that the signs at the entrance to Hogmoor Lane met statutory requirements.

**6990 Keep Mobile**

The Clerk reported that the AGM was to be held on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2006.

RESOLVED: That consideration of the Annual Grant be deferred to the next Meeting.

**6991 Readibus**

The Clerk reported that the AGM was to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2006.

RESOLVED: That consideration of the Annual Grant be deferred to the next Meeting.

- 6992 **Protecting Wokingham's Oldest Residents**  
The Clerk submitted a letter from Wokingham Countryside Service reporting on the proposal to create a database to enable trees in Wokingham District to be monitored and protected. The British Trust for Conservation Volunteers was acting as project co-ordinator and the Parish Council were invited to make a contribution of £590 towards the running of the project.
- RESOLVED: That the Council do not make a contribution.
- 6993 **Campaign to Protect Rural England**  
RESOLVED: That the Council renew the subscription of £26.00 for the current year.
- 6994 **Sane Planning in the South East**  
The Clerk reported that the AGM was to be held on 21 April, 2006.
- RESOLVED: That the Council renew the subscription of £30.00 for the current year.
- 6995 **Access to Resources and Counselling**  
The Clerk reported that the AGM was to be held on 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2006.
- 6996 **Society of Local Council Clerks – Regional Conference**  
RESOLVED: That the Clerk be authorised to attend the Regional Conference on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2006.
- 6997 **Twyford, Wargrave and District Volunteer Centre**  
The Clerk reported that the AGM was to be held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2006.
- 6998 **Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment**  
The Clerk submitted a letter from DEFRA on the Parish Council Guide to Environment and Enforcement provisions which could be downloaded at [www.defra.gov.uk/environment/localenv/legislation/cnea](http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/localenv/legislation/cnea).
- 6999 **Social Enterprise**  
The Clerk submitted a letter introducing the new service available in Berkshire offering business support, training and advice to people wishing to establish a community or Social Enterprise. The Web Site was [www.seberkshire.org](http://www.seberkshire.org).

7000 **The South East Plan**

The Clerk reported receipt for circulation among Members of a copy of the Plan submitted to the Deputy Prime Minister. Comments were invited by 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2006.

7001 **Rights of Way Improvement Plan**

The Clerk reported that WDC Countryside Service were convening a meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2006.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Bowman and Stephenson be appointed to attend.

7002 **VAS in Hurst**

The Clerk submitted a letter from WDC regarding the Vehicle Activated Signs erected in the Parish.

7003 **Finance**

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Balance brought forward	5176.30
(Less cheques 767 and 769)	<u>213.85</u>
	<u>4962.45</u>
1. British Telecommunications plc (Clerk's telephone)	131.56
2. SDK Environmental Ltd. (Emptying dog bin Jan to March)	14.93
3. Allianz Cornhill Insurance PLC (Annual Insurance)	705.25
4. Berkshire Association of Local Councils	258.98
5. Peter Stott Ltd. (Hot Cupboard for Village Halls)	762.56
6. Inland Revenue (Clerk April)	84.56

7.	R. Wardle – Salary April	299.81	
	Office/Internet	47.00	
	Mileage 66 @ 52.7p	<u>34.78</u>	381.59
8.	Council for the Protection of Rural England (Renewal of Subscription)		26.00
9.	S.P.I.S.E. (Renewal of Subscription)		30.00
10.	S.L.C.C. (Regional Conference 2006)		<u>40.00</u>
			<u>2435.43</u>

Balance in Savings Account    £18,103.19

Income since last meeting    £834.17 (Contribution towards Lap Top Computer)  
                                                  £55.98 (Contribution towards Telephone)

The meeting ended at 9.35 p.m.

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