

MICHELMERSH & TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 25 February 2009 at 7.30 p.m. at the Jubilee Hall, Timsbury.

Present: Parish Councillors, Mr. J. Rhodes (Acting Chairman), Mr. P Clarke, Mr. R. Davis, Mr. R. Goodland, Mr. A. Jones, Mr. R. Vie, TVB Cllr. Tony Ward, Parish Clerk Mr. P. Buist and 7 members of the public.

Action

1. Apologies

Mr. R. Fitzgerald gave apologies for absence.

2. Open Period

John Chambers spoke about the planning application for the Old Rectory and Nurses Cottage.

Stuart Wall spoke about the planning application for the Old Rectory.

Mary Lees spoke about the planning application for the Old Rectory.

Heidi and Ian Cameron spoke about the planning application for Nurses Cottage.

Ben Lucas asked about a 30 mph speed limit on the A3057. *It was confirmed that an order had been made to create a 30 mph limit to replace the current 40 mph zone.*

3. Declarations of any new interest.

Richard Vie declared a personal interest in the planning application for Sunny Bank. He was a near neighbour to the site.

John Rhodes declared a personal interest in the item on the Recreation Ground and Sports Club, He was a member of the club.

Alan Jones declared a personal and prejudicial interest on any discussion on the Tilebourne site, he was trying to establish ownership of the access route.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 28 January 2009.

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

5. Clerk's Report.

The report, copy attached, was **noted**.

6. Matters Arising from Meeting of 28 January 2009 not covered by item 5.

There were none.

7. Planning

7.1 Applications

09/00090/FULLS, erection of replacement tractor shed, land off Kimbridge Lane. No Objection.

09/00311/FULLS, ground and first floor extensions to Nurses Cottage, Haccups Lane. No objection.

09/00320/FULLS, demolition of car port, part extensions to dwelling and vine house, alterations to main house, change of use of coach house, construction of single storey extension on SE side, new parking area, The Old Rectory, Rudd Lane. It was **agreed** to defer this to a further meeting to enable a site visit to be made before any decision was reached. A meeting of the Planning Committee would be arranged for 11 March.

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09/00328/FULLS, amended scheme to 08/02219/FULLS, Sunny Bank, New Road. No objection.

7.2 Determinations

Replacement dwelling, Glenville, Hill View Road. Refused.
Garage, Willowbrook, New Road. Withdrawn.

Two applications to change house design, Tilebourne. Withdrawn.

It was **noted** that refusals to a change of use at Heritage, Rudd Lane and alterations to Holly Tree Cottage were going to appeal.

7.3 Land between Stockbridge Road and New Road.

It was **noted** that an Article 4 Direction had been placed on the landowners. This restricted them from erecting fences on the land without gaining planning permission.

7.4 Use of Developer Contributions.

It was **agreed** to invite Maurice Hewlett to a meeting of the Parish Council to discuss developer contributions and how they may be used.

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8. Financial Matters.

8.1 Current Financial Situation.

There was no financial report this month.

8.2 Invoices for Payment.

The following invoices were approved for payment:

TVBC (pocket park rent)	£10.00
P Buist (salary & expns)	£312.25
Hampshire ALC (affiliation fee)	£219.00
Churches Fire Security (fire extinguisher mte)	£80.12
TVBC (playground inspections)	£448.50
TVBC (dog bin emptying)	£139.04

There was concern that this was a lot more than Braishfield PC paid. **Afternote:**

The bin at Braishfield is emptied less frequently.

R K & L Hood (hedge cutting) £350

8.3 TVBC Quote for Playground Inspections 2009.

The quote for playground inspections in 2009 of £408 + VAT was **approved**.

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9. Recreation Ground.

9.1 Playground Inspection.

There were no known problems.

9.2 Proposal to amend the current licence arrangements with the Sports Club for the use of the recreation ground, review of issues. *Robin Goodland declared a personal and prejudicial interest (he was Secretary to the Sports Club) and left the room.*

Cllr. Davis reported that there had not been a further meeting with the club. He outlined his ideas. They were that the Club would take on responsibility for the buildings, the Parish Council would make an agreed contribution to cover ground maintenance. This was felt by some to be undemocratic, but could be reviewed and adjusted on an annual basis. The Parish Council would retain ownership of the ground. It was **agreed** that this scenario could be put to the Club.

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10. Correspondence

10.1 Suggested removal of "wicker men" from roadsides

The letter from a parishioner was **noted**. The Council also **noted** that there had been an article in the Parish Newsletter about the "green men" and why they were there. The Parish Council thought that they added a bit of character to the area, but would advise the creator of the "green men" of the views of the letter writer.

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11. Replacement Parish Council Notice Board.

The Clerk would provide options for the next meeting. It was **noted** that a free standing board on the road-side verge would need planning permission.

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12. Renewal of Jubilee Hall Lease.

The current lease was due for renewal in mid 2011. It was **noted** that the Jubilee Hall Management Committee would like a new 25 year lease with no changes. A copy of the current lease would be distributed to Councillor before the Parish Council took a decision.

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13. Repair of boundary fence between Copse and Recreation Ground.

The Clerk was asked to obtain a quote to repair / replace the fence. The new fence should be 1 metre high, chain link on wooden posts with an access gap.

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14. Risk Assessment Actions for February

14.1 Check that lessees have adequate & current insurance

The Clerk was asked to seek confirmation from the Sports Club and Jubilee Hall Management Committee.

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14.2 Review lease related contract requirements

The Clerk was asked to check the contractual requirement in the Pocket Park lease.

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15. Meetings Attended

None.

16. Chairman's Mandate.

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

17. Any Other Business

None.

18. Dates of meetings:

Planning Committee Meeting – 11 March.

Parish Council Meetings – 25 March and 22 April.

Annual Parish Meeting 18 May 2009.

The meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

Peter Buist,
Parish Clerk,
March 2009

**Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Council
Clerk's Report to PC Meeting of 25 February 2009.**

1. Tilebourne

I have written to Hampshire CC asking for a definitive decision on whether or not there was an encroachment on the bridle way. Text of the letter was as follows:

"Thank you for your letter of 28 November 2008. My Parish Council have now had a chance to consider its contents. They were pleased to note that there was "no question of further (vehicular) rights being acquired" on the bridleway, however the letter did not answer the question of whether or not a stretch of the bridleway without vehicular rights had been taken to complete the access to the site.

It appeared to my Council that as Hampshire County Council were the organisation who determined bridleways, then they ought to be able to say if there was an encroachment or not. If this cannot be done from the existing plans and maps, then my Council requests that a ground survey is carried out to establish whether or not a new section of bridleway without existing vehicular rights has been taken.

It would seem prudent to do this now and try and prevent any criminal offence being committed rather than involve the police which could result in enforcement action and some innocent individual arrested and charged to prove the point."

I have received a reply to say that instructions are being taken.

2. Grant for Stiles

I have received the documents to apply for this. The application will be made this week.

3. RoSPA Inspection of Play Area

This has been requested and should take place in May.

4. Stockbridge Road Hedge

The hedge has been cut.

5. Recreation Hut Charity

I have advised Dr. Glasspool of the Parish Council's suggestion. Dr. Glasspool is planning a meeting of the Trustees in March and changes to the Group will be confirmed then.

6. Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

The new document has been posted on the village web site.

7. Traffic Order

A traffic order has been made, coming into force on 2 March 2009 that the A3057 though the village will become a 30mph limit and the speed limits on Rudd Lane and Hill View Road will be extended.

8. Cycleway

Work on the extension of the cycleway has been delayed due to the bad weather.

Peter Buist
Parish Clerk
23 February 2009