

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 13 May
2008 at 7.00pm in the Symondsburry Schoolroom

PRESENT: Cllr A C Streatfeild, P R Smith, S Holmes, J Nolting-May, C. Harp and J Colfox.
In attendance: Cllr G Brierley DCC and Mr D N Wragg, Clerk.

- 328 **Election of Chairman.** The V Chairman, Cllr P Smith opened the meeting and called for nomination for the position of chairman for the coming year. Cllr Streatfeild indicated her willingness to continue in this role and on the proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr J Colfox and carried unanimously it was
RESOLVED that Cllr A C Streatfeild be appointed Chairman for the coming year.
Cllr Streatfeild took the chair and thanked the council for their support.

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

Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors. Cllr Brierley advised that the Eype Centre for the Arts brown sign for placement at Cock Crowing is now in hand. The font size for the sign was queried and this question will be put by the clerk to DCC Highways. A public meeting is to take place at Portesham 14.05.08 to present the proposals for the programme of road works to take place on the coast road between Bridport and Weymouth. Attention was drawn to the excessive speeds of vehicles in the area of the school. Cllr Brierley recommended that an approach to the Community PC on this subject will be the most effective way of dealing with the subject. Cllr Brierley was asked to draw the attention of DCC Highways to the recent request for a SID unit to be placed temporarily on Skilling Hill Road where excessive speeds are causing concern at the pinch points approaching St Mary's School. Additionally there had been no advice to the Parish Council of the results any promised traffic audits both at St Mary's and at the new Medical Centre on West Road. Cllr Brierley undertook to advise on this point.

Community Policing. There were no matters under this heading.

- 329 **Apologies.** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Harrison, on community service in Lyme Regis and from Cllr Butcher who is on holiday both of which the council accepted and approved.

- 330 **Declaration of Interests.** No interests were declared.

- 331 **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2008 were approved and signed.

- 332 **Appointment of Vice Chairman.** Having indicated his willingness to stand and on the proposition of Cllr Holmes, seconded Cllr J Nolting-May and with unanimous support it was

RESOLVED that Cllr P R Smith be elected Vice Chairman for the coming year.
Cllr Smith thanked the council for the confidence shown.

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Adoption of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations. On the proposition of Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Harp it was

RESOLVED that the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be adopted.

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Appointments. On the proposition of Cllr Colfox, seconded Cllr Holmes it was
RESOLVED that the following appointments be made.

- a) Footpaths Officer Mrs Carol Alner.
- b) Ancient Monuments Officer Mr Paul Atterbury.
- c) Allotments Cllr C Harp.
- d) Coastal Committee Representatives Cllrs J Nolting-May and G Butcher.
- e) Roads, A35 and WATAG Cllr P Smith.
- f) DAPTC Mr D Wragg.
- g) BLAP Cllr A Streatfeild.
- h) Flood and Emergency Warden Cllr P Smith
- i) Tree Warden Cllr S Holmes.

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Chairman's Announcements. Concern was voiced on the matter of the report of the results of the Parish Plan identifying the need for this to be compiled. Cllr Smith agreed to take this in hand to summate the findings. The clerk advised that the DCA report of the Parish Housing Needs had now been received.

The attention of the council was drawn to the fact that the chairman had, by this meeting, completed 25 years of service on the council an achievement shared by Cllr Harp. Both were warmly congratulated by the members.

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A35 and Transport. A report of the points raised at the last WATAG meeting was given. Points raised. An increase in the number of bus passes issued. The transport aspects of the proposed SW Quadrant development were discussed and concern for coach parking and local transport was expressed. Hospital transport is under threat and is the subject of urgent review. The re-instatement of an information kiosk at the bus station and the implementation of an electronic board to indicate expected arrival/departure times of buses are for consideration.

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Finance.

a. Bank Balances.	Current a/c £ 5348	Deposit a/c £ 1521
b. Accounts for payment.	CPRE Membership	£ 28.00
	Annual Insurance	£ 204.04
	DAPTC membership	£ 302.11
	Clerks Salary & Exp	£1256.73
	DCTP Planning Training	£ 40.00

On the proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Nolting-May it was

Resolved that the above accounts be paid.

c. The Annual Accounts were presented and on the proposition of Cllr Holmes, seconded Cllr Harp it was

Resolved that the Annual Accounts be adopted and signed.

d. The Annual Return was presented, discussed and approved and on the proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Colfox it was

Resolved that the Annual Return be adopted and signed.

e. On the recommendation of the RFO and on the proposition of Cllr Colfox, seconded Cllr Nolting-May it was

Resolved that the sum of £1000 be transferred from the Current to the deposit account.

f. The RFO recommended that the number of cheque signatories be increased from 2 to 3 and that the Vice Chairman called upon for this purpose. On the proposition of Cllr Nolting-May, seconded Cllr Harp it was

Resolved that the 3rd. Signatory be Cllr Smith and the appropriate forms be completed.

g. On the proposition of Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Nolting-May it was

Resolved that a suitable notice board be provided at Eype with a lockable facility for Parish Council Notices and a map of local area showing places of interest and provided by the Historical Group. A further area would be open for public use. All at a cost of £839.00.

h. A request for funding of the Bopper Bus Service was considered and approved in the sum of £100 and on the proposition of Cllr Colfox it was

Resolved that this amount be paid.

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Planning Applications. Current position on planning applications is as listed. There were two additions to the published list. An amended description on 1/D/08/0715 to change the use of an agricultural yard for car parking in association with clay pigeon shooting. The other is a revised scheme for the extension of the terrace at Eypes Mouth Hotel. 1/D/08/0794. This is with Cllr Holmes for reporting.

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Policy Committee. The minutes of the meeting held 10.04.08 were approved and on the resolution of Cllr Holmes it was

RESOLVED that the minutes be adopted.

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Allotments. A report of the meeting with Mr R B Sewill on 02.04.08 was discussed. Possible improvements to the site are to be considered and Cllr Harp is to advise.

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Coastal Matters. Chideock Parish Council has been in contact with Dr Sam Rose regarding the Carrying Capacity of roads in East Dorset with a view to having a similar exercise carried out in the local area. The clerk was asked to obtain further details of the benefits to be derived from such an exercise.

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Footpaths. There was nothing to report under this heading.

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Reports. The clerk presented the following reports.

- a) A report of the Clerk's Seminar April 2008
- b) A report of the Planning Training meeting 12.03.08.

Both reports were adopted.

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Correspondence.

- 1. As per circulated list. Items highlighted were reported and discussed as necessary. Additional items were presented in detail. Of note is the BT consultation re the removal of payphones. The clerk was instructed to contact OfTel re the change of criteria for this move.

The meeting was closed at 8.35pm. after the following dates were confirmed

Date confirmed for the next meeting 8 July 2008.
Policy Committee 24 June 2008.

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

D N Wragg Clerk 14.05.08-min 23-spc.

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