Minutes of the Allington Parish Council meeting on 5th January 2010 Held at the Boscombe and District Social Club

Present were – Cllr M Brunton, Cllr P Smith, Cllr G Barnes, Cllr Matt Smith, Cllr Terry Turner, Cllr R.Kitson and Mrs J Tier (Parish Clerk)					
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	he meeting Cllr Brunton asked the public if they had any questions or comments prior to opening the meeting. There were none, and the meeting duly opened at 7.30pm				
1	To receive apologies Apologies received from Cllr Borrett and Cllr J.Smale				
2	Declarations of Interest None				
3	Minutes				
	A copy of the minutes for the last meeting held on 24 th November 2009 were submitted and approved and duly signed by Cllr Brunton. Cllr Turner proposed the acceptance and Cllr Smith seconded.				
4	Matters Arising				
	Risk Assessment - Cllr Brunton advised the Parish Council that he had made the changes to the risk assessment document that he had initiated (from the comments received by the Parish Councillors) and produced the revised document for their perusal. If no more amendments are received by w/e 8 th January 2010 the clerk will file the document with the Parish Council records. Cemetery – Cllr Turner advised that he would look into the problem of the overhanging tree at the Boscombe Burial ground and report back to the Parish Council.				
	The clerk advised that she had contacted Newman's funeral directors regarding the grave that had 'sunk'. They had not appeared to have corrected this problem so the clerk will contact them again.				
	SCAP Meeting – Cllr Brunton reported on the SCAP meeting that he had attended. The SCAP meeting was futile in not having a strategic plan / financial budget and was only attended by six Parish Councils. The SCAP has a prerequisite for a Community plan for all 22 Parishes (which are split into 6 groups) but this is dependant on each Parish Council having a Parish Plan and only 9 Parish's have plans at the present time. A general discussion then ensued as to the merits of being part of the SCAP and whether a new Community Area Partnership should be formed from the Bourne Valley Alliance. The Parish Council decided to take a 'watching brief' on future SCAP meetings with view to withdrawing its support at a later date if the SCAP meetings are not deemed as being effective or relevant to the requirements of the Parish Council.	Clerk			

5 Pastoral Measure 1983 – Allington Church closure

Cllr Brunton read out the official letter that had been received from The Church of England regarding the closure of 'Church of St. John the Baptist Allington', on 1st February 2010.

Cllr Brunton will contact the Steering Committee to advise them of this and email Vanda Perrett to ensure that the closure of the Church is communicated to all relevant parties.

Cllr Brunton

6 Amesbury Area Board update

Cllr Barnes advised the Community Speed watch was discussed at the Area Board and the police were not in favour of people using the Speed watch system in Parishes other than their own.

7 Discuss and Vote on budget and Precept figures for 2010 and planned donations to local charities.

The Councillors discussed the Precept for the forthcoming year and whether the Precept should be increase. The clerk produced the Budget figures for the next year for the Councillors to discuss. The general consensus was to increase the precept by a figure of £250.00 which is to be added to the Sinking Fund. This was proposed by Cllr Brunton and Seconded by Cllr Turner. Cllr Kitson abstained as he is moving away from the area.

8 Discuss Planning Applications - HPA Redevelopment of Porton Down Site.

Cllr Brunton reported on the visit from the HPA to the Bourne Valley Alliance meeting and issued the Councillors with documentation on the proposed redevelopment at Porton Down from that meeting. The plans highlighted the new building at Porton Down and the proposed new Science Park. The new development will take an estimated 10-12 years and the Bourne Valley Alliance advised the HPA of the need of transparency in all the redevelopment work. There will be an impact on traffic with lorries and new traffic lights and it was suggested that the HPA visit all relevant Parish's to discuss the redevelopment plan with them. Whilst the site will have little / no visual impact on the surrounding Parish's it will have an effect on the surrounding infrastructure.

9 Correspondence

The clerk had received an email from the clerk at Wilton Parish Council with details of Speed limit wheelie bin stickers that have been adopted by many Parish Councils. Cllr Brunton suggested this might be of interest to the Steering group and this will be passed onto them.

A general correspondence file and the Core Strategy document was made available for the Parish Councillors perusal.

An email was received from the Clerk at Pitton and Farley regarding a Councillor Training seminar to be held locally. The Clerk will make a further inquiry regarding this Seminar with a view to attending with Cllr Matt Smith.

10 Monthly Financial Report

Cllr Brunton asked the Councillors to look at the monthly financial spreadsheet for approval and sign cheques. Cllr Kitson proposed acceptance of the report and this was seconded by Cllr Barnes. All Councillors were in favour.

Cheques & Standing Orders were agreed as follows:

JT44	05.01.10	503	Jane Tier Boscombe Social	Clerk wages Nov- Dec	(214.66)
JT45	05.01.10	504	Club	October - November Social Club	(30.00)
JT46	05.10.10	506	Jane Tier	BVA PC Secretary	(26.14)

11 Agree date of next meeting

The date of the next Allington and Boscombe Parish Council meeting is 9th February 2010 at the Boscombe and District Social Club at 7.30pm

12 AOB

Cllr Kitson advised that he had asked some young people in the Play area to leave over the Christmas period due to them drinking alcohol. Cllr Brunton advised that He would contact Shona Maycock regarding this matter.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm