

GROVE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Friday 5th May 2006
at Old Mill Hall, Grove.**

Present:

Cllr F D Parnell (chairman)
Cllr W Evans (vice-chairman)
Cllr W R Ackers
Cllr R L Bashford
Cllr K R Clarke
Cllr S Cotton
Cllr D M Hadcroft
Cllr P L Hadcroft
Cllr K Jones
Cllr A P Lunn
Cllr M Mellersh
Cllr J Nunn-Price
Cllr J M Stock
Cllr B Williamson

In attendance:

County councillor Z Patrick
County councillor J Moley
District councillor G Stock
Mr Ed Vaizey MP
Mrs C Divall (Grove Day Centre)
Rev'd Smithson (Grove Methodist Church)
Mr R Hill (Village Hall)
Mr G Smith (Harriers/Grove Scouts)
Mr T McManus (St John Vianney RC Church)
Mr B Day and Ms R Quinn (Little Green People)

14 members of the public.

Clerk: Mr G M Mundy

The chairman welcomed the members of the public of the meeting and introduced Mr Ed Vaizey MP, the county and district councillors.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from parish councillor A Harker and district councillor D Phillips.

2 Presentation by the Climate Change Action Group "Little Green People"

The chairman introduced Brad Day and Rebecca Quinn who gave their presentation on climate change.

Following the presentation the chairman thanked Mr Day and Ms Quinn and informed the meeting that they would be welcome to remain for the remainder of the meeting and answer questions.

3 Council chairman's report

Cllr F Parnell read out his report as per the attached appendix.

4 Committee Chairmen's reports

Environmental Services Committee – Cllr K Clarke read out his report as per the attached appendix.

Planning Committee – Cllr J Stock read out her report as per the attached appendix.

Leisure and Recreation Committee – Cllr R Ackers read out his report as per the attached appendix.

5 **County Councillors reports**

County Councillor's Report - County Councillor Patrick read out a report on behalf of county councillor J Moley and herself as per the attached appendix.

No reports for the district councillors were provided.

6 **Public forum**

Millbrook Square – Mr Derek Cain asked the council for their views on the proposed new shops at Millbrook Square and the Crèche at the rear of the shops. Cllr J Stock responded that the council was not in favour of either planning applications, but the applications were granted on appeal.

Mr Cain also asked about the workshop and exhibition regarding the new development and could they be advertised better.

The chairman responded and said that the organisers of the workshops and exhibitions had admitted that they were not advertised as well as they could have been and will endeavour to advertise the next set of workshops etc more widely.

Mr Cain also asked if SEERA had agreed to an additional 1400 houses on top of the already 2500 houses where would they go, and will houses be built after 2011.

The chairman responded and said that there was room on the airfield for the additional 1400 homes and yes, houses would be built after 2011.

Mr Ron Hill asked if the council knew what sort of shops would be placed into the new units proposed for Millbrook Square.

Cllr J Stock responded that the council were not aware of the type of shops.

Local Authorities – Mr Brad Day asked the council if there was anything this council or other local authorities could do to attract a more wider and diverse age group onto the councils.

The chairman responded that Grove Parish Council does try and that the parish elections will be held next year.

Before closing the meeting the chairman reminded and informed those present of the information held on the parish council website: www.grove.oxon.org.uk regarding meeting timetables, previous minutes etc. He also informed the meeting that the development forum website will be linked to the parish council site as soon as it is developed.

The meeting closed at 8.56 pm

Confirmed: 13th June 2006

Chairman