

CANDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date: 6th April 2011.

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Totford Farm House, Totford

Present:	Jonathan Moseley	Chairman
	Sue Marriott	Vice-Chairman
	Edwina Curtis-Hayward	
	Di Peisley	
	Adam Willmott	
	Wendy Simson	Clerk
	Bob Parks	CVC

Apologies: None

556 Minutes of the previous meeting (1st March 2011)

The minutes of the last meetings were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

557 Financial statement

Adam Willmott talked through the year end accounts and explained that there were some outstanding payments to be made which needed investigating. This included the external auditor who were charging an extra £25 as they sent an extra letter out about the reports which Adam had informed them he would not be able to respond to as he was on holiday.

Action: Adam to speak to audit commission and get agreement on payment.

Action: Wendy and Adam to confirm all payments have been made for 2010/11 before closing the accounts.

The Chairman asked Mr Parks who represents the Candover Club to talk through what has been achieved in the last 12 months and why the donation is as important as it is to them. Mr Parks talked through the new heating, toilets and furniture which had been part funded by a grant from Basingstoke and Deane, but for which the Club was required to find 25% of the costs. This had used up the last of the resources and to ensure there was a little to maintain the level of suppliers and service the donation by the Parish Council was seem as a huge boost to the bank balance. The Parish Council discussed increasing the donation but it was decided that the agreed amount of £1,000 is paid but that if the Club required extra funds that they should approach the Parish Council again. This cheque was signed at the meeting.

The donation for the Cricket Club was also discussed in view of the increases in fuel costs and the fact that the donation hasn't been increased for a number of years; it was decided to increase this from £150 to £250 for 2011/12.

The hedges which surround the cricket field were also discussed as no donation is made for their upkeep by the Parish Council and it was agreed that £50 be paid towards this cost.

The cheque for Hampshire Association of Local Councils was due which was signed by the Parish Council along with the payment for the telephone box in Brown Candover of £1. The

contract for taking ownership of the telephone box was also signed by the Chairman. It has been agreed that Mrs Peisley would take responsibility for the renovation of this asset and its ongoing upkeep. It was agreed that the work would be complete by 1st September 2011.

Action: Wendy to post off cheque for Hampshire Association of Local Councils and BT cheque for telephone box along with the contract.

Action: Wendy to prepare cheques for Cricket Club and hedge cutting donations.

Adam had completed a bank mandate to change the signatory on the bank account. This was for the savings account and an additional form is required for the current account.

Action: Wendy to take form into the bank and ensure all paperwork is sourced to get the accounts changed.

558 Update from Anna McNair Scott

The Chairman spoke to Councillor McNair Scott and she is working on the action points from the last meeting.

559 Feedback on key priorities for policing

PC Reid had asked the Parish Council to give some feedback on what it saw as being the three main priorities for the police force in the coming year. The following were agreed:-

1. Effective police presence obvious in our area to act as a deterrent to criminals
2. Prompt response by police to incidents
3. Prompt communication to neighbourhood watch co-ordinators of any suspicious activity so the community can be vigilant

The issue of fly-tipping was also discussed and was reported back to PC Reid but it was considered that this would be a local Council issue.

Action: Wendy to report back to PC Reid

560 Dates of future meetings

The following dates have been agreed for Parish Council meetings for 2011:-

10th May – AGM and meeting
9th August
8th November

These are subject to change but are to be reported in the Oxdrove.

561 Election update

There have been five nominations for the five positions on the Parish Council which means that there will be no requirement for a formal election on 5th May.

562 General correspondence

The application to erect a mast at Woodmancott has been re-submitted. It is the same as last time just with more information. The Parish Council and Mark Ruffell had objected and Wendy to catch up with Mark about progress.

Action: Wendy to speak to Mark Ruffell about progress of application.

A new planning application has been made for one of the cottages in Dummer which fall into the Candover parish Council remit.

Action: Wendy to circulate details

563 Any Other Business

A number of white signs have appeared to identify where a particular flower is growing on the verges which a rare butterfly eats.

Action: The Chairman is to circulate the details and put some information in the Oxdrove.

The Woolpack has taken to using A-frame boards on the roadside which the Parish Council saw as being excessive.

Action: Chairman to talk to Woolpack manager and discuss

It was discussed when the bus shelters were last treated, it was agreed it was within the last 5 years and would not need to be added to the budget for 2011.