DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING ON 6th DECEMBER 2006

Draft Minutes of the Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Area (2) Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 18th October 2006 at 7.00 p.m. in St. Michaels & All Angels Church Hall, Lyneham.

Present:

Councillor M.P. Hatton - Chair

Councillors: A.M. Bucknell, H.M. Dixon, K.A. Dixon, G.R. Greenaway, P.S. Roberts,

S.R. Walls, C. Wannell and J. Webb

County, Town and Parish Council Representatives:

Cllr V. Stubbings Broad Town Parish Council
Cllr B. Attfield Cricklade Town Council
Cllr I. Back Cricklade Town Council
Cllr D. Tetlow Cricklade Town Council
Cllr C. Wilce Cricklade Town Council

Officers Present:

A. Davies (Strategic Manager Planning Services), W. Oulton (Policy & Democratic Services Officer) and S. Parker (Community Partnerships Officer).

CR24. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Ashton Keynes Parish Council, Tockenham Parish Council, Councillor D. Avenell of Cricklade Town Councilor and from Councillors M.E.M. Groom, N.T. Maidment, J.M. Read and O.J. Thomas.

CR25. Public Questions/Receipt of Petitions

(A) Councillor D. Tetlow of Cricklade Town Council – Licensing Act 2003

Councillor D. Tetlow in his capacity as a representative of the Cricklade Town Hall highlighted the problem of Community Facilities without full drinks licenses. Under the 2003 Act the Village Hall had 12 Temporary Event Notices (TENs) to enable hirers of the hall to serve alcohol at their events. 12 notices had been used by May of this year. This was having a negative impact on bookings and thus on income for the Hall. The situation was more flexible under the previous act where occasional permissions were granted

Councillor D. Tetlow wanted to know if other Community Halls had faced similar problems and whether the District Council as the Licensing Authority could lobby the Government to amend the legislation to improve the situation for Community Halls.

Councillor A.M. Bucknell as Chair of the Licensing Committee responded that the picture across the District and that some Community Halls had opted to apply to become fully licensed.



The Chairman Councillor M. Hatton stated the issues raised in this question would be subject to a report at the December meeting of the Cricklade & Wootton Bassett Area (2) Committee.

(B) Councillor C. Wilce of Cricklade Town Council – Parking Enforcement Councillor C. Wilce stated that some parking tickets had been given to people using the car park in Cricklade because they had not parked in the bays correctly. He was concerned that this action was over zealous and that the warning signs in the car park were not sited in a prominent position and were contradictory.

He asked if this issue could be raised with the Lead Member and parking manager and whether the allocation of parking provision for Cricklade, which he stated was lower than for other Towns in the District, could be reviewed.

The Chairman stated that the concerns and questions would put to the Lead Member for response.

(C) Councillor C. Wilce of Cricklade Town Council - Refuse Collection

Councillor C. Wilce expressed concern that collection of domestic refuse in North Walls was not consistent and asked what could be done to rectify the situation.

The Chairman stated that a review of the rounds had been undertaken and that problems such as access would be identified and addressed. The Chairman also stated that the question would be put to the Lead Member for response.

(D) Councillor C. Wilce of Cricklade Town Council – Leisure Provision

Councillor C. Wilce expressed concern that review had been delayed and asked what the timetable for consultation would be?

The Chairman stated that the question would be put to the Lead Member for response.

CR26. Minutes

Consideration was given to the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th July 2006 (circulated with the agenda).

Resolved that the Minutes of the Meetings held on the 26th July 2006 be confirmed as a correct record.

CR27. Chairman's Announcements (if any)

The Chairman Announced that Will Oulton would be leaving the Council next month and wished him well for the future.

CR28. Declarations of Interest

The following declarations of interest were made:

Name	Item	Type of Interest	Nature of Interest	Action
Cllr A.M. Bucknell	Item 6 - Application from Great Western Community Forest	Personal	Involved with Great Western Community Forest	Remained in the chamber for consideration of that application
Cllr H.M. Dixon	Item 6 - Application from Great Western Community Forest	Personal	Involved with Great Western Community Forest	Remained in the chamber for consideration of that application

CR29. Area 2 Community Area Funding Distribution 2006/2006

Consideration was given to Report No. 6 (attached to the agenda) which informed Members of the 2006/07 Community Area Award Budget and asked Members to consider six applications seeking 2006/07 Community Area Award funding.

Resolved that the Committee agree funding distribution of the Area 2 Community Area Awards budget based on the agreed criteria for 2006/2007.

- (1) Cricklade Art Group Award £500 from the revenue budget towards the cost of exhibition equipment
- (2) Bradenstoke Bugle Award £545 from the capital budget towards the cost of a laser printer, conditional on the balance of funding being in place
- (3) Cricklade Historical Society Award £340 from the revenue budget towards the cost of computer monitors
- (4) Great Western Community Forest Award £2,652 from the revenue budget towards the costs of Wootton Bassett Forest Festival, conditional on the balance of funding
- (5) Wootton Bassett Memorial Hall Award £2,500 from the capital budget towards the replacement of windows, conditional on the balance of funding being in place
- (6) That the officers provide to a future meeting an analysis of the historical spread of funding to community facilities and that it be noted that report funding of facilities be included in the review of critieria.
- (7) Lydiard Millicent Pre-School Award £5,167 in principle from the capital budget towards the building of a new early years classroom, conditional on all appropriate planning permissions being granted and the balance of funding being in place
- (8) To invite a revised application for funding from the Bushton and Clyffe Pypard Village Hall Management Committee.

CR30. Community Plan Update

Councillor V. Stubbings gave a verbal update as Vice-Chair of the Northern Community Area Partnership as follows:

"Steering Group/AGM

Since the last Area 2 meeting in July, we have held a Steering Group meeting and our AGM. The Chair, Mollie Groom, was again re-elected as were Richard Pagett and Tom Pepperall as Vice-Chair and Treasurer respectively. The Steering Group has a 10 strong membership with representatives from both towns and also Purton, Broad Town, RAF Lyneham, and the Lydiards. Presentations were given on the Cricklade Country Way and on local transport issues.

NCAP has been involved with the current public consultation exercise around the Cricklade Country Way. In particular, it has given support for publicity around the whole exercise, including the (well-attended) public meeting on 17th October at Cricklade Town Hall and a meeting for the business community on 24th October at Cricklade Hotel and Country Club.

Along with other Community Partnerships in North Wiltshire, NCAP is taking part in a Learning and Development programme sponsored by the District and Country Councils and Community First.

Forthcoming Events

There is a Steering Group meeting on Tuesday, 7th November and there will be a Transport themed meeting led by Community First on Thursday, 23rd November at 7.30pm at Purton Bowls Pavilion to which all are welcome."

CR31. Spatial Planning Update

The Lead Member for Spatial Planning Councillor H.M. Dixon advised the committee that there had been a number of decisions taken at national level which have had implications on the content and delivery of the Local Development Framework. In addition, account has to be taken of the recent publication of the draft Regional Spatial Strategy and the work that is currently underway in preparation for the Examination in Public of that document in Spring 2007. For these reasons the content and timing of the Core Strategy Development Plan Document are currently being reviewed. As a result the programme will be revised and a new Local Development Scheme will be submitted for approval to the Secretary of State by the end of the year. The West Swindon action plan will be unaffected.

CR32. Outside Bodies

Representatives of the Leisure Centre advisory Committees stated that no meetings had taken place and echoed the sentiments of the questions raised by the public.

Resolved

- That the Cricklade & Wootton Bassett Area (2) Committee support and value the facilities in their community and are concerned to know the next steps in the process; and
- 2) That a special meeting of the Cricklade & Wootton Bassett Area(2) Committee be organised regarding leisure provision following

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the decision by the Executive and that all relevant stakeholders be invited to attend including user groups, employee representatives and the Lead Member.

The meeting finished at 8.20 pm
There were 8 members of the public present

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