

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ALLBROOK AND NORTH BOYATT PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2012  
AT CRESTWOOD SCHOOL AT 7PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Wall (Chairman), Councillor Mrs Calder, and Councillor Hawes.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** County Councillor Chris Thomas.

**38. APOLOGIES**

Councillor Symonds and Councillor Sollitt.

**39. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none declared.

**40. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF ALLBROOK AND NORTH BOYATT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 25 JULY 2012**

**RESOLVED –**

**That the Minutes of the meetings held on 25 July 2012 be approved and signed as a correct record.**

**41. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Buses in the Parish

A member of the public had received a letter from Councillor Airey to confirm that there would be no buses in Pitmore Road. He advised residents to use the No1 bus which was every 20 minutes that went to Southampton and Winchester, otherwise there was a bus to Eastleigh every 2 hours.

Boyatt lane Speeding

A member of the public raised the issue of speeding in the area, specifically in Boyatt Lane by the allotments which was a very narrow road but still a national speed limit. Councillor Thomas confirmed that Hampshire County Council was reviewing the 20 mph speed limit. Councillor Thomas went on to update the meeting of County Council news/information. He reported that Speedwatch was underway and the first people had been trained. They were there to remind people of the speed limit not to enforce it. He advised that at a cost of £3,000 there was only one gun allocated for Eastleigh town and this would be used on a priority basis.

Hampshire County Council were currently undertaking an experimental 20 mph trial on Cherbourg Road, trials were taking place across the County anyone could bid for one, however it was difficult to bring prosecution. For the issue previously mentioned on Boyatt Lane a change of designation of speed limit could be applied for however proof of the problem would be needed. Councillor Thomas would enquire as to how many people and how

regularly people were speeding along that route. He asked PC Beale to conduct random spot checks in the area.

Councillor Thomas confirmed that after reducing the County Councillor grant by £2,000 last year it had now been raised to £10,000 for next year. This money could be put into local projects and he would be delighted to receive applications from local residents on how the money could be spent.

Hampshire County Council were still undecided on the refuge on Woodside Avenue, three consultations had taken place in 4 years he suggested that the £10,000 grant could be put towards a refuge.

Councillor Thomas reported that 80 children from Eastleigh had been sent to schools in Chandler's Ford as the Eastleigh schools had been oversubscribed. Councillor Hawes asked for information on the plans for Rookwood. Councillor Thomas advised that permission had been granted for Eastleigh College to build an on-site training centre. However Hampshire County Council had recently changed the funding rules; ages 16-17 now came under schools and their funding came from Hampshire County Council. This funding was no longer guaranteed and there was a possibility that there would not be sufficient funding so the project was on hold. He advised that they had 3 years from the date of grant of application in which to start development.

#### **42. APPOINTMENT OF NEW PARISH CLERK**

The Chairman thanked the outgoing Parish Clerk, Carly Walters for her hard work over the past 2 years and wished her success in her new role. The Chairman welcomed the new Parish Clerk, Amy Randall to the Council.

**RESOLVED –**

**That Amy Randall be appointed as Parish Clerk to Allbrook and North Boyatt Parish Council.**

#### **43. PCSO'S**

PC Beale and PCSO McCarthy introduced themselves and were welcomed to the meeting by the Chairman.

PC Beale reported some recent statistics with the speed enforcement on Twyford Road and Woodside Avenue. One Police bike and a van had caught 15-20 speeders per month ranging from speeds between 38 and 61mph over the last 12 months.

He advised that he personally had spent five hours on Woodside Avenue with a speed trap and the fastest speed he had experienced during that period was 45mph.

PC Beale reported that they had held a bicycle coding event last month at which 50 bikes were coded. This did not stop bikes being stolen, however acted as a good deterrent and the bike could be returned to the owner if

found.

Since the last meeting 54 ASB's had been issued which was up 2% on the same period last year. However in Eastleigh North, from the Police Station to the Airport, there had been a 33% rise in ASB's. There had also been 21 incidents of criminal damage and a letter had been issued to residents asking for witnesses.

PC Beale handed out some leaflets regarding the Crime Reports website which enabled users to input their postcode and using Google maps would receive reports of any crime that had happened in the last 24 hours in their locality.

PCSO McCarthy asked for any volunteers for Community Speedwatch. This involved using a speedgun to register speed and number plates which then linked to the Police and DVLA database. An advisory letter would be sent to anyone breaking the 30mph speed limit.

A member of the public raised the issue of people ignoring the give way sign at the top of Pitmore Road and Boyatt lane junction. PC Beale advised he would do some checks in that area.

A member of the public enquired about the horses in the field south of the track. PC Beale confirmed that they had been patrolling regularly in that area and the equine officer had recently been out to give the owners some advice regarding fencing and security.

The Chairman thanked PC Beale and PCSO McCarthy for their update.

#### **44. ALLOTMENTS – GENERAL UPDATE**

Linda Greenslade the Allotments Officer gave a verbal update on the allotments.

There had been a Site Rep Meeting on 4 September 2012; the rat problem was still being monitored and action would be taken as necessary. A plot holders guide had been produced by the site reps and the uncultivated plot letter had been reworded.

A new hedge cutter was required and quotes were currently being sought. Councillor Thomas suggested that the County Council grant funding could be used for this, however the grant could only be used once and therefore a package would need to be put together. Dog bins were also suggested, however Councillor Thomas advised the grant could only be used to purchase the bins and not to empty them. He would liaise with the Borough Council regarding the cost to empty the bins.

The Allotment Officer then reported that a new £20.00 key deposit was to be added to all plot holders annual subscriptions as per the previous Clerk's instruction. However the Chairman felt that this could only be charged to new tenants. The Allotment Officer and other Members agreed that existing tenants had already paid a key deposit to the Borough Council

so only new tenants could justifiably be charged.

**RESOLVED –**

**(1) That only new tenants to the allotments be charged the £20 key deposit; and**

**(2) That the report be noted.**

**45. LOCAL PLAN**

The Chairman advised that at its meeting in November 2011 the Parish Council took the view that they would oppose AL1 and AL2 of the Local Plan. He confirmed that the Council remained opposed to AL1 and AL2 and that the Parish Council would support Margaret Ward and her colleagues.

The Chairman went on to explain that the Local Plan was a Strategic Land Assessment which listed all the sites in the Borough deemed suitable for development and listed the need for housing and employment land and where it could be situated.

A total of 9408 houses were needed by 2029. 2073 had been allocated which left a shortfall of 4720 that needed to be accommodated on greenfield sites. The Chairman confirmed that the land south of Boyatt Lane, behind Lincoln's House and Pltmore Copse which was going to be allocated for either 240 dwellings or as employment land had been removed from the Local Plan. The land adjacent to Penarth House had a planning application granted for 55 units for an alzheimers care home with consent for nursing. This had not yet been built. The Chairman confirmed that the Borough Council would resist any other use of this land. The land east of Allbrook Way was no longer in the Plan as was Allbrook Farm. There was an allocation of 25 dwellings behind Portchester Rise.

The Chairman confirmed that the Borough Council were drafting a consultation response to the Government Inspector and that the consultation deadline for comments was 12 October 2012. He advised that the Parish Council was still opposed to AL1 and AL2 of the Local Plan and the Parish Clerk would write to the Borough Council to reaffirm the position of a year ago.

Both Councillors Wall and Thomas made clear how important it was for the Borough to have a Local Plan; not only due to the 4700 people on the housing waiting list but also if the Borough Council did not have a sound plan it left the Borough open to Developer's putting in huge applications for any site in the Borough. This would be difficult to contest without a plan.

Mr Wilkinson spoke with regard to AL1 and AL2 of the Local Plan and how he felt the Borough Council had ignored residents and the Parish Council and transport assessment. He felt that there was no capacity on the highway as back in 2010 a traffic analysis was completed and Allbrook Way was a 102% capacity. All the surrounding roads were also very busy. He also stated that he felt that the Plan had been rushed through by the

Borough Council due to time constraints and the pressure of what would happen if there was no plan. He urged local residents to visit [www.allbrookaction.co.uk](http://www.allbrookaction.co.uk) in order to get involved and help support the group.

The Chairman thanked Mr Wilkinson for his contribution and advised that every household was sent a leaflet regarding the Local Plan and it was advertised in the Borough News.

**RESOLVED –**

- (1) That the Parish Council were opposed to AL1 and AL2 of the Borough Council's Local Plan; and**
- (2) That the Parish Clerk would reaffirm the Parish Council's position by way of a submission to the Borough Council's Local Plan consultation.**

**46. COUNCILLOR VACANCIES**

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council currently only had five Members as two had resigned and the other had been disqualified for non-attendance at meetings due to a change in circumstances.

The three vacancies had been advertised by the Parish Clerk and no election had been called. This left the Council in a position to co-opt Members to the Council. He advised that local resident Mary Freemantle had expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor.

**RESOLVED –**

**That Mary Freemantle be co-opted to the Parish Council.**

**47. AUDIT UPDATE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Parish Clerk which sought to update the Council on the Parish Council's audit.

The Clerk had received a response from the Audit Commission who had deemed the Council as good in the 2011/12 audit. The Clerk advised that she had advertised the result of the 2011/12 audit on the four noticeboards in the Parish.

**RESOLVED –**

**That the report be noted.**

**48. PARISH PLAN**

At the last meeting it had been agreed that the Parish Plan would remain a standing item on the Parish Council agendas. The Chairman advised the Council that it required a Councillor to take the lead. It was hoped that any

new Councillors to the Council would have the capability to lead on the Parish Plan.

#### 49. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Parish Council considered Eastleigh Borough Council's Code of Conduct and agreed that this should be adopted as the Parish Council's code.

#### RESOLVED –

**That the Parish Clerk would make the necessary amendments to Eastleigh Borough Council's Code of Conduct and report it back to the next meeting for adoption.**

#### 50. DEVELOPER'S CONTRIBUTIONS

The Chairman advised that there was an opportunity to bid for funding from Developer's Contributions and that the Parish Council had the following Developers Contributions:

<b>ELAC</b>	<b>ALLBROOK PC</b>
<b><u>Received and Currently Unallocated</u></b>	
	£
Community Infrastructure	<b>12,006.41</b>
	£
Public Open Space and Play Provision	<b>39,024.04</b>
	£
- District Park/Playing Field	<b>2,103.10</b>
	£
- Local Green Space	<b>375.96</b>
	£
- Wildlife Sites	<b>129.34</b>
	£
Sustainable Transport	<b>13,931.69</b>
Public Art	
Community Infrastructure (not commenced)	£
	6,028.20
Public Open Space and Play Provision (not commenced)	£
	3,002.82
	£
- District Park/Playing Field	5,512.44
	£
- Local Green Space	979.70
	£
- Wildlife Sites	339.50
	£
	<b>83,433.20</b>
	£
<b>Previously</b>	<b>81,168.49</b>
<b><u>Ringfenced/Allocated money</u></b>	
Affordable Housing	£ -
	£
Other	13,909.00
	£
	<b>13,909.00</b>

<b><u>Anticipated via S106 or Planning Applications</u></b>	
Community Infrastructure	£ 17,850.00
Public Open Space and Play Provision	£ 4,727.00
Sustainable Transport	£ 4,210.00
	£ <b>26,787.00</b>

**RESOLVED –**

**(1) That the report be noted; and**

**(2) That the Clerk would liaise with the Borough Council to establish exactly how the Developers Contributions could be spent.**

**51. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Parish Clerk advised the Council that to her knowledge there had been no correspondence received since the last meeting.

**52. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Clerk's/Allotment Officer's expenditure: The Parish Council considered the paper on expenditure, which detailed endorsed and new cheques to be issued. Members agreed to endorse all cheques presented in the report, as listed below:

44	Carly Walters (Parish Clerk - old) <i>Expenses (August - September 2012)</i>	£29.05
45	Amy Randall (Parish Clerk - new) <i>Expenses (September 2012)</i>	£346.90
46	Royal Mail <i>PO Box for Parish Clerk</i>	£230.00
47	Hampshire County Council <i>Recruitment of Parish Clerk</i>	£114.00
48	Audit Commission <i>Audit Fee 2011/12</i>	£342.00
49	Southern Water <i>Lincoln's Rise Allotments</i>	£72.50
50	Southern Water <i>Broomhill Allotment</i>	£15.45
51	David Ward <i>Allotment Expenses</i>	£75.99

52	Norman Exelby Allotment Expenses	£5.00
53	Linda Greenslade Allotment Expenses	£88.17
54	Royal Mail PO Box + VAT (LG)	£276.00
55	Royal Mail PO Box + VAT (AR)	£276.00
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>£1,871.06</b>

**RESOLVED –**

**That authority for the payment of cheques 044 – 055 be given.**

**52. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The Council was advised that an extraordinary Parish Council meeting had been arranged for 3 October 2012 at 7pm in Crestwood School to discuss the forthcoming Police and Crime Commissioners Election. The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 28 November 2012 at 7pm in Crestwood School.

The meeting ended at 8.45p.m.

Signed .....

CHAIRMAN