

**Minutes of the Allington Parish Council meeting on 9th February 2010**  
**Held at the Boscombe and District Social Club**

<p><b>Present were – Cllr M Brunton, Cllr G Barnes, Cllr Matt Smith, Cllr Terry Turner, Cllr Borrett, Cllr R.Kitson and Mrs J Tier ( Parish Clerk)</b></p> <p><b>3 Members of the Public</b>  <b>Cllr Mike Hewitt</b>  <b>Cllr John Smale</b>  <b>Karen Linaker, Amesbury Community Area Manager</b>  Prior to the meeting Cllr Brunton asked the public if they had any questions or comments prior to opening the meeting, there were none. Cllr Brunton then introduced Karen Linaker who is the Amesbury Community Area Manager. Karen explained her role as primarily sorting out local issues and acting as an interface between the Community Area Partnerships which are seen as the ‘proactive arm’ of the Area Boards. Karen then briefly discussed the aims of the Community Area partnership to bring communities together to highlight and deal with local issues / problems such as health, housing, anti-social behaviour and work with the Area Boards. Karen advised there will be several projects / seminars to raise the profile of SCAP in the forthcoming months.</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p><b>1 To receive apologies</b>  Apologies received from Cllr Peter Smith</p>	
<p><b>2 Declarations of Interest</b>  None</p>	
<p><b>3 Minutes</b></p> <p>A copy of the minutes for the last meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were submitted and approved and duly signed by Cllr Brunton. Cllr Turner proposed the acceptance and Cllr Kitson seconded.</p>	
<p><b>4 Matters Arising</b>  <b>Play Area –</b> Cllr Brunton advised the Council that he had reported the problem of drinking and anti-social behaviour to the local police.  <b>HPA –</b> Cllr Brunton read out an email that had been received from Tony Atkinson (BVAPC) regarding the potential closure of HPA at Porton Down and its likely effect on the local economy.  An email from Robert Key was also read out stating the potential closure of HPA would still require ministerial approval.  <b>Cemetery Wall</b>  Cllr Turner reported on the cemetery wall that was in need of urgent repair. The wall was erected by Wiltshire Council and ownership (and therefore maintenance) was unclear. The estimated cost of repair is £12,000 - £14,000 and the Parish Council were in agreement they do not have funds to cover the cost of repair.  Cllr Brunton suggested a letter should be sent to George Baton (WC Highways) / Robert Key (MP) asking for assistance and clarification of ownership as a matter of emergency as the wall could collapse onto the A338 at any point and cause an accident.</p>	

5	<p><b>BVA and SCAP Meeting</b> – Cllr Brunton reported on the recent BVA and SCAP meetings. The SCAP meeting had still not agreed its structure or voting power and Cllr Brunton suggested the Parish Council continue with its ‘watching brief’ until further notice.</p> <p>The BVA meeting discussed the repairs to local roads and infilling of pot-holes. The Porton range road is due to re-open on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The BVA also discussed SCAP and planned to monitor their business and financial plans that are to be presented to Area Board in the next six months.</p>																																					
6	<p><b>BVA – LINK SCHEME</b></p> <p>Cllr Brunton reported on the donation requested by the Bourne Valley Link Scheme. The Link Scheme is heavily reliant on donations and a recent discussion at the BVA meeting suggested the Parish Councils donate 2.5% of their precept to the Link Scheme. The Parish Council discussed this matter and decided to donate £190 (approx 2.5% of precept) for 2010 and felt that the amount should be reviewed each year according to the particular monetary needs and commitments of the Parish Council (ie. no fixed rate). This was proposed by Cllr Brunton and seconded by Cllr Kitson.</p>																																					
7	<p><b>Planning Application S/2010/63/FULL</b> The Parish Councillors discussed this application and had no objections</p>																																					
8	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>The ROSPA report was reviewed by the Parish Council and there were no HIGH RISK Recommendations. Cllr Kitson will review the report and attend to the outstanding LOW RISK matters that were noted in the report.</p> <p>A letter was received from Wiltshire Council requesting the exact locations of Grit bins in Allington. Cllr Borrett completed the documentation. Cllr Turner then requested two more grit bins at strategic points in the village and the clerk will look into the matter</p>	(Action Clerk).																																				
9	<p><b>Monthly Financial Report</b></p> <p>Cllr Brunton asked Councillors to look at the monthly financial spreadsheet for approval and sign cheques. Cllr Brunton proposed acceptance of the report and this was seconded by Cllr Turner. All Councillors were in favour.</p> <p>Cheques &amp; Standing Orders were agreed as follows:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="252 1541 1406 1749"> <tr> <td>JT47</td> <td>05.01.10</td> <td>505</td> <td>Rospa</td> <td>Play area</td> <td>(86.25)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JT48</td> <td>14.01.10</td> <td></td> <td>Wiltshire Council</td> <td>R2 Refund</td> <td>291.95</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JT49</td> <td>26.01.10</td> <td>S/O</td> <td>Mr T Services</td> <td>Grass Maint January</td> <td>(249.16)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JT50</td> <td>09.02.10</td> <td>507</td> <td>Mr T Services</td> <td>Playpark Hedge</td> <td>(67.50)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JT51</td> <td>09.02.10</td> <td>508</td> <td>Jane Tier</td> <td>Clerk wages January</td> <td>(119.84)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JT52</td> <td>09.02.10</td> <td>509</td> <td>M.Hewitt</td> <td>Fix and replace two cemetery gate posts</td> <td>(340.00)</td> </tr> </table>	JT47	05.01.10	505	Rospa	Play area	(86.25)	JT48	14.01.10		Wiltshire Council	R2 Refund	291.95	JT49	26.01.10	S/O	Mr T Services	Grass Maint January	(249.16)	JT50	09.02.10	507	Mr T Services	Playpark Hedge	(67.50)	JT51	09.02.10	508	Jane Tier	Clerk wages January	(119.84)	JT52	09.02.10	509	M.Hewitt	Fix and replace two cemetery gate posts	(340.00)	
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10	<p><b>Agree date of next meeting</b></p> <p>The date of the next Allington and Boscombe Parish Council meeting is 9<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at the Boscombe and District Social Club at 7.30pm</p>																																					

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Cllr Kitson advised the surface of the play area was muddy / slippery due to the bad weather and he would monitor this.

Cllr Matt Smith and Cllr Kitson will go out to tender for next year's village grass-cutting contract and have an outline plan/costings for the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm