

PARISH COUNCIL OF HILLESLEY AND TRESHAM
MINUTES
Meeting held at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley on
Wednesday 2nd December 2009

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

In attendance: Cllr J Cordwell (County), Cllr P Hemmings (District), 2 members of the public

Action

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr A Larrieu, accepted.

2. **Declarations of Interest:** None

3. **Minutes of the last meeting:**

The minutes of the 4th November 2009 were approved, and signed by the Chair.

4. **Clerk's Report**

- a. Organised and authorised Flood Warden to collect Quick Bags for Kilcott
- b. Completed actions from 4 Nov

5. **Correspondence and documents:**

The following correspondence and documents were noted. They can be viewed for up to a year by arrangement with the Clerk:

- a. Volunteer & Community Action (Stroud) Annual Report
- b. Digital TV Switchover Community Outreach Pack. Availability to be publicised.
- c. Gloucestershire CC response to loss of Tresham Bus.

Clerk

6. **Governance**

- a. Freedom of Information Act 2002. Received Information Commissioner's model publication scheme.

Resolved: To adopt IC model publication scheme.

- b. Received draft Hillesley & Tresham publication list.

Resolved: To approve publication list subject to minor corrections, and review annually.

7. **Planning Applications:**

- a. Applications dealt with under Delegated Powers:
 - i. [S.09/1748/HHOLD](#) The Portcullis Hillesley: Conversion of garden store to garage. No observation.
- b. Decisions Received: none
- c. Consultation on New Applications:
 - i. [S.09/1599/FUL](#) Mill Farm Alderley Road, Hillesley: Erect stable / calf loose box block. No observation.
 - ii. [S.09/2011/FUL](#) Nimrods Barn: Erection of extension for new swimming pool

building. No observation

- iii. [S.09/2022/OHL](#) Tresham Farm: Upgrade of existing line from 2 wire to 3 wire and the erection of 4 new poles. No observation.

8. Finance

- a. Performance as of 26th November
Running cash balance: £7464.68. Bank balance: £7474.68. Unspent budget £4882.
- b. The following payments were approved:
 - i. Hillesley Happenings, Printing Parish plan leaflets, £10 [LGA1972 s14]
 - ii. Mrs H Cooke, Clerk's pay, £360 [LGA 1972 s112]
- c. **Resolved: to award and issue £1470 in grants for 2009/2010 as follows:**
 - i. Tresham Church £350 [LGA 1972 s137]
 - ii. Cotswold Talking Newspaper £20 [LGA 1972 s137]
 - iii. Volunteer & Community Action £30 [LGA 1972 s137]
 - iv. Jubilee Field Management Committee £1200 [LGA 1972 s133]
 - v. St Giles (churchyard) £150 [LGA 1972 s214]
 - vi. Hillesley Baptist Burial Ground Trust £50 [LGA 1972 s214]
 - vii. Citizens Advice Bureau £50 [LGA 1972 s144]
 - viii. Hillesley Happenings £20 [LGA 1972 s142]

9. Parish Plan

- a. SDC have awarded a grant of £750 for 2010/2011 towards cost of developing the Parish Plan
- b. Initial drop-in event to be on Saturday 16th January at The Fleece from 10am. Set-up at 9am, briefing from Angela Burlow (GRCC) 9.30am. All Councillors requested to attend briefing with a rota for morning. Details to be finalised at next meeting.
- c. An invitation leaflet to be distributed by hand. Councillor Harlow to draft and circulate. Clerk to print ready for distribution after next meeting. RH
Clerk
- d. Chairman to continue liaison with The Fleece. Chair
- e. Expressions of interest from individual parishioners noted.

10. Highways, Footpaths and Waterways

- a. Report of footpath LHT19/1 (Day House Lane to Dark Lane) stile at Day House Lane end is inaccessible. Clerk
- b. Report of grass and hedge-clippings left at village end of LHT112/1 (Dark Lane) Clerk
- c. Report of gate across bridleway LHT59/1 (Old London Road) has been broken and is a hazard. Clerk
- d. Drainage gullies on Hawkesbury Road have not been cleared. Cllr Cordwell to take up with Gloucestershire Highways.
- e. Footpath sign at lower end of Coombes has lost sign.
- f. Footpath sign at Corn Mill is obscured.

11. County and District Councillor Reports

County Council

Vale of Berkeley School. Following the Badman Report, the County Council's Cabinet member for Schools is consulting on two options: to close the school with effect from 1st

September 2010 by not admitting pupils to Year 7 and relocating pupils in Years 8 to 10; or to form a hard federation between the Vale of Berkeley College and a strong neighbouring school such as either KLB or Rednock. Either of these options is very likely to impact on KLB. A joint meeting between the governors of the three schools is to take place in January

Community Transport Schemes. The web address for the on-line petition to the Prime Minister on the subject of bus passes being eligible on community transport is: <http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/commtransport/>. It runs until 26th April.

Rural Issues. Cllr Cordwell has been elected to the national Local Government Association's Rural Policy Review Group. The group is essentially to advise the LGA on the policies it should adopt to maintain services to rural areas – post offices, public transport and concessionary fares, availability of broadband, affordable housing, fuel poverty particularly for those beyond the gas network, conversion of farm buildings and so on and to avoid centralisation of services like hospitals.

District Council:

A new leader of Council elected. The forming of a splinter group has resulted in a council majority of three. There is on-going discussion on planning policy.

12. Training

Noted that GAPTC newsletter and training calendar available.

13. Open Session

The following issues were raised and noted:

- a. SDC has issue guidance on the use of wood burning stoves
- b. Continue concern over large lorries using local roads
- c. Possible development site adjacent to The Deans is outside village envelop
- d. Excavations at Upper Kilcote Farm rumoured to be for a swimming pool.
- e. Part switch-off (midnight to 5am) of some street lights has been initiated.

14. Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting: Wednesday, 6th January, Hopkins Hall, Hillesley at 7.30pm.

15. Meeting closed at 9.25 pm

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

Signed:

Date: