

**PARISH COUNCIL OF HILLESLEY AND TRESHAM**  
**MINUTES**  
**Meeting held at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley on**  
**Wednesday 10th March 2010**

**Present:** Cllr D Darlow (chair), Cllr S Butcher, Cllr A Clark, Cllr A Doughty, Cllr C Halpin,  
Cllr A Larrieu, Mrs H Cooke (Clerk)

**In attendance:** Cllr J Cordwell (County), 1 member of the public

Action

1. **Apologies for absence:**, Cllr R Harlow, accepted. Cllr P Hemming (District), noted.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Butcher item 6ciii
3. **Minutes of the last meeting:**  
The minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2010 were approved, and signed by the Chair.
4. **Clerk's Report**
  - a. New Hillesley notice board erected.
  - b. Changes to allotment tenancies being negotiated for start of new season.
5. **Correspondence and documents:**  
The following correspondence and documents were considered. They can be viewed for up to a year by arrangement with the Clerk:
  - a. GCC: New opening hours for household recycling centres (Mon- Sunday 9am - 6pm)
  - b. Nailsworth TC: request to support asking SDC to have a consultation policy. Noted.
  - c. Bus-Com: request for information re possible mobile shop with internet access. Write to support in principle pending Parish Plan.
  - d. Energy saving Trust: sign up for Green Communities.
6. **Planning Applications:**
  - a. Applications dealt with under Delegated Powers:
    - i. [S.10/0057/FUL](#) Upper Kilcot Farm, re-modelling of existing garden: no observation
  - b. Decisions Received:
    - i. [S.09/2194/HHOLD](#) Highfield Cottage Upper Kilcott: Erection of two story extension. Permitted.
    - ii. [S.09/2248/COU](#) & [S.09/2249/LBC](#) Barn At Day House Farm Day House Lane: Change of use of barn to residential and external and internal alterations. Permitted.
  - c. Consultation on New Applications:
    - i. [S.10/0208/HHOLD](#) Kilcot House Kilcot Road, Hillesley. Construction of Conservatory. No observation.
    - ii. [S.10/0296/HHOLD](#) Highfield Cottage Upper Kilcot. Erection of extension and alterations to dwelling. Re-submission of approved planning application ref: S.09/2194/HHOLD. No observation.
    - iii. [S.10/0205/OUT](#) Pleasant View High Street. Erection of 4 dwellings. Objection on

grounds of outside settlement boundary and concerns for road safety. Additional comment that Parish Plan is currently being developed.

- d. Note that application [S.09/2135/COU](#) (Land Adjacent To Folly Farm Kingswood Road: Change of use of land for clay pigeon shooting) has been withdrawn.

## 7. Finance

- a. Performance as of 3rd March:  
Running cash balance: £3707.19. Bank balance: £3732.19. Unspent budget £1200.
- b. The following payments were approved:
- Greenbarnes Ltd, Hillesley notice board, £1204.49 (inc 157.11 VAT) [LGA1972 s111]
  - MJ Spencer, erection of notice board £129.25 (inc 19.25 VAT) [LGA1972 s111]
  - Mrs H Cooke, Clerk's pay, £360 [LGA 1972 s112]
  - Post office Ltd, Tax, £90[LGA 1972 s112]

## 8. SDC Core Strategy Consultation

- a. Councillors who attended the Wotton briefing reported that, although not the main focus, housing development decisions seemed to be the key factor.
- b. Until such time as there is a Parish Plan in place, it was felt that the Parish Council should support Strategy Option E (Town and Country Combination Strategy); with the additional remark, that smaller villages may also need to expand to retain such services as remain.

## 9. Parish Plan

- a. The steering group has been formed (Mr L Doughty, Mr L Halpin, Mrs G Haywood, Mrs R Arkle) and an initial meeting is being arranged.
- b. The steering group to be invited to attend the Annual Parish Assembly.
- c. Arrangements for Annual Assembly:
- Police and Parish groups to be invited to attend and report activities and plans. Clerk
  - Event to be advertised in Hillesley Happenings and on posters Clerk
  - Coffee to be served from 6.45pm with meeting to commence at 7pm. SB/AC

## 10. Highways, Footpaths and Waterways

- a. Report of alleged increase in traffic through Kilcote and concern over damage to verges.
- b. Reported footpath issues yet to be addressed.
- c. Annual Hillesley spring clean on 24<sup>th</sup> April, meeting at 10am at the bus shelter for issue of pickers and hi viz jackets. To be publicised through Hillesley happenings and school. Tresham spring clean to be arranged. all

## 11. County and District Councillor Reports

### *County Council:*

County Council Budget. As expected, the County Council's budget meeting agreed to a 2.3% increase in council tax.

Rights of Way. There are currently 86 applications from the public for alterations to the Definitive Map. Of these, 4 are regarded as high priority and 33 as medium priority. Staff to deal with these have been cut from 1.6 full time equivalent (FTE) in November 2008, which was insufficient to keep up with the workload, to 0.8 FTE following an imminent early

retirement.

Vale of Berkeley College. County Council Cabinet agreed to put off the decision until their June meeting to enable:

- i) a full and detailed analysis of the Cooperative Trust proposal and
- ii) further analysis of where the pupils would transfer to if it is decided to close the school, which would not take place until August 31st 2011.

Pothole repairs. A temporary highways inspection policy which deals with the highest priority defects first has been initiated in association with the county's insurers. Insurance claims will not be successful unless the county is not meeting this temporary inspection policy. The next divisional estimates meeting is on 25th March when we will find out how much of the capital programme has been diverted into pothole repairs.

County Councillors meeting with Stroud District Council Cabinet.

Liaison meetings with the SDC have been reinstated following the change in leader at the SDC. Parish councils are asked to "forward think" what they would want from potential developers. The SDC makes use of Parish Plans to determine what goes in a S106 agreement as they need an evidence base to support their request.

*District Council:* No report.

**12. Training**

GAPTC training opportunities outlined. No requirement at this time.

**13. Open Session**

The following issue was raised and noted:

- a. The school has formed an eco group, details on Hillesley notice board.

**14. Date of Next Meeting**

Next meeting: Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April, Hopkins Hall, Hillesley following Annual Parish Assembly (to start at 6.45pm).

**15. Meeting closed at 9.10 pm**

I certify that the above minutes are a correct record of the above meeting

Signed: .....

Date: .....