

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BROAD HINTON AND WINTERBOURNE
BASSETT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12TH MAY 2010 IN BROAD HINTON VILLAGE**

HALL

Present: Cllrs. James Keith (Chair); Robert Horton (Vice-Chair); Phil Catling; George Horton; Des Clarke; Geoff Martin; Rod Brooke; Gill Crabtree; Jemima Milton; Sarah Watts (Community Beat Manager for Marlborough Rural West) and Marilyn Martin (clerk)

Apologise for absence: Cllr. Penny Brewer

Item	Description	Action
1	Election of Chair: Des Clarke proposed James Keith. Geoff Martin seconded this motion. All were in favour and James accepted the position.	
2	Election of Vice Chair: Robert Horton resigned his position as Vice Chair. James Keith proposed Geoff Martin. Phil Catling seconded this motion. All were in favour and Geoff accepted the position.	
3	Report from Sarah Watts: (a) She has talked to the Broad Hinton School children in years 5 and 6 about drugs and all the children concerning "staying safe". (b) Discussions are on-going with the School, Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee regarding the Travel Plan. This involves parents parking, walking to school and speeding. The school are hoping to apply for a grant to create a footpath from the shop to the Crown. Councillors also discussed the idea of creating a step on the Pitches bank opposite the Crown. Jemima Milton said she would contact the Wiltshire Traffic Engineer so that an assessment can be made of the most suitable and safe place for parents, children and residents to cross. (c) Sarah will contact the manager at Gallaghers regarding the parking of vehicles adjacent to the Bell Inn. (d) Recorded crime in the last 3 months is down 27 and a half percent. (e) Bluez and Zuz Disco is very successful amongst the young population in Marlborough but she would like to see more youngsters from the outlying villages (f) Community Speed Watch: This is where local volunteers join together and monitor traffic speeds at identified road locations in the community on 30 and 40mph roads. If the Council decide to pursue this, they must pick an area and then apply to the Area Board.	SW JM
4	Confirmation of Areas of Responsibility: The Chair asked the Councillors if they were prepared to continue in their areas of responsibility and all agreed. Geoff asked that that when the stewards are in the Parish that Phil and George inform of what needs to be done in Winterbourne Bassett.	
5	Minutes of the last meeting: Agreed and signed by the Chair.	
6	Matters Arising:	
6a	Play Area: James will contact Rachel Knight to ascertain whether she wants to continue raising funds for a pre-school area. The £30,000 grant from Playbuilder was only available for 8-13 year olds. James had previously emailed a reply to her letter of the 24 th March 2010.	JK
6b	Parish Plan: As there has been no response from the community no action will be taken.	
6c	Freedom of the Parish: A vote was taken on whether or not to pursue this idea. The motion was rejected with 3 in favour, 4 against and 1 abstention.	
7	Councillors Additional Reports	
7a	Des Clarke – School and Community Liaison: Des will be attending the next parents meeting in the school. He will report back.	DC
7b	Geoff Martin – Footpaths: The maintenance man is trimming the bank	GBM

	along the Pitches: Geoff will repair the broken fence on Pitches end amenity area: Village Weekend Clean-up – very disappointing response from residents but many thanks to the stalwart few who did make it. Des suggested giving the Maintenance man more hours so that he can collect rubbish. This would then be cost on the precept. The moles on the amenity area have been pelleted. This will need redoing at some later date.	
7c	Rod Brooke – Planning: Thames Water has quoted £5892.37 to supply water to the allotments. Rod applied for a grant to the Marlborough Area Board but as 50% has to be donated from the parish precept, this was rejected by the Council. Rod will contact an approved repairer and have the existing supply repaired. Rod informed the Council that he would be resigning at the next meeting as he is moving out of the Parish.	RB
7d	Phil Catling – Police Liaison: Phil thanked the residents of Winterbourne Bassett for the excellent job they did during the weekend clean up. 15 bags were filled with all kinds of rubbish, including a toilet.	
7e	Gill Crabtree: Highways and Footpaths – (a) Gill has been involved in the “Taking Action on School Journeys Challenge” travel plan and is actively pursuing a safe path from the school to the Crown. (b) She has spoken to the Highway Engineer regarding the re-surfacing of the High Street and the drainage in Post Office Lane and the High Street. The pavement along Yew Tree Lane is not on the Highways list and will not happen. The only way it could be done is if it were on the Travel Plan. Gill has noted this. Gill will also chase up the “Give Way” sign at Winterbourne Bassett.	
7f	Cardboard and Plastic recycling skips: James asked if these could be at the village hall for a longer period. The clerk will enquire and also try to have the service on a more frequent basis.	Clerk
8	Planning: The following 2 applications have been approved by Wiltshire and were not objected to by the Parish Council	
8a	143 High Street, Broad Hinton – Work to trees at The Spinney	
8b	35 Winterbourne Bassett – Proposed replacement dwelling and change of use of land (amendment to E/09/0981/FUL)	
9	Finance:	
9a	Current Account Balance: £649.54: Deposit Account Balance: £9031.03	
	Transfer of £500 from Deposit to Current Account	
9b	Received £5500 Precept and £800 allotment fees	
9c	Cheques for authorisation: £245.01 – WALC Subscription: £311.54 – Community First Insurance: £200 – Robert Horton Allotment Tenancy Fee: £50 – Marilyn Martin ex gratio fee for allotment work: £80 – Mrs. B. Richards for pellets for mole removal: £500 – Donation to Broad Hinton Village Hall.	
9d	Geoff proposed that the Council give a donation of £1000 to the Village Hall. This was unanimously rejected but Des suggested that the situation be reviewed in 6 months time. This was agreed.	
10	Correspondence: James has received a letter from Claire Fitzpatrick which he will circulate to all councillors.	JK
11	Dates for meetings in 2010/2011	
	July 21st, September 15th and November 17th 2010. January 19th, March 23rd and May 18th 2011.	
	Signed	Date

