

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 13 January 2009
at 7.00pm in the Symondsburry Schoolroom

PRESENT: Cllr A C Streatfeild, P R Smith, S Holmes, J Nolting-May and C. Harp.
In attendance: Cllr G Summers WDDC, PC Chris Forshaw and Mr D N Wragg,
Clerk.

Democratic Half Hour. Under this heading two members of the public were present to speak on planning application 1/D/08/2225. This item was brought forward to enable discussion to take place. Essentially the application is a change of use and after taking into account the concerns expressed it was agreed that the response of the council include concerns regarding traffic, manure and other waste disposal and a request that the specification of mobile shelters would be for agreement before locating on site.

Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors. Apologies were received from Cllr Brierley who had business elsewhere. Cllr Summers referred to the article of front page news in the Bridport News of 31.12.08 and the West Cliff planning decision 1/D/07/002188 where the Inspector's decision was being referred to the High Court. The Residents Association had clarified their position in writing and further developments are awaited.

An update of the coastal forum presentation was reported.

Cllr Summers was asked to refer to the enforcement officer the presence of animals being housed in a barn located in Watton Lane for which planning permission was given on the basis that it was not to house animals.

Contrary to earlier reports the closure of a crackhouse in Bridport was confirmed.

The Chideock/Eype proposed footpath has had to be modified following objections to the path surface. This project has taken some years to bring to fruition involving the efforts of councillors and officers at DCC and WDDC and considerable disquiet was expressed at the fact that delays in the planning department resulted in the application missing one meeting and it is now possible that the funding allocated will no longer be available for this life saving improvement. The clerk was instructed to write to planning deploring the situation and calling for an urgent review.

Housing. a further 3/5000 houses are to be sourced in W Dorset. The council was urged to pursue the efforts of the CLT as a matter of urgency.

Community Policing. PC Chris Forshaw brought sample 30mph signs for attachment to recycle bins. Council to be advised of the cost of purchasing a supply of these.

An increase in the number of thefts from parked cars has been noted and members were urged to ensure that any valuables left in cars be hidden from sight. Also the number of thefts from properties had been noted. Oil tanks drained, wood piles taken were reported.

386 **Apologies** were received from Cllr Harrison (away on business) and Cllr Butcher (recovering from recent operation) Both were accepted.

387 **Declaration of Interests.** None were declared.

388 **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2008 were approved and signed.

389 **Chairman's Announcements.** The chairman reminded councillors of the need for items for inclusion in the Newsletter to be forwarded to the clerk.

It was confirmed that there had been no applicants for the vacancy on the council and a suitable candidate could now be co-opted.

390 **A35 and Transport.** Cllr Holmes reported on his meeting with Mr Oliver Letwin MP regarding the hold up of improvements to the Eype Junction. The clerk has now forwarded all correspondence to the MP for further action

The Annual Report of Connect Roads was touched on and passed to Cllr Smith.

WATAG report that the introduction of bus stop 'flags' is now imminent.

DCC Highways have issued their structural maintenance programme for 2009/10. Local effect is minimal with only closure of the B3162 West Street for work in October 2009.

391 **Finance.**

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a. Bank Balances.	Current a/c £ 3397	Deposit a/c £ 2889
b. Accounts for payment.	Clerk salary & exp	£1122.90
	Glasdon for Grit Bin	£ 151.42

On the proposition of Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Holmes, it was **Resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

c. Confirmation of the precept was received on 09.01.09.

- 392 **Planning Applications.** Current position on planning applications is as listed. There were three additions to the published list.
1/D/08/2225 Highland End. See above in Democratic half hour.
1/D/08/2300 Highland End. Extend machinery shed. There were no objections to this application
1/D/09/0024 3 Watton Cottages. Widen Garage. There were no objections to this application.
- 393 **Allotments.** A site visit to be arranged in the near future. The illegal building has now been demolished.
- 394 **Coastal Matters.** Reports and details of the Shoreline Management Plan, the Access Newsletter and the DCF Newsletter are in the hands of Cllr Nolting May.
- 395 **Footpaths.** Changes to FP 22 and 26 were discussed and reported to the Policy Committee and reported in minutes of that committee meeting on 09.12.08.
- 396 **Policy Committee.** The minutes of the meeting held 09.12.08 were approved. On the resolution of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Holmes it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be adopted.
- 397 **DAPTC Matters.** The new look Autumn/Winter Newsletter was distributed to all members. Attention was drawn to the Sustainable Communities meeting on 16.01.09 at the Corn Exchange, Dorchester. It is thought that there will be little council involvement since the issues will be reserved for principal councils. Cllr Nolting-May will represent the council at this meeting.
- 398 **Reports.** The following reports having been previously circulated were taken as read and adopted. Report of Lengthsman Project, Chalk and Cheese Funding meeting, Footpaths 22 & 26, DAPTC Executive meeting report and DAPTC Area Meeting Report.
- 399 **Correspondence.**
As per circulated list. Items were reported and discussed as necessary. Attention was drawn to the Stakeholders meeting to be held at Bridport Town Hall at 6.30pm on 29.01.09 when the siting of the new waste management facility will be discussed. Cllr Streatfeild and the clerk will represent the council.

The meeting was closed at 8.55pm. after the following dates were confirmed

Date confirmed for the next meeting 10 March 2009.
Policy Committee 10 February 2009.

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

D N Wragg Clerk 19.01.09-min 27-spc.