



- During the coming week work will start on the new recreation equipment: Wire Way/Youth Shelter/Seesaw/Springboard. Grant applications for all items had been submitted
- Dog bins to be installed a)Joyces Road nrA417 b)Junct Chapel/Cottage road
- PC Holder is not retiring yet – stressed how lucky we are to have him
- Informed Council that the malicious phone calls to elderly persons had stopped – a 10 year old being the alleged culprit. The Council were lawfully unable to provide financial support to help block nuisance calls and it was hoped that a village charity could help.

There followed a discussion initiated by Cllr Gill regarding the new dog bins and the emptying of these and other litter bins especially in Van Diemens. Clerk stated that this had always been a problem as the Friday litter collection is supposed to empty litter bins but offer excuses that they don't always know where they are and the dog bins are emptied by District Council contractors. Under the new Environmental Act 2005 we as a Parish Council have the ability to fine people on the spot for litter, dog mess and graffiti. Cllr Gill said that perhaps we should have a Dog Warden and should invite applications

Cllr Gill was also concerned about speeding vehicles and thought that the village entrances should be defined clearly i.e. as in Faringdon or Bampton in hope that this would slow vehicles. While Council agreed that speeding on the A417 was a problem lower or extending limits was not within our remit. The Clerk stated that this problem had been approached several times and both Highways and Police have seen no reason or excuse to change existing restrictions.

#### **6/07/05 Formation of Planning Committee/Finance (Bills) Committee**

The Clerk explained that due to the increased pressure placed upon the District Council to deal with applications within a statutory period this places an onus on this Council to notify their observations within 21 days. Under our present system this is not possible and as we near quality council status and obviously wish to have input into planning this is the way forward. Clerk suggests that Bills committee consists of the same members in order that the committee is able to meet at the same time. This committee will allow discussion of payments rather than the Clerk seeking out any Councillor who happens to be available.

Council agreed with the Clerk and also that the committee would only be called when there were agenda items. A report would be produced for full council approval at the next council meeting

#### **7/07/05 Membership of Planning and Finance(Bills) Committees**

The Following Councillors to be members of the committees:

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Cllr.P.G.McMorrow Cllr.S.Bambury Cllr.P.Gill

Cllr.B.Burls Cllr.G.Hughes Cllr Mrs.G.McMorrow

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.Mrs.G.McMORROW  
SECONDED BY Cllr.P.G.McMORROW

IT WAS RESOLVED that the above named Councillors be members of the Planning and Finance(Bills) committees. It was further resolved that these councillors be signatories for cheques signed on behalf of the Stanford in the Vale Parish Council (2 Councillors to sign)

#### **8/07/05 Parish Council Signing mandate Lloyds TSB Wantage**

Following the resolutions 6/07/05 and 7/07/05 the nominated Councillors signed the Mandate

### 9/07/05 Correspondence

- a) Nat.Assoc of Local Councils – Details of Bursary Training grant - Noted
- b) DEFRA – Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 - Noted
- c) VWHDC – Details of sports activities they wish to stage in SIV – Permitted
- d) VWHDC – Amenity Tree planting – Council to decide where and what
- e) VWHDC – Hawthorn Hedge Forest Grove – Application bt DW Homes to cut back hawthorn hedge for play area space. In line with previous attempts to cut this designated *ancient hedge* Clerk has informed VWHDC that Council object
- f) OCC – Payment for grass verge maintenance – increase from previous years
- g) OALC – Training days for councillors – noted
- h) ORCC – Parish Plans grants – noted
- i) Indep Advice Centre – AGM – Noted
- j) Stanford Playgroup – Seeking permission to erect fence at Village Hall – Council were not entirely happy and thought that there could be alternatives. Councillor Mrs McMorrow to visit site

### 10/07/05 Planning applications

Decisions of Delegation Committee:

**A)**STA/19108 Stanford Paper Shop – Installation of roller Shutter – No objections

**B)**STA/7904/32 – Plot B White Horse Business Park – Erection of 4 Industrial units

Not approved

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STA/8716/5 LB Cox's Hall – Erection of garden store and new gate in garden wall  
 STA/14203/2 2 Bedlam Cotts Gainfield – Erection of double garage

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STA/19133 6 Manor Green – Single storey front extension inc porch and enlarge existing lounge

STA/4196/26 29 High St – First Floor extension

STA/8235/6 26 High St – Erection of a single dwelling

STA/19173 1 Manor Green – Erection of single storey rear extension

STA/19179 Land off Horsecroft – Construction of an all weather gallop – There was Discussion regarding access to this area

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr BAMBURY

SECONDED BY Cllr GILL

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT there were no objections to the applications

### 11/07/05 To approve the Monthly Statement of accounts

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.BAMBURY

SECONDED BY Cllr Mrs.G.McMORROW

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Monthly Statement of Accounts be approved

**12/07/05 To authorise accounts for payment**

As per list provided including items approved by Delegation committee

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr GILL  
 SECONDED BY Cllr BAMBURY  
 IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be paid

**13/07/05 Annual accounts 2004/05**

On the proviso that due to the previous accounts difficulties and that this could affect the opening balances

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr GILL  
 SECONDED BY Cllr BAMBURY  
 IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be accepted subject to auditor changes

**14/07/05 Report of District Councillor**

Cllr Sharp stated that County Councillor Tilley was unable to attend due to being at a conference, but she wished to attend in future when she could. He gave details of various committees that she was a member of.

The Councillor talked about his work – Local Plan objections – the local grants committee with which he was disappointed at the level of grants for this area including cleaning – the scrutiny committee. Talked about speeding and limits and the response to the 50mph application for Shellingford crossroads.

Chairman thanked Cllr Sharp for his continued help within the village for grass cutting and search for a new mower

**15/07/05 Recreation and Leisure**

Cllr Gill reported

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- Dog Fouling and the need to appoint a Dog Warden
- The recreation ground is in good condition but the perimeter of the MUGA needs attention (*Strimming – trimmer still in for repair Clerk to liase with D.Rolls regarding purchase of new*) Bolts on fence need attention
- Regular checks by committee needed to ensure that all areas of the village were in good order
- Tennis and nets. Rota needed for August. Cllr to talk to other members
- Playing Fields Officer advises use of Red oxide paint on skate ramps. Council advises use of goggles and gloves during application
- Fearless ramps – initial contact has left and he had offered generous discounts on future purchases. Cllr. Gill to contact him and maybe obtain other quotes

**16/07/05 Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2005

