

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL **MINUTES**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 8
May 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.

250 **Election of Chairman.** Cllr Streatfeild indicated her willingness to serve in this
capacity and there being no other candidates and on the proposition of Cllr Harp
it was unanimously:

RESOLVED that 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. Apologies were received from PC Manton. There was no
business under this heading.

251 **Apologies** were received and approved from Cllr S Holmes.

252 **Declaration of Interests.** None were advised.

253 **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2007 were approved.

254 **Election of Vice Chairman.** Cllr Smith indicated his willingness to serve in this
capacity and there being no other candidates and on the proposition of Cllr
Harp, seconded Cllr Harrison it was:

RESOLVED that Cllr Smith be appointed Vice Chairman.

255 **Appointments.** a) Footpaths Officer. Mrs C Alner had previously indicated her
willingness to continue in this role and was unanimously re appointed.

b) It was agreed that Mr Paul Atterbury be contacted and if
agreeable be re appointed Ancient Monuments Officer.

256 **Adoption of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.** After due
consideration it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Standing Orders and
Financial Regulations.

257 **Appointment of Councillors to specific responsibilities.**

- a) A35 and Transport Cllr Smith.
- b) Allotments Cllr Harp.
- c) Coastal Matters Cllrs Nolting-May and Butcher.
- d) DAPTC Cllr Streatfeild and Mr Wragg.

258 **Chairman's Announcements.**

- a) Consideration was given to the Newsletter Name. A number of suggestions
had been received and from those a selection was made which was a
composite of those submitted. The choice was " the Symene Voice".
- b) Members were advised of training courses for new councillors and the
following expressed the wish to attend Cllr Butcher Tuesday 12 June at

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6.30pm for 7.00 and Cllrs Colfox and Nolting- May on Saturday 23 June at 9.30am for 10. Bookings to be arranged by the clerk.

- c) The BLAP action plan was issued to members.
- d) A letter from the Environment Agency provided information for members.
- e) The Chairman reminded members of the need to attend all council meeting. Meeting Dates were provided 12 months ahead and only emergencies should take priority.

259 **A35 and Transport.**

- a) The SID unit at Miles Cross is working satisfactorily.
- b) The meeting of WATAG cancelled and the minutes of the revised meeting were not yet to hand, Some reluctance on the part of the police to the implementation of double white lining from Miles Cross to Quarr Cross has been expressed.
- c) There has not yet been a satisfactory resolution of the high costs of hospital cars to Poole.
- d) A further meeting with Connect re the A35 is being sought.

260 **Finance.**

- a) The balance of the current account was reported as £3684. The deposit account £1360.
- b) Accounts for payment CPRE £ 27.00
Community First (Insurance)) £205.20
DAPTC Subs £243.62
Clerk's Salary and Expenses £989.69

On the Proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Nolting-May it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that these accounts be paid.

- c) Further funding of £1000 had been received for Starfarthing Copse and it was agreed that this be transferred to B Chisnall for that purpose. Forms for recording of disposition of funds on the project had been forwarded to Mr R George.
- d) The clerk advised receipt of the Audit Briefing and Annual Report documents and in order that they may be completed the council considered the draft Annual Accounts and on the proposition of Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Harp, it was:
RESOLVED that the Annual Accounts are approved and adopted.
- e) The clerk advised that confirmation of funding for the revision of the Parish Plan had been received and on the proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Harrison it was:
RESOLVED that an invoice in the sum of £1500 be sent to Community Planning and Partnerships Officer for payment.

261 **Planning Applications.**

- a) Current planning applications were as circulated list.
- b) Notification has been received Wormstall Farmhouse, Venn Lane, has been removed from the list of Listed Buildings of Special or Historical Interest.

262 **Symondsburry School Events.** A letter from the school provides details of events considered to be of interest to the council. Cllr Nolting-May and Cllr Smith agreed to attend one or more of these events.

263 **Eype Power Cables.** The Annual Parish Meeting received a petition from over 30 residents of Eype who wish to have power supply cables placed underground. It was agreed that the clerk would contact Western Power who are proposing new work in Barton Lane, to request that consideration be given to this request.

264 **Policy Committee.** The minutes of the meeting held 10.04.07 approved and adopted.

265 **Appointment of a Working Party.** A working party is deemed necessary to consider all aspects of partnership working in the employment of a Lengthsman. It was agreed that Cllrs Harp and Smith will act in this capacity.

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Allotments.

- a) All invoices for annual rental have now been paid with one exception, which is being pursued.
- b) A well is present on the allotment site, which requires approximately £400 expenditure to render it usable under health and safety regulations. Before proceeding the clerk was asked to confirm if a water extraction license is required.

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Coastal Matters. Cllr Mike Southgate of Burton Bradstock is looking to arrange a meeting of this committee in the near future.

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Footpaths.

- a) There were no major problems to report on.

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West Dorset Spring Clean. Good results were achieved at Eype Beach and in Watton and Broadoak.

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Reports. The clerk presented the following reports.

- a) Clerk's seminar March 2007.
The report was adopted.

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Correspondence.

1. Re the revised Code of Conduct. Various sources had provided information on the interpretation of clause 12/2. Copies of the documents were provided to all members for consideration and implementing at the next Council Meeting.
2. If work is completed on the Abbey Barn by the end of the year it is hoped that entry in the Best Kept Village Competition can be arranged.
3. From the Wallbridge Trust an invitation that the Chairman of the Council join the committee. On the proposition of Cllr Andrews, seconded Cllr Nolting-May it was:
RESOLVED that the invitation be accepted.

The meeting was closed at 8.45pm. after the following dates were confirmed

Date confirmed for the next meeting 10 July 2007

Policy Committee 12 June 2007.

Signed.....Date
Cllr A. C. Streatfeild, Chairman

D N Wragg Clerk 14.05.07-min18-spc