

ST. NICHOLAS HURST PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE SMALL VILLAGE HALL, SCHOOL ROAD, HURST,
ON MONDAY, 13th NOVEMBER, 2006, AT 7.30 p.m.

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

District Councillor Mrs. Annette Drake.

OFFICER: R. Wardle.

APOLOGIES. An apology for absence was received from
Councillor Cox

7097 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th October, 2006, were approved
as a correct record.

7098 **Matters Arising**

7084 – 7047 – 7034 – Councillor Larkin had had discussions with
Officers of Parkman and WDC and was awaiting information on
recommended proposals.

7090 – Wokingham and District CAB had expressed thanks for the
Council's Grant.

7096 – Councillor Stephenson reported on his discussion with an Officer
of the Council regarding the work to be carried out on the vegetation on
the boundary between Dinton Pastures and Davis Street.

7096 – Councillor P. Martin reported that the new litter bin for School Road Playing Field was due in the next week or two.

7096 – The Chairman had received lights for the Christmas tree

7099 PublicForum

No members of the public attended

7100 Vacancy on Council

The Clerk reported that there had been no request for an Election so the Council could co-opt.

7101 Police Matters

The Report of PCSO Jacqueline had been previously circulated.

7102 Planning Applications

Members discussed the list of applications attached to these Minutes.

Councillor Stephenson reported on his attendance at the meeting of WDC Development Committee to consider the WDC application for the erection of a 7m high safety netting around Dinton Pastures Golf Course.

The Clerk outlined the report of the Inspector following the Public Inquiry into the refusal of Application F/2005/6150 regarding proposed development at Pykes Farm, Forest Road. The Appeal had been dismissed.

7103 Provision for Young People in the Parish

It was noted that the light in the Community Shelter in School Road Playing Field was not functioning properly and it was suggested that this might be because the clock had not been changed following the putting back of the clock to Greenwich Mean Time.

Councillor J. Martin reported on her attendance at the last meeting of the Youth Committee. It had been reported that a Skate Park was to be provided in Twyford.

7104 **Community Orchard**

No information had been received. Councillor Drake had attempted to contact WDC Chief Executive for information, but without success.

7105 **Street Clutter**

The Clerk had previously circulated an Email from WDC.

7106 **St. Nicholas Churchyard**

The Clerk reported that the Department for Constitutional Affairs had received an application for closure of the Churchyard. Winnersh Parish Council had indicated their unwillingness to take over the closed churchyard and intended to transfer the responsibility for maintenance to WDC.

RESOLVED: That this Council confirms its unwillingness to take over the closed churchyard and its intention to transfer the responsibility for maintenance to WDC.

7107 **RBWM Planning for the Borough's Future**

The Clerk reported receipt of the consultation document issued by the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead.

7108 **Bracknell Forest Local Development Framework**

The Clerk reported receipt of the consultation document issued by Bracknell Forest Borough Council on the Core Strategy Development Plan.

7109 **Community Council for Berkshire**

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Rural Housing Enabler for Berkshire offering to conduct a housing need survey in the Parish.

RESOLVED: That the invitation be noted.

7110 **Wokingham and District Voluntary Sector Forum**

The Clerk reported that a Conference was to be held on 24 November on the topic "Love your Neighbourhood."

7111 Village Post Offices

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Countryside Alliance seeking the Council's support for the retention of rural Post Offices.

7112 St. Nicholas Parish Church

RESOLVED: That the Council make a grant of £250 towards the cost of maintaining the Parish Churchyard.

7113 Finance

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Balance brought forward	2337.18	
1. Thames Water Utilities Ltd. (Allotments 10/7 – 10/10)		55.31
2. Blachere Illuminations Ltd. (Christmas Tree Lights)		408.44
3. SLCC (Practitioners Guide)		16.99
4. Wokingham District Council (Youth Worker for 12 months)		1670.42
5. UHY Hacker Young (Audit 2005-2006)		293.75
6. Bracknell Pest Control Ltd. (Monitoring Townsend's Pond)		41.12
7. Inland Revenue (Clerk November)		84.56
8. R. Wardle – Salary November	299.81	
Office/Internet	94.00	
Mileage 95 @ 52.7p	<u>50.07</u>	443.88
9. St. Nicholas Church, Hurst (Contribution towards maintenance of churchyard)		<u>250.00</u>
		<u>3264.47</u>

Estimated Balance in Savings Account £29640.10

Income since last meeting £39.45

(Contribution from Bisham Parish Council)

(Contribution from Clerk for telephone)

7114 Information Reports

The Chairman reported on proposed arrangements for the erection of the Christmas Tree and the service to be held on 6th November, St.Nicholas Day. Members indicated their support.

Members also supported the proposals outlined by the Chairman for the buffet meal with partners to follow the December Meeting.

There was a discussion regarding the possibility of providing a litter bin near the seat by Townsend's Pond.

Councillor Larkin reported that there was a meeting that evening to discuss the Veteran Tree Project.

The meeting ended at 8.50 p.m.

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