

**Minutes of the Meeting of Selborne Parish Council held in
Blackmoor Village Hall on Wednesday 14th November 2007 at 7:30pm**

Present: Mrs. H Carter
Mr. P Dixon
Mr. N James
Mrs. A Boase
Mrs. A Luty
Mr. S Goater
Mr. T McMeekan
Mrs. M Barnfield
Mr. P Ravenscroft.
Mr. S Cabrol
Mr. D Ashcroft

Mrs. L Coney

Chair
Clerk

Also present were 3 members of the public and District Councillor Mrs. Comber (until 9:50pm)

Item 1 - Apologies for absence. Received from Cllr Mrs. Palmer.

On completion of item 1 the meeting recessed to allow members of the public to speak on any matter prior to the re-commencement of the meeting.

Item 2 – Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 10th October 2007.

With there being no amendments it was **AGREED** that these were accepted as a true record and signed accordingly.

Item 3 - Disclosure of Pecuniary and other interests.

The Chair reminded members who had an interest to disclose, in relation to any item included in the agenda for this meeting, that it was their duty to do so at the appropriate agenda item. (As required to be disclosed by Section 94(1) of the Local Government Act 1972; and in accordance with the Parish Councils Order 2001) Cllr Dixon declared a prejudicial interest in item 7. Cllr Mrs. Barnfield declared a personal interest in items relating to the Plestor.

Item 4 – Selborne Toilets. Brian Redwood was unable to attend so this item will be considered at the planning meeting on the 28th November.

Item 5– Reports of Sub Committees.

i) **Traffic.** – Minutes of the last meeting will be circulated shortly. The two main issues for discussion are parking on the Plestor and yellow lines on Gracious Street. The traffic committee suggested a two-hour waiting limit, with no return from 8am –6pm on the Plestor, except for resident permit holders. 4 permits are to be issued for use by the four residents who have no parking of their own. This is to be trialed for 6 months to see if and how it works. Mrs. Aston who was present said that the residents would prefer to have dedicated bays, which are reserved for residents parking only. The council said they could not agree to this as the Plestor parking is not just for the benefit of Plestor residents but also for the whole village and visitors. The purpose of the proposal is to prevent employees of businesses parking in those spaces all day. The issue of parking in general would be considered later on the agenda. It was agreed to get the permits and signage made up and also liaise with Highways to improve the signage to the existing public car park. With regard to Gracious Street it was agreed not to object to the changes to the proposal for yellow lines in Gracious Street. A resident had objected to Highways about the inclusion of the single yellow line on the southern side stating that it would remove 4 valuable parking spaces. In light of this objection Highways altered the proposal to remove the single yellow line and just create the double yellow lines on both sides at the top of Gracious Street and the disabled bay for Mrs Hartz. Cllr Mrs. Carter expressed her disappointment that although the traffic committee had taken the time to liaise with residents to reach agreement over the single yellow line, that the scheme has now been altered.

It had been agreed at the traffic meeting that the creation of a crossing point by the village hall would create a danger in the road. The clerk was asked to write to Tim Rouse to say that the crossing is not viable and to ask him to clarify what is to happen with the money from STAG.

Finally, the questionnaire has now been distributed to all houses and to date there has been around a 30% response.

ii) **The Plestor** - work is due to start on the 26th November and should be completed by the 21st December. Cllr Mrs. Carter will arrange a meeting with residents on Monday 19th at 7:00pm at The Selborne Arms to reconfirm the work to be done and discuss the timings.

iii) **Recreation Ground. Allotments and Play Area.** - The allotment meeting is on the 29th November and flyers have been sent to all residents. Separate letters have been sent to those who previously requested an allotment to confirm they still wish to go ahead. So far 15 replies have been received. The clerk stated that the results of the grant applications for the playground should be known before the

next meeting. Cllr James said he had spoken again to the Youth Club and they are happy for the council to proceed with the planning application for their bike track at the Recreation Ground.

iv) **Oaklands Farm – Jalsa Salana.** No report. The next meeting is on the 6th December.

v) **Selborne Brickworks Liaison Panel.** No meeting has been held. The next one scheduled for Monday 3rd December. However, Cllr Ravenscroft reported that last week 12 lorries had delivered top soil / sand to site and there are plans for a further 60 lorry loads planned for this week. Lesley Wells has been informed and has said that the site may lawfully be used for brick making. If materials are imported for the production of this it is ancillary to the lawful use of the site and therefore in planning terms they cannot prevent this. There is certainly a lot of movement on the site. However the clerk pointed out that EHDC licensing has told her that brick making cannot start until the operating licence has been transferred to the new owners. Finally Cllr Ravenscroft noted that the current appeal has been withdrawn.

vi) **Blackmoor Recycling Panel.** No report.

Item 6 – Matters arising from these and previous minutes.

- i) **Parish Plan.**
- ii) **Dr Yates letter to the Times. (See Appendix A)** It was agreed by all councillors that they supported the purport of Dr Yates letter to the Times, namely 20mph in villages and that through traffic should be kept on "A" roads. It was also confirmed that the council had decided not to sign Dr Yates letter to the Times as a body as some councillors, having considered the letter after the August PC meeting, deemed the content of the letter political and were not comfortable with it. Councillors who wished to sign did so as individuals, as indeed Cllr Mrs. Carter did.
- iii) **Footpath 29.** Cllr Mrs. Barnfield is currently drafting a letter to Rob Thompson at Rights of Way to request an explanation as to why it has taken so long to repair the bridge and reopen the path. Cllr Mrs. Comber asked the clerk to forward to councillors her e-mail from DEFRA regarding statutory obligations of authorities with regard to rights of way.
- iv) **Parking in Selborne. (See Appendix B)** It was decided that the traffic committee should form a working party to assess the way forward as this has become an important concern for villagers over the last few years. Cllr Mrs. Carter agreed to arrange a meeting with the businesses and tourist attractions in the village to get the ball rolling.

Item 7- Selborne War Memorial. Ownership and restoration works. (See Appendix C already sent to councillors via e-mail)

Cllr Dixon confirmed to the council that the PCC has to take ownership of the war memorial as, according to Mr. Oliver's research a Facility applied for was for the "erection in the Parish Churchyard of a war memorial cross". The Facility for authorising The War Memorial and Window was submitted by Selborne Church Council on 7/4/1920 to Bishop of Winchester and approved in August 1920. Thus ownership must remain with the church. The clerk was asked to write to Mr. Emerson to let him know this and to refer him to Cllr Dixon if he wished for further clarification. The clerk was also asked to add that the parish council would be happy to consider a grant towards funding the restoration works if required.

Item 8 - Forward Planning Strategy Group. Cllr Mrs. Barnfield's had suggested the creation of a group to look at the future of the parish longer term and the impact of outside influences such as A3 tunnel, Whitehill and Bordon redevelopment etc.. Cllr Ashcroft felt this was an excellent idea and that in particular he would like to see the group look at future highways issues and would also find out from Cllr Carew the date of the next Whitehill and Bordon Working group, so the parish council can be represented on it. Cllr Mrs. Comber suggested that this could form part of a parish plan and said she would like to see the group back Cllr Kemp Gees request for a feasibility study on the future of the B3006. Cllr Mrs. Carter said the council had already given their support for this proposal. It was AGREED that Cllr Mrs. Barnfield would organise the first meeting for the group and together with Cllrs Ashcroft, Palmer, Boase, Dixon and McMeekan would form the group with Cllr Mrs. Carter as an ex-officio member.

Item 9- Future Structure of the Parish. Councillors were each given two minutes to give their initial thoughts on this proposal and then to consider the requests made by Mr Selwyn, Mr Blyth and Mr Thompstone to call a public meeting on the subject.

Cllr Ravenscroft. – Felt the idea to break up the parish is a sound one but in order to be effective would require the redrawing of the maps, as they are purely historic. Plantation Way has no meaning for Blackmoor. The village of Selborne currently includes the Brickworks which should be in Blackmoor and the Southlands Industrial Estate which should be part of either Blackmoor or Oakhanger. Without these changes a split would cause confusion between parishes.

Cllr Mrs. Boase – was against the idea. She felt it result in loss of diversity and expertise, collective knowledge and history. It could result in reduced funding, overloading councillors and together the council has a wider picture. A split could result in a loss of impartiality. To her knowledge the idea of splitting the parish is not an issue in Blackmoor.

Cllr Mrs Luty. Agreed with Cllr Mrs. Boase and had nothing further to add.

Cllr McMeekan. Agreed with Cllr Mrs. Boase. He added that we would lose a lot of knowledge base and it would be best to remain as we are for now.

Cllr Goater. He stated that around 6 residents in Oakhanger who felt that they should have their own parish council so that they can own their own destiny had approached him. He said that The Local Government and Rating Act 1997 states that villages with more than 200 electors should have its own council. Three former parish councillors also support the idea. He felt that there would not be a

lack of expertise; there are many active people in the village. He stated that the Act requires that for a new parish to be created a petition of 20 electors is signed and then sent to the ODPM, which he is minded to do.

Cllr James. There has been a connection between the villages of Selborne, Blackmoor and Oakhanger for many years, particularly in relation to Blackmoor estate. In recent times that has become less of a significance, however there are still issues that affect the parish as a whole. The two main ones being the Selborne Brickworks and the traffic. Any decision made on either of these two issues affects all three villages to a greater or lesser extent. By having a council made up of all three villages, a decision can be made whereby the whole parish benefits.

The essential question to ask is 'Is there any reason to split the council in the first place?' and I personally don't think there is. In the short time I have been on the council, at no point have I thought that councillors have acted in any way other than to the benefit of residents.

I also believe that if we were to separate there is a possibility that we would end up being too inward thinking and that we would not consider how the other villages would be affected by our decisions. It is important to be a group with a strong collective voice where the best decisions are made using people's knowledge, expertise and experiences.

There would also be a lot of cost and general aggravation involved in splitting. Each council would have to employ a separate clerk, we would have to somehow separate the finances and there would probably be legal costs involved as well. We would spend so much time talking about the splitting of the council that we would not have time to discuss more important issues which cannot be good for local democracy.

To conclude I see no reason why the council should be split. We should be working as a unit where the councillors of all three villages should work, as they have been doing, for the benefit of the residents. We have too much to lose by having two or even three separate councils and doing so would be detrimental not just to the council but to the people of the parish.

Cllr Ashcroft. Commented that he is generally in agreement with Cllr Ravenscroft. However, he feels that it would need careful consideration with regard to the cost of a clerk and finance. The Bordon and Whitehill project could swamp Blackmoor, and is certainly more a concern for Blackmoor and Oakhanger than Selborne. The National Park will mean that Selborne will need more time and funding, so geographically and topographically it makes sense.

Cllr Dixon. Feels the decision should be made by villagers deciding whether to go it alone, not to be booted out by others. His overall feeling is that the bigger the parish the better.

Cllr Mrs. Barnfield. The parish has worked together historically and if it isn't broke don't fix it. We need to be heard in issues relating to the AONB and the National Park and the Bordon and Whitehill project is a massive challenge and together we have a bigger voice. Separate parishes would mean an increase in the cost of administration and she would certainly oppose a referendum as Selborne village has the bigger voice and would therefore determine the outcome. (54.3%, compared to Oakhanger 24.6% and Blackmoor 21.1%) She believes that councillors are not arrogant enough to feel that their village is the only one that counts and so we should remain as we are with the loudest voice so we can be truly effective.

Cllr Cabrol. Said that when he first joined the council he felt overwhelmed by the number of issues that are centred upon Selborne, but when considered rationally it is the largest village of the three and is bound to feature more prominently. Blackmoor and Oakhanger are smaller and thankfully has less issues. "Big decision are made at small meeting while small decision are made at big meetings." The planning and traffic committees seem to work well whilst full council is long and tiresome with Oakhanger and Blackmoor councillors feeling left out. However, we work well together and the collective knowledge and effort of 12 councillors must be better than 3 or 6. We all know the "If it ain't broke" saying, Selborne Parish isn't broken it just needs changing a bit. We should focus on finding a way for the existing parish to function better. If that doesn't work we still have the option of splitting in some way.

Cllr Mrs Palmer. As read by Cllr Mrs. Carter. Selborne Parish Council represents Selborne, Oakhanger and Blackmoor.

1. Options for change

Should the Parish Council be split, the possible options would be:

- Each of the three villages has its own Parish Council.
- Selborne + Blackmoor is one Parish Council; Oakhanger goes it alone.
- Selborne is independent; Blackmoor + Oakhanger form a new, separate, Parish Council.
- Selborne + Oakhanger are one Parish Council; Blackmoor goes it alone.

2. Matters for consideration

There are historical, physical, geological and local links between Selborne, Blackmoor and Oakhanger:

- The Priory and its community were situated half way between *Selborne and Oakhanger*. Their lives were entwined with both villages.
- Since the 1860s, *Blackmoor and Selborne* have been linked through Blackmoor Estate and its farming activities.
- Nowadays, there are on-going issues at Selborne Brickworks that affect *Blackmoor, Oakhanger and Selborne*.

It is difficult to separate the past, the present and the future from one another; arguably the best decisions are made when the past, the present and the future are not treated in isolation.

3. Questions to address

1. If the parish council were to split, how would each of the three villages benefit?
2. In what way(s) would each of the villages be better off if they were independent from each other?

3. How would the three villages co-ordinate their approaches and their formal responses to matters that affect and/or are common to each of them? e.g:

- Selborne Brickworks: Minerals & Waste applications, planning applications, appeals and enforcement issues;
- Highway issues in the sunken lanes between Selborne and Blackmoor, and Blackmoor and Oakhanger;
- Issues re and consultations from, for example, the MOD, the Environment Agency and Hampshire County Council **e.g. the current consultation on the Minerals & Waste Development Framework (consultation period ends 12 December 2007)**;
- Blackmoor Estate: activities at, and planning applications submitted by the Estate.
(NB Minette and Mandy declare an interest in matters that affect Blackmoor Estate)

4. Why would each village respond to such matters in a better way if they were to have individual parish councils, isolated from each other, rather than if they were to continue to work together as a single parish council ?

5. Why would it be better not to pool the collective knowledge, information and expertise of parish councillors from all three affected villages before formulating responses and/or reaching decisions?

6. Would each separate parish council be able to pay for a parish clerk?

7. In what other way(s) would separating the villages be in their individual and collective best interests?

8. Why are the present arrangements not conducive towards taking a holistic approach to all the villages?

9. Can each village be more effective over a wide range of issues if they have separate parish councils?

Arguably, if hiving off one or two of the villages from the others cannot be shown to be in the best interests of any of the villages then all three would be the losers. They would become isolated from one another instead of a triumvirate team with the individual and collective best interests of each village at heart. Splitting into smaller units would also pull in the opposite direction from the way in which everything is moving generally these days.

The Parish Council currently represents all three villages. Any individual councillor living in one village has the right and the responsibility to speak up on behalf of one of the other villages to defend it, either on an issue upon which the Parish Council is agreed or if he or she believes something to be right.

As far as I know, there is no evidence that any councillor, from whichever village, thinks or acts in any other way than to do his or her best for all three villages within the parish. None of us is quite so small-minded and we all of us try at all times to take a holistic approach.

A Parish Council deals with many issues. Traffic is only one of them. Concerns about traffic through Selborne should not obscure all the other issues that form part of the equation.

All matters need to be taken into very careful consideration before any decision to split the Council is made.

Cllr Mrs. Carter. Said she was very much on the fence as it is up to what the public wants but she was very concerned that it looks from Cllr Goater's speech that a group of only 20 can make a decision for the whole village. She feels it very important that anyone making the decision hears all sides of the argument. She very much feels that as it is Selborne Parish, Selborne cannot leave and so it is up to Oakhanger or Blackmoor to opt out if they so wish, not up to Selborne to throw them out.

Cllr Cabrol asked why if the people of Oakhanger are so keen why have they not come to the meeting? Mr Blyth asked what the response was to his request for a public meeting. It was felt that this was not appropriate at this stage, as it has been brought to our attention by Cllr Goater that there is a mechanism in place for members of the parish to initiate this. We do not want to create a rift that will force the parish council into disintegrating itself. The clerk was asked to ascertain the formal process of splitting the parish to see where to go next with this. It is important that if people have concerns with the way the council is run that they come to us with their concerns.

This will be placed on the agenda for January to give councillors time to reflect and to allow councillors to talk to villagers. Cllr Mrs.

Carter stated that people have to be clear that you cannot just opt out and then opt back in again; it would be a permanent split.

Mrs Aston said it is difficult to know what is going on in the parish, as people cannot find out what is happening and maybe did not know that this has been raised. The chairman replied that the agendas and minutes are posted on the Internet and notice boards and minutes are put in the shop and pub and a report is made to the parish magazine.

Item 10 - District councillors Report.

Cllr Mrs Comber reported that the new code of conduct is very interesting and has changed things to enable councillors to speak at meetings even if they have an interest in an item. She also reported having a meeting with the procurement officer at EHDC (Bill Price) to discuss joining together with other district councils to discuss bulk buying.

Item 11 – Finance

a) The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Councils current financial position as of Monday 12th November 2007 was

i) Lloyds Account	£1,860.91cr
ii) Alliance & Leicester Account	£43,352.69cr

b) It was agreed that the following payments which had been requested since the last meeting be **APPROVED**:

i)	£ Xxx.xx Mrs. L Coney (Clerks wages Oct)
ii)	£45.19 Viking Direct – (Stationary)
iii)	£57.70 Intwood Consultants (Website renewal)
iv)	£74.37 Mrs. L Coney (Clerks Expenses Oct)
v)	£21.40 Cllr Dixon (Questionnaire Expenses)

The clerk also read out the quote from Red Lane for the creation of the allotments at both sites as she had been let down by the probation service. It was agreed that this quote was too expensive and Cllr Ashcroft agreed to speak to local contractors to obtain further quotes. The clerk also reported that she had received correspondence from the executors of the estate of the Edgar family, who own land in Selborne. Back in 1975 they leased the land at Goslings Croft (where the allotments are going) to EHDC who then sublet it to the parish council. Mr. Edgar died in 1990 and no one claimed ownership of the land, it therefore fell to the parish council who claimed ownership and maintained it ever since. EHDC confirmed to the clerk in 2005 that their records stated that Selborne Parish Council owned the land.

However, the clerk could not find any documentary evidence that the parish council were official owners when she was registering the parish council's lands with land registry in 2005 and therefore in 2006 she looked to register the land as a village green with Hampshire County Council to safeguard the future status of the land. Registration was not possible though as they needed the landowners signature and it was explained that the landowner had died and the land came to the parish council as there was no known owner. The council's solicitors advised us at this time to carry on maintaining and using the land for another 14 months until December 2008 when Selborne Parish Council could legally take ownership for the village (with the correct paperwork!) - although if anyone else claimed it in the meantime the history of the site would favour the parish councils claim over any other.

However, Mrs. Edgar has now passed away and the estate is in the hand of the executors and they have realised that they had forgotten about this piece of land for many years. They understand that the parish council have been maintaining it and using it and from the conversation the clerk has had with their property solicitors this morning there would be no immediate plans to change this, indeed he is suggesting to them that they gift it to the Parish Council but to start with they will have registered it as theirs to satisfy the executors. The clerk has told them of the plans for the allotments and a new play area which has been passed to the family. In light of this it is suggested to proceed with the allotments as previously agreed but limit the spend at Goslings until the paperwork is resolved which the solicitor thinks will be relatively quickly as he understands that the council wishes to secure the long term future of the allotments as soon as possible.

c) Precept and Budget 2008/09. The clerk presented councillors with the revised budget for 2007/08 and the proposed budget for 2008/09. (See Appendix D) After discussion it was **AGREED** to approve the budget for 2008/09 and to approve the precept request to EHDC.

Item 12 – Correspondence. The Clerk listed in the agenda all items of paper correspondence received since the last meeting.

Item 13 – Any Other Business. In accordance with Local Council Administration there will be no resolution made on matters arising from this item. If action is required the matter will be placed upon a future agenda.

The clerk was asked to inform Alan Todd that the new verges in Latchford Lane have been damaged already. The clerk was also asked to write to Richard Hoare to thank him for undertaking the work.

The clerk was also asked to inform enforcement that lorries have been parking overnight on the common at Oakhanger

The clerk was also asked to write to the department of transport regarding lorries coming of the A3 at Ham Barn and coming through Selborne. The clerk reported on the same subject that PC Warwick had stopped 18 lorries last week and given tickets to 6 who were using the B3006 illegally.

Item 14– Date and Place of next meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th December at Selborne Village Hall at 8:00pm

The meeting closed at 9:40pm

Date.....

Chairman.....

Appendix A Request from Dr Yates

At the September meeting on the Parish Council I read the draft letter I was sending to the Times. Hayley as Chairman asked the councillors individually whether they agreed with the letter, asking that the speed limit in Selborne and other villages be 20mph and that through traffic be encouraged onto A roads. All the councillors agreed with the letter, but you tell me that on reflection two of the councillors withdrew their support because they considered the letter political. In the minutes of that meeting this is not reported. Simply that Hayley was prepared to sign as an individual. Some nine councillors were present so if two withdrew support there was still an overwhelming majority for signature. May I ask therefore that at the November meeting the purport of the letter, namely 20mph in villages and through traffic on A roads, be voted upon by the councillors and recorded.

Appendix B. Request from Mrs. Aston.

Mrs. Aston has written to the parish council (01.11.07) requesting that:

- 1) Plestor Parking bays be for Plestor residents only.

- 2) Gracious Street parking remains restricted only by the replacement of the white line at the junction with the B3006, so none of the current parking is lost.
- 3) A study is undertaken of how businesses and institutions in the village can increase their parking provision and where coaches can park away from the high street.

Appendix C Request from David Emmerson regarding THE SELBORNE WAR MEMORIAL

History

The Selborne War Memorial was erected in 1921 on land belonging to St Mary's Church, with money raised by public subscription. It was unveiled by the then Earl Selborne and was listed as a Grade 2 structure in 2005. Unusually, the Memorial only records the names of those people from Selborne who lost their lives in World War One. There is no recorded 'owner' of the Memorial as far as I can determine. Regrettably, the Memorial is now in a poor state of repair and at the very least requires cleaning and some repairs.

Purpose

The aim of this note is to propose a solution to the ownership issue (vital if grants for repairs are to be obtained), describe the condition of the memorial, and to suggest a way forward to both renovate and update the memorial so that it also records those from Selborne who were killed in World War Two. A rough estimate of likely cost is also included, plus a review of possible sources of funding.

Ownership

It is not clear who owns the Memorial. Newspaper articles covering the unveiling, and perusal of the records held in the Winchester Records Office, identify the informal committee set up to carry the project forward. A Parish Councillor appears to have been a sleeping member of the Committee, but there is no record of the Council making a donation. No suggestion of long-term ownership can be found.

If grants are to be obtained for any work required, then a 'reputable' organisation needs to adopt the Memorial. This is usually the local Council but in a minority of cases the local Church accepts responsibility. Enquiries suggest that either organisation would be able to reclaim VAT. A case can be made for either, but the clinching factor for me is that the Memorial was funded by public subscription from within the village. Given that the Parish Council represents the population of Selborne, it seems appropriate that the Parish Council should take the Memorial under its wing.

Recommendation: Selborne Parish Council accepts ownership of the Memorial, but with the assurance of support from the Selborne PCC.

Condition

- The Memorial has suffered some subsidence over the years. This is not considered to be dangerous and may have stabilised. Underpinning would be expensive (circa £3000) and there is a strong possibility that any work would interfere with ancient burials with all the consequences that this would bring.
- The Memorial is very dirty and has collected an impressive array of natural growth over the years. This is now damaging the stonework and makes the general inscription hard to read. The grouting is in a poor state of repair and water ingress is harming the structure.
- The 14 ft stone shaft of the Memorial surrounds a central metal pole that provides strength and stability. Small splits to the side of the shaft indicate that the current pole is rusting and that it must be replaced.
- The current three copper plaques inscribed with the names of those who lost their lives in World War One need to be cleaned and the names of those lost in World War Two need to be added.

A Way Forward

- Accept the current subsidence but monitor the structure for any further movement through annual inspections.
- Arrange for professional cleaning and repair to the stone and grouting defects.
- Arrange for the replacement of the internal metal rod by a stainless steel pole.
- Add two additional copper plaques engraved with the names of the 11 Selborne residents who were killed in World War Two. Add "1939 – 1945" to the general carved inscription just below the current "1914 – 1918".

Costs and Funding Sources

Quotes already obtained suggest that the cleaning and repair work is likely to cost in the region of £2000. The additional stone carving and new engraved copper plaques could cost around £1000 (to be confirmed).

The funding required from public subscription should be relatively small as a number of grants should be available. The War Memorials Trust offers up to 50% of the cost of cleaning and repair, EHDC should also make a grant of up to £1000 and the Parish Council would hopefully offer some funding. The remainder would have to be raised locally, and it would be surprising if this were to be a problem.

The Mechanics

- Obtain quotes for the work required. This should be a straightforward matter.
- Obtain permission through the EHDC Conservation Officer for the changes proposed.
- Apply for grants to the War Memorial Trust and EHDC

- Raise additional funds locally.

The 'owner' would be consulted at each stage of the evolving project that would take some months to complete.

Management

If the basis of this note is accepted, the author is prepared to act as the agent of the owner to make it all happen, if that would help.

Appendix D

Selborne Parish Council

Budget for Precept 2008/09

Items	2006/07 actual as audited	2007/08 Revised budget 14/11/07	2008/09 Proposed budget 14/11/07	2008/09 comment
INCOME EXC PRECEPT				
Playground Grants	0.00	31,000.00	0.00	
Plestor Grants	0.00	18,064.00	0.00	
Grants	829.00	526.00	0.00	
Sundry	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Interest	968.57	1,100.00	250.00	
Allotments	0.00	250.00	250.00	
VAT	349.73	494.25	0.00	
VAT advance rebate	0.00	11,424.25	0.00	
TOTAL INCOME	2197.30	62,908.50	550.00	
EXPENDITURE				
GRANTS				
CAB Alton	0.00	335.00	335.00	
CAB Bordon	250.00	335.00	335.00	
War Memorials	2687.01	0.00	1,750.00	Selborne War Mem
PCCs (section 137)	540.00	900.00	900.00	
Oakhanger Village Hall	2000.00	7,500.00	0.00	
Selborne Village Hall	750.00	0.00	0.00	
Blackmoor Village Hall	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	Fire regs improvement works
Selborne Bell Ringers	200.00	500.00	0.00	
Blackmoor Play Area	6000.00	0.00	0.00	
National Trust	300.00	0.00	0.00	
Selborne Archive	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	
Hall Hire	85.00	100.00	200.00	Blackmoor & Selborne
GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE				
Grass Cutting - Selborne	740.00	2,400.00	2,500.00	
Grass Cutting - Oakhanger	0.00	0.00	0.00	
General Maintenance / Repairs	0.00	0.00	500.00	
Lions Mouth	0.00	2,865.00	100.00	sump needs clearing
Footpaths	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Contingency	0.00	0.00	250.00	
Allotments	0.00	1,500.00	750.00	
Tree Survey & works	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	
ADMINISTRATION				
Training / conference	70.00	200.00	300.00	Inc NALC conf.
Election	0.00	1,373.00	0.00	
Insurance:	414.00	500.00	900.00	inc new playareas
Data Protection Registry	35.00	35.00	35.00	
HAPTC Subscriptions & LCR	266.00	265.00	250.00	do we need LCR?
OSS Subs	20.00	20.00	20.00	
Hampshire Playing Fields	30.00	30.00	30.00	
SD Campaign	0.00	10.00	10.00	
Audit Fee:	250.00	285.00	460.00	may have to pay int. audit
Admin Other (books, etc..)	0.00	120.00	50.00	
Salary inc Tax & NI	6050.27	8,840.00	9,300.00	
Clerks expenses & Travel	634.27	700.00	700.00	
Locum Clerk:	0.00	0.00	100.00	haven't needed yet !
Computer equipment	384.78	0.00	0.00	
Legal Fees	305.00	0.00	500.00	
Contingency	0.00	200.00	200.00	spent on LaMIS 07/08
Councillors allowance	0.00	150.00	100.00	
Chairmans allowance	124.49	100.00	150.00	
Domain Name renewal	0.00	50.00	50.00	
PROJECTS				
Oakhanger Recreation	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Oakhanger Traffic calming	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Selborne Over 12s Recreation	0.00	36,000.00	1,000.00	possible BMX track
Selborne School	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	request pending
Dortons Bridge	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	
Plestor Project	1894.50	26,310.00	0.00	
Parish Leaflet	0.00	976.00	0.00	
Parish Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Blackmoor Notice board	0.00	0.00	350.00	
Goslings Croft Play Area	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	
Blackmoor Signage etc	0.00	0.00	300.00	
VAT	494.25	11,424.25	N/A	
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	24524.57	106,523.25	31,925.00	
Income Less expenditure	-22328.00	-43,614.75	-31,375.00	
Bank Bal Brought Fwd from Previous Yr	23678.00	27,860.00	11,915.25	
Bank bal. Brought fwd less allocated	18031.00	2,086.25	2,086.25	
Precept requested	26510.00	27,670.00	29,289.74	5.85% increase
Predicted Bank Balance EOY	27,860.00	11,915.25	N/A	

allocated funds

Oakhanger Recreation	6000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Oakhanger Traffic calming	3000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Parish Plan	829.00	829.00	829.00
Allocated funds total	9829.00	9,829.00	9,829.00