

TIDMARSH WITH SULHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Tidmarsh Village Hall on Wednesday 20th September 2006, commencing at 8.00.p.m.

- Present: Mr. M. Broun (Chairman),
Mr. C. Pawson, , Mr. R. Taylor
- Apologies: Mrs. M. Kennet, Mr. J. Harland
Mr. J. Chapman (District Councillor).
- In Attendance: Clerk to the Parish Council
Mr. T. Metcalfe (District Councillor)

33. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no items on the agenda that resulted in Members, at this stage, declaring either a personal or a prejudicial interest.

34. **Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Parish Council**

The minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 20th September 2006, having been circulated, were confirmed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

35. **Matters Arising on the Minutes**

- i. The Tidmarsh Manor Lane notices were expected to be erected by the end of the month.
- ii. Councillor Rod Taylor gave his views on the Public Consultation Document for the Long Term Management of Solid Low Level Radioactive Waste in the United Kingdom. Three options had been considered, but he had no views contrary to those outlined in the document.
- iii. Continued concern was expressed at the inability of the Head of Planning at West Berkshire District Council to reply to letters sent by the Chairman of the Planning Committee in regard to Tidmarsh Barn.

36. **District Council Report**

District Councillor Tim Metcalfe reported on relevant activities at District Council level. There were no major local items, but the Waste Disposal Policy decisions would impact throughout the District.

37. Planning Committee

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee meeting held on 15th August were received and the planning observations endorsed.

38. Planning Applications

The planning application number 06/01641 for development at Knabs Lodge had been withdrawn.

A consultation document, entitled Partial Review of the South East Plan – Provision for Gypsies and Travellers Caravan Sites, was handed to the Chairman for consideration.

39. Highways, Traffic and Footpaths

The District Council had yet to determine the outcome of the applications for the Vehicle Activated Signs. It had been understood that the Tidmarsh sign had been the subject of a special capital allocation, but no written confirmation had been received.

It was agreed to request clarification of the situation, and enquire into the expenditure of the local section 106 development contributions.

In rejecting the revised speed reduction requests for Sulham and Tidmarsh, the District Council had stipulated that minor signage improvements would be considered. There was no evidence of this work and the timing of the proposed activity would be requested.

40. Eastern Area Vision

District Councillor Tim Metcalfe reported that the study had now been renamed the Kennet and Thames Vision. It was anticipated that the final version would be circulated among the participating parishes.

41. Pangbourne and District Neighbourhood Action Group

It was understood that vehicle speeding was the most important item on the current agenda.

42. Preparation of the Parish Plan

Councillor Colin Pawson reported that 75% of the questionnaires had been returned and the first draft of the matrix was awaited.

43. Thames Valley Police Briefing

Councillor Rod Taylor was appointed to represent the Parish Council at the

Neighbourhood Policing briefing to be held at Holdsworth Hall, Thames Valley Police Training Centre, Sulhamstead on 4th October.

44. Environment Agency

A letter was received from the Environment Agency together with a proposed Flood Emergency Plan Template for adoption by the Parish Council.

The details were noted, and a copy of the correspondence would be copied to Councillor Colin Pawson for him to reply to the Agency.

45. Rural Services Review Booklet

The above booklet was received and noted.

A complaint had been received from a parishioner about the presence of persons in the area of the disused section of the A340 at the approach to the motorway bridge. Thames Valley Police would be asked to give their views on activities that may not come under the heading of rural services.

46. Financial Matters

Resolved that the under mentioned item be authorised for payment, such sum to be debited to the account of the parish council.

Hacker Young, External Audit Fee 2005/6	£58.75
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47. Junior Citizen of the Year

Details of the competition were received from the District Council.

48. SID Training

The Chairman and Councillor Rod Taylor undertook to attend a training session on the use of the mobile Speed Training Device that could be used to monitor the speed of vehicles using roads within the two parishes.

49. Conclusion

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.27 p.m.

Chairman
15th November 2006