

**SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 14 March 2006 at 7.00pm in the Symondsburry Schoolroom

**PRESENT:** Cllr A C Streatfeild, Chairman, S L Holmes, R M Baker, C E Harp, A W Harrison, V O'Farrell, P R Smith, M R Davis.  
In attendance Mr D N Wragg, Clerk.

131 **Apologies** were received from Cllr G Brierley.

132 **Declaration of Interests.** None.

133 **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2006 were approved.

134 **Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors.** There was none available.

135 **Community Policing.**

136 **Democratic Half Hour.** There was no business under this heading.

137 **Chairman's Announcements.**

- a) The Chairman formally recorded the thanks of the council to Cllr Roy Lidington for the contribution he had made to the success of the council, wishing him health in his retirement.
- b) Referring to the Chairman's seminar recently attended she highlighted the growing awareness in Local Re-organisation.
- c) The Chairman reported that she had attended a meeting of the Colfox Estate to review their plans for its development. Their wish was expressed to work closely with the community.
- d) Sustainable Communities. This subject was referred to the Policy Committee for further consideration.

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138 **Finance.**

- a) The balance of the current account was reported as £667.39 of which £438.00 was represented by the Hedgerow Grant received, resulting in the balance of £229.39. The deposit account £1666.50.
- b) Accounts for payment. To Beverley Chisnall, Elswood Barn, Eype, £438.00. being Hedgerow Grant.  
On the proposition of Cllr Holmes, seconded Cllr Harrison it was **RESOLVED** that this account be paid.
- c) The RFO advised the Council that confirmation of the Precept had been received, that the Hedgerow Grant of £438.00 had been received and that the permitted section137 expenditure for 2006/7 had been set at £5.44, an increase of .14p on the current year.

139 **A35 and Transport.**

- a) The report of Cllr Smith was received discussed and adopted.
- b) The question of further action in respect of the Miles Cross junction was discussed and in the light of the further delays in implementation of the speed limits it was **RESOLVED** that a press release be issued indicating the council's frustration at the lack of appropriate action by the Highways Agency. Cllr Smith agreed put together the Press Release.

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140 **Planning Applications.**

- a) Current planning applications were as circulated list. The following new application was discussed.  
1/W/06/0313 An amended proposal for Sea Breeze at Eype. This was tabled for further consideration.

- b) 1/W/05/002194. Swallow Dale Nursery, The council instructed the clerk to advise Cllr Summers of their disquiet regarding this application and to seek her involvement.

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141 **Reports.** The clerk presented the following reports.

- a) Clerk's Seminar 23.01.06
- b) Finance Seminar 21.02.06.
- c) DAPTC Area Meeting 23.02.06
- d) Eype Signage 02.03.06.

The four reports were adopted.

142 **Allotments.** It was reported that all allotments were now filled.

143 **Coastal Matters.** The report of the meeting of 23.02.06 was presented and adopted.

144 **Footpaths.** FP 31 Eype 31. It was reported that DCC maintains its position in respect of the path and that the parish council supports this.

145 **Correspondence.** From the pre circulated listing the following were highlighted.

- a) Dorset Best Kept village Competition.
- b) West Dorset Spring Clean
- c) From CPRE Fieldwork and survey.
- d) Dorset Campaign against litter.
- e) Sustainable Communities Bill
- f) BLAP Invite to Annual Assembly
- g) DCC Land in Public Ownership

146 **Policy Committee.**

- a) The committee recommends that the format of the Annual Parish Meeting be as last year. In the absence of a suitable film a speaker was to be invited to speak on a subject of mutual interest. The date set for the meeting was 4 May 2006.
- b) The committee recommends the production of a document outlining training recommendations.
- c) That a clerk's surgery is introduced for a trial period where electors of the parish can discuss any aspects of the council's progress.
- d) That the Annual Report shows the funding and its disposal by the council.
- e) That the Agenda for council meetings be amended to include those features required by statute and local government regulations.

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**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the policy committee be received and adopted and that the recommendations are put in place.

A cross section of opinion reveals that the word 'summons' or 'summoned' is overly authoritative in today's climate. The committee recommends that notwithstanding the requirements of LGA1972 sch12 s10 these words should not be used on the agenda.

**RESOLVED** that the words summoned or summons are not used in the agenda heading.

147 **Eype Signage.** A letter of 30 January 2006 from DCC Highways Office indicated that confusion might arise over the name used on directional signs. This matter has now been considered by the Parish Council and the views of a number of residents noted. In reaching its decision the council recognises a number of factors, as well as the valued advice from DCC Highways, and wished to continue with use of the long established name of Eype. In the light of this decision it will not be necessary to change the sign at Cock Crowing and the finger post for installation at the Pilgrim Latch corner will read '**Lower Eype Only**'

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**/ No access to the Beach** and another finger pointing to **'The Beach'**.  
**RESOLVED** the council was unanimous in requiring the foregoing decision to be implemented.

The meeting was closed at 9.02pm.

148 Date confirmed for the next meeting 9 May 2006  
Annual Parish Meeting 4 May 2006  
Policy Committee 11 April 2006.

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Cllr A. C. Streatfeild, Chairman

D N Wragg Clerk19.03.06-min11-spc