

ST. NICHOLAS HURST PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE SMALL VILLAGE HALL, SCHOOL ROAD, HURST,
ON MONDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER, 2007, AT 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors J. Martin (in the Chair), Bowman, Curry
Holdstock, Larkin, P. Martin and Shults and Stephenson

District Councillor Mrs. Annette Drake

OFFICER: R. Wardle

One member of the Press

APOLOGIES. Apologies for absence were received from
Councillors Cox and Smith

7232 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th July, 2006, were approved as a correct record.

7233 **Matters Arising**

7219 – In regard to a property in Davis Way, the Clerk had previously circulated a letter from the Acting Chief Executive of WBC and Councillor Stephenson reported on his discussion with a Legal Officer of WBC.

7221 – Councillor Larkin requested that his objection to the decision in respect of Planning Application F/2007/1540 be recorded.

7228 Councillor P. Martin reported that the replacement front for the Council Notice Board was due during the week.

7232 – RESOLVED: That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be authorised to appoint a new Clerk to the Council and to agree the final date of employment of the current Clerk.

7234 Police Matters

PCSO Daniels was unable to attend the Meeting but copies of her report had been previously circulated.

7235 Planning Applications

Members discussed the list of applications attached to these Minutes.

7236 Provision for Young People in the Parish

The Chairman reported that the Youth Worker had been on holiday. She understood that there was a financial problem in respect of the provision of a skate board park in Twyford.

7237 Scoping Report for Highway Design Guide

The Clerk reported that the consultation period for the two scoping reports expired on 5 September.

7238 Review of Polling District/Places/Stations

WBC had issued a review document and requested comments by 1 October 2007.

7239 Planning Commitments for Housing at March 2006

The Clerk reported that WBC had published information on the commitment which included an assessment of Housing in the Borough.

7240 Diversion of Footpath 20 St. Nicholas Hurst

The Clerk reported that the Order had now been made.

7241 Regional Spatial Strategy for the South East

The Clerk reported receipt of a CD a copy of which was included in the Correspondence Folder.

7242 NALC Annual Conference

The Clerk reported that the Conference was to be held at Bournemouth on 5-7 October 2007.

7243 **Finance**

The following accounts were approved for payment:

	Balance brought forward			2219.69
1.	The IT Shop (Printer/Scanner)			107.00
2.	Southern Electric (School Road PF)			4.76
3.	SDK Environmental Ltd. (Emptying dog bins June - July)			14.69
4.	RBS Software Solutions (Annual Maintenance)			50.00
5.	Gavin Verdin (Litter picking April-July)			185.00
6.	H. J. Larkin (Reimbursement of work on Allotments)			8.29
7.	Auditing Solutions Ltd. (Internal Audit)			146.88
8.	Inland Revenue (Clerk August-September)			87.49
9.	R. Wardle – Salary August-September		599.62	
	Office	80.00	80.00	
	Travel	19.00	<u>19.00</u>	<u>698.62</u>
	–			<u>1302.72</u>

Income	Reimbursement for Stationery	109.69
	Refund from Wicksteed and rent for land in Dunt Lane	129.68
	Reimbursement for Clerk's Printer Scanner	91.07

Balance in Savings Account £24,957.02

7244 **Information Reports**

The Clerk was requested to notify the Contractors that grass needed cutting.

Councillor Stephenson commented on Dinton Pastures Open Day, a note of which was included in the Correspondence Folder.

Councillor Bowman had noted that West Berkshire District Council had received a European Grant to alleviate flooding in the District and WBC had confirmed that they, too, had applied for Grant.

7245 **Public Forum**

Councillor Keith Baker, WBC Executive Member for Highways and Transport attended and gave a presentation on proposed consultation changes to involve Parish and Town Councils. Members indicated their support.

Councillor Drake commented on the reconsideration by WBC Planning Committee of the Planning Application in respect of Binfield Vineyard. Councillor Shults indicated his intention to attend the Meeting of the Planning Committee.

The meeting ended at 9.15 p.m.

Signed.....

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