

MICHELMERSH & TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 26th April 2006 at 7.30 p.m. in the Jubilee Hall, Timsbury.

Present: Parish Councillors, Mr. P. Pritchett-Brown (Chairman), Mr. D. Cowling, Dr. M. Subramanyam, TVBC Councillor, Mr. D. Bidwell Parish Clerk, Mr. P. Buist and four members of the public including prospective Parish Councillors Fitzgerald and Jones.

Action

1. Apologies

Mr. R. Vie and Mr. N. Cooper.

2. Open Period

John Rhodes said that he was attending on behalf of Braishfield PC and was there to find out the views of M&TPC on the planning application for a gasification plant. Braishfield were sceptical about the claim that this was an R&D project. Braishfield PC was going to object. His own personal view was that it was not just an R&D project and that the claims on zero odour and emissions could not be true. The proposal was in line with policy on reducing landfill but not on reducing CO² emissions. Burning tyres and plastic was not a green application. He saw the application as one to burn waste. And it was not in the correct place.

Robin Goodland said that he was dismayed at the Council's decision to send £150 on a dog-waste bin for the recreation ground.

3. Declarations of Interest

None

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22 March 2006.

The minutes were **agreed** as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising from meeting of 22 March 2006.

All actions had been completed, or were on the agenda.

The Council **noted** the email from Miss. N. Salvidge with reference to Item 8.4 on the Agenda of the meeting held on 22 March. The Council **confirmed** that the item had been on the agenda to allow a discussion on their site visit to take place and that there was no proposal put forward by any Councillor to reverse any decisions previously made.

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6. Parish Council Election Results

It was **noted** that two nominations to fill the two vacancies on the Parish Council had been made and that Rory Fitzgerald and Alan Jones were elected unopposed. They would be able to act as Parish Councillors after 4 May and on signing their declaration of acceptance of office.

7. Timsbury Hut Charity

The Parish Council **approved** Dr. Glasspool's nomination of Mrs. Clarissa Smith as a trustee of the Timsbury Hut Charity.

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8. Planning

8.1 Applications

Single storey link extension, The Library House, Timsbury Manor. There was no objection to the proposal, however the PC was not convinced that the design was in total sympathy to the existing building.

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Outline application for replacement to existing dwelling with 2 dwellings, Newlands, Stockbridge Road. The PC was of the view that there was insufficient space for two houses on the site. They **agreed** to object on the grounds of over-development of the site and that if allowed, the result

would not be in keeping with existing adjacent plots and houses.

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Provision of a research and development gasification unit, Casbrook Park, Bunny Lane. The PC agreed to object to the proposal on the grounds that there was a perception of risk that when wood, plastic, rubber and tyres were to be burned to produce a gas, harmful emissions from this process could be released into the air. Definite proof that no harmful gases would be released and that all residue from the process was inert and safe was required. The Parish Council asked that an explanation of what actually happens to the oil and tars, removed from the process, should also be produced by the applicant to provide assurance that the process being proposed is safe.

The Parish Council noted that this application was for an R&D project, but there appeared to be no mention of any key performance measures to determine the success or failure of the project. It suggested that the applicant should be asked to provide additional detail on this so that the Parish Council could be assured that this was truly an R&D project and that any resulting full production would not be started until full consideration and consultation had taken place.

8.2 Determinations

Works to 5 silver birch trees, Haccups Point. No objection.

Variation to condition No. 2, Old Redland Tileworks. Withdrawn.

Detail design, Old Redland Tileworks. Awaiting S106 agreement.

9. Financial Matters

9.1 Current Financial Situation

The financial report was **noted**. A copy is attached to the minutes.

9.2 Invoices for Payment

The following invoices were approved for payment:

TVBC (Playground inspections and assoc. work)	£573.62
P Buist (Salary & Expns)	£285.78
Allianz Cornhill (Insurance)	£2,607.99
TVBC (Supply & installation of dog waste bin)	£141.00
HAPTC (Books for new Councillors)	£4.00
The Studio (Newsletter printing)	£166.85

Dr. Subramanyam **proposed** that other insurance quotes should be obtained. There was no seconder. Quotes for Parish Council insurance had been obtained within the last two years and Allianz Cornhill established as the lowest cost. Dr. Subramanyam would research the market for possible insurance options for 2007.

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10. Recreation Ground

10.1 Playground Inspection

There was no deterioration found in the equipment. It was **noted** that the worn seat had been replaced.

10.2 Infill Irrigation tank to enable Pre-School use of their shed

The Chairman had met Paul Cass of TVBC Commercial Services on site. The cover to the tank was considered safe and the tank did not need to be filled in. The Chairman also noted signs of rats by the shed and it was **agreed** to ask the TVBC Pest Control Officer to visit.

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11. Highways & Environment

11.1 Verges in Manor Farm Lane

John Chambers had had a response to his letter to Hampshire CC. They would get the developers to do remedial work. The Parish Council **agreed** to wait until all development work in Manor Farm Lane was complete before reviewing the situation.

11.2 Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 - Changes

The content of the letter from Defra was **noted**, in particular the ability for Parish Councils to issue fixed penalty notices to those who offend against a dog control order.

11.3 Gas Gun Bird Scarer

The Chairman had contacted the farmer who agreed that the gun was probably not now needed and would switch it off.

12. Correspondence

12.1 Parish Boundary Review

The letter from TVBC was noted. Parts of the industrial estate at Yokesford Hill had been moved into Romsey Extra. This resulted in all the industrial estate being situated in Romsey Extra.

12.2 TVBC Core Strategy Development Plan

This matter would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting on 24 May. A copy of the letter from TVBC would be circulated with the agenda for that meeting in order for Councillors to prepare for the item.

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12.3 Hampshire Fire and Rescue Risk Management Plan

The Risk Management Plan was **noted**. Dr. Subramanyam would review the plan and report back.

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12.4 Parish Paths

The letter from Hampshire CC was **noted**. The Chairman would consult with the footpath warden to see if she would like to take on the suggested survey of footpath usage.

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13. Risk Assessment Actions for February

13.1 Review Minimum Value for Competitive Tendering

It was **agreed** that the minimum value should remain at £500.

13.2 Set S.137 Limit

The limit for 2006/7 was **agreed** as £3323.84 (£5.44 x 611).

13.3 Review adequacy of PC, lease and licence holders insurance cover

Cover had been review recently and agreed to be adequate.

13.4 Actions to meet requirements of Racial Discrimination Act

I was confirmed that the action required according to the Parish Council's policy was regularly taken.

14. Minutes of 2005 Annual Parish Meeting

The minutes of the 2005 Annual Parish Meeting were **noted** and would be presented for approval at the 2006 meeting.

15. Agenda and arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting

The proposed agenda was **agreed**. It was **noted** that Roger Savage was not available to attend and speak about Awbridge School, but the Chairman would mention the school in his report. It was agreed to print and distribute a flyer to promote the meeting. Cost of distribution would be £30.

16. Annual Timsbury v. Michelmersh Cricket Match

The email from Norton Welch about the annual cricket match was **noted**. Dr. Subramanyam **agreed** to act as organiser for the event on behalf of the Parish Council.

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Mr. Welch also raised a concern about travellers occupying the recreation ground and the Chairman confirmed that he was contacting the police for advice.

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17. Meetings Attended

Donald Cowling and Dr. Subramanyam had attended the Planning Training Meeting held in the Jubilee Hall. The meeting had previewed the planning system and dealt with changes to the planning regulations.

18. Chairman's Mandate

The Chairman was mandated to speak on behalf of the Parish Council on the items contained in these minutes.

19. Any Other Business**19.1 Brickworks**

Parishioners in Hill View Lane had expressed concern following the report in the Newsletter that the Brickworks were planning to extract clay from fields behind their property. It was the intention of the Brickworks to discuss this with local residents and it was hoped that this would be done in the next two to three weeks.

20. Dates of future meetings.

Annual Parish Meeting - Monday 15 May.
Annual Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 24 May.
Parish Council - 28 June and 26 July.
All meetings in the Jubilee Hall, starting at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

Peter Buist
Parish Clerk
10 May 2006.

Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Council - Financial Report

Actual Amounts are as at 31 March 2006

INCOME	2005/6 Budget £	2005/6 Actual £		
Precept	14000.00	14000.00		
Sports Facility Rent	60.00	4772.50		
Jubilee Hall Rent	5.00	10.00		
VAT Recovered	160.00	0.00		
Interest on Bank Account	120.00	221.49		
Grants/Donations	4500.00	3025.00		
Newsletter Advertising	100.00	637.00		
Total Income	18945.00	22665.99		
Transfer from Reserves	12050.00	4118.00		
Total	30995.00	26783.99		
EXPENDITURE				
ADMINISTRATION				
Unavoidable Costs				
Clerk's salary & expenses	3800.00	3806.50		
Clerk's use home as office allowance				
Stationery + Refreshments	100.00	85.17		
Election Costs		42.25		
Insurance	2800.00	2479.54		
Audit	600.00	422.00		
Pocket Park rent	10.00	10.00		
Bank charges	25.00	40.00		
Village Hall hire	275.00	124.52		
Data Protection Fee		35.00		
Legal / Professional Fees	6000.00	4888.76		
ADMINISTRATION				
Avoidable Costs				
SLCC/CPRE/HAPTC subs	220.00	197.00		
Newsletter	825.00	951.00		
Web Hosting & Domain Registration	110.00	105.16		
Deliveries	90.00	30.00		
Training	100.00	20.00		
GRANTS & DONATIONS				
Unavoidable Costs				
Jubilee Hall	6500.00			
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Avoidable Costs				
Grants	1000.00	981.90		
Parish Plan	500.00			
Donations	250.00			
EXPENDITURE FROM SPORTS FUND				
Fire alarm maintenance	420.00	313.15		
Electrical inspection	100.00	293.75		
Ground Maintenance	0.00	561.85		
Sports Grants				
Fences	0.00			
Electricity		115.23		
Water		83.76		
Business Rates		141.29		
CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA				
Avoidable Costs				
Playground	6050.00	8235.58		
ENVIRONMENT				
Avoidable Costs				
Grass cutting/Tree Warden	350.00	281.73		
Dog Stiles	0.00	197.69		
Seats	0.00			
Total	30125.00	24442.83		
			Current Financial Statement	
			Instant Access	20100.24
			Current Account	398.24
			Cheques written but not cashed	0.00
			Invoices to be paid	3467.39
			Funds available	17031.09
			Invoices for payment	
			TVBC (Playground Inspections etc)	573.62
			P. Buist (sal & expns)	285.78
			Allianz Cornhill (Insurance)	2607.99
			Total	3467.39