

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 13
March 2007 at 6.45pm in the Symondsburry Schoolroom

PRESENT: Cllr A C Streatfeild, H Harrison, P R Smith, C E Harp, J Nolting-May,
J Colfox and G Butcher.
In attendance: Mr D N Wragg, Clerk.

Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Code of
Conduct.

Election of Chairman. Cllr Streatfeild indicated her willingness to serve in this
capacity and on the proposition of Cllr Harp it was unanimously
RESOLVED the Cllr Streatfeild be appointed Chairman. The Chairman the
thanked the Council for their continued support. New Cllr Grant Butcher was
welcomed and introduced and all councillors congratulated upon their success in
recent election.

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

Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors. Apologies received from Cllrs
G Brierley and G Summers. Cllr Summers had written to thank members for
their support in the recent elections. There was no business under this
heading.

Community Policing. The Chairman welcomed PC Manton who gave an
update on the generally quiet situation in the area and urged councillors and
members of the public to report any untoward incidents. Questioned about an
incident involving a Symondsburry taxi driver PC Manton recalled the incident
and if his assumption was correct the issue was being vigorously pursued.

Apologies were received and approved from Cllr J Colfox.

234 **Declaration of Interests.** Cllr Harrison advised an interest in the payment of the
235 Creeds invoice (item 6b) and would not vote on this matter..

Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2007 were approved.

235 **Chairman's Announcements.**

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- a) There will be a further meeting with Symondsburry Estate to receive an
update of their planning on Thursday 22 March at 4.15pm.
 - b) Reporting on the BLAP meeting the council were advised of the departure
of Susan Anders who had seen the partnership through its formative years
and was taking up an appointment in Butterfly Preservation. Thanks for her
contribution was expressed. There was an inspirational report of the new
health centre, which was most encouraging. The new action plan has been
published and can be useful to all councillors. Further copies for
distribution will be obtained.
 - c) The application for funding of the Parish Plan revision has been submitted
and progress of the project will be reported to the Policy Committee.
 - d) The conservation appraisal in Symondsburry has been carried out. A
representative group met with the consultant for a discussion of points of
local interest and the contribution from the group was appreciated.

A35 and Transport.

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- a) The SID unit at Miles Cross is now installed but requires connection to
power supply and calibration. To be pursued with Connect.
 - b) The recent meeting of WATAG was principally concerned with Rail Time
Tables for 2008.
 - c) A recent drive-by on the A35, Miles Cross to Chideock revealed a number

of shortcomings among which is the need for an inspection of the trees on council land, which could be a hazard. The clerk was instructed to ascertain the most cost effective way of carrying out this inspection.

Finance.

238 a) The balance of the current account was reported as £1095. The deposit account £1703.

b) Accounts for payment	DCC Allotment rental	£140.00
	Creeds Printers (Newsletters)	£200.00
	B Chisnall Starfarthing Copse	£250.00
	Harry Stebbings Ltd Noticeboard	£621.58

On the proposition of Cllr Baker, seconded Cllr Harp it was

RESOLVED that these accounts be paid.

c) On the proposition of Cllr Harp seconded Cllr Baker, it was **RESOLVED** that the sum of £50 be donated to the Citizens Advice Bureau 'Moving on' project.

d) Following a letter from the Bopper Bus service it was agreed that the council would support this project in the sum of £100 in the coming financial year. The clerk was asked to write in confirmation.

e) Regarding the request for funding from Life Education Dorset the clerk was asked to write and suggest an application later in the year might be appropriate.

f) The confirmation of the Precept for the 2007/8 financial year in the sum of £7000 was reported and noted.

g) The clerk reported the receipt of a cheque for £1000 received from WDDC on behalf of the Starfarthing Copse Project, which will be paid to the project.

Planning Applications.

239 a) Current planning applications were as circulated list with one recent addition at Hookery Nook, Mount Lane Eype, to be further considered.

240 **Election.** Nomination forms and information packs were handed out to those wishing to receive them and the timetable advised. Details of the post election actions were given and the return date for nominations emphasised.

241 **Lane Name.** In the light of the recently expressed support from the residents the lane from the junction close to Pilgrims Latch to Lower Eype Farm it was **Resolved** that it will be called Barton Lane. The clerk was instructed to apply to WDDC for this name to be recorded.

242 **Policy Committee.** The minutes of the meeting held 25.01.07, having been previously circulated were taken as read and on the proposition Cllr O'Farrell seconded Cllr Holmes it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be approved and adopted.

243 **Allotments.** A survey of present allotment holders indicates there is no requirement for a water supply and no wish to pay for water provided in this way. In the light of this information the project is not being proceeded with.

244 **Coastal Matters.** The councillors on this committee were asked to ascertain the views of the committee as to whether steps were being taken to secure either better services in respect of beach cleaning, and if not compensation for the work done at a local level as well as loss of tourist earnings. Work at Eype Beach has been carried out with little support.

245 **Footpaths.**

- a) The work done on Donkey Lane by DCC was reported to be most excellent and appreciated. The clerk was asked to convey the council's thanks and appreciation for a job well done.

246 **West Dorset Spring Clean.** Between April 1st and 31st the annual community spring clean takes place and councillors were asked to co ordinate a team of volunteers to do a litter pick in their area.

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

- a) DAPTC Area Meeting
- b) WDDC Planning Consultation Meeting.
- c) Area Conservation Appraisal meeting report.

All reports were adopted.

248 **Consultations.**

- a) Vehicles in the Countryside. Currently awaiting chairman's approval.
- b) Sustainable Community Strategy. Completed and sent.
- c) Amendments to the Model Code of Conduct. Completed and sent.
- d) Rights of Way Improvement Plan. Currently with Cllr O'Farrell.

249 **Correspondence.** In addition to the pre circulated listing the following had been received since publication.

1. From DCC. A leaflet advising on Business Continuity in the event of disaster.
2. Various entries for the Newsletter naming competition.
3. From My Place Poole Feb 07. Details of the government funded Low Cost Home Ownership scheme.
4. From Environment Agency 05.03.07. Flooding information
5. From BLAP 09.03.07. Details of the partnership Annual Assembly at the Salt House West Bay Thurs 15.03.07, 6.30-8.30pm

The meeting was closed at 9.20pm. after the following dates were confirmed

Date confirmed for the next meeting	8 May 2007
Annual Parish Meeting	3 April 2007
Policy Committee	10 April 2007.

Signed.....Date

Cllr A. C. Streatfeild, Chairman

D N Wragg Clerk 18.03.07-min17-spc