

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 14 July 2009 at
7.00pm in the Symondsburry Schoolroom

PRESENT: Cllr P R Smith, S Holmes, J Nolting-May, Grant Butcher, Chris Norman and C. Harp.
In attendance: Cllr G Summers WDDC, PCSO Mark Jones and Mr D N Wragg, Clerk.

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

Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors. Cllr Summers advised that WDDC current office space incurred running costs of £200k pa and to avoid this alternative sites had been looked at with the Charles Street site providing the best option. The space would include a new base for the County Library and maintain the balance of parking spaces by providing underground capacity. The site would also accommodate a park and ride facility. Relief of the Chideock congestion and better traffic flows were being considered which include speed cameras and a second access road to Seatown. The basis for the HA reduction in speed at Miles Cross was questioned and it had been found that there were 14 different speed changes in the short distance between Eype Junction and Morcombelake which it was hoped to bring under one umbrella speed.

Community Policing. PCSO Mark Jones advised of the speeding and congestion of the area and the steps being taken to control it. He agreed to follow up the implementation of the traffic control order to be in place at Shutes Lane and Hell Lane from the 20.07.09.

415 **Apologies** Cllr G Brierley and Cllr Streatfeild, Business Engagement and Cllr Harrison due to family bereavement. These were accepted.

416 **Declaration of Interests.** There were no declarations of interest.

417 **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2009 were approved and signed.

418 **Chairman's Announcements.** Cllr Peter Smith presented Certificates of Attendance at the Training Course in the Power of Wellbeing to the councillors present.

419 **A35 and Transport.** Cllr Smith reported the forthcoming meeting with representatives of the Highways Agency. In this connection he was asked to seek assurance from HA that the recently reported introduction of an extended 50mph limit at Miles Cross was not to be a precursor for the possible usage of a waste management in that area.

420 **Finance.**

a. Bank Balances. Current a/c £ 2830 Deposit a/c £ 3889

b. Accounts for payment. DAPTC Subscription £ 256.11
DAPTC Training £ 50.00
Creeds Newsletter £ 119.00

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

c. In response to their request and on the proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Butcher it was.

Resolved that a donation of £100 be made to the Bopper Bus Service.

d. An email from Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance seeking to visit and offer ways in which the council might help in securing funds. The clerk was directed to write and confirm the council's interest in the services of a speaker at the next Annual Parish Meeting. Meantime and on the proposition of Cllr Harp, seconded Cllr Holmes it was

Resolved that a cheque for £100 be sent as a contribution to their funds.

421 **Planning Applications.** Current position on planning applications is as listed. There were

four additions to the published list.

- 1/D/09/0685 Kenmore, Meadway, West Cliff DT6 4HP. Extension and alterations to garage. Approved without objection.
- 1/D/09/0858. Costaplenty, Duck Street, Symondsburry DT6 6HB. Decision adjourned for site visit
- 1/D/09/1005. Chelsea House West Road, DT6 6AA. Two storey extension. Approved without objection.
- 1/D/09/1007. Four Foot House Mount Lane Eype DT6 6AL. Stable Block. Approved without objection.

422 **Allotments.** The clerk reported to decision of DCC that no funding could be made available to assist with fencing of the allotments. DCC were advised that in view of the lack of security of tenure it was unlikely that the parish council would wish to invest in an expense which may not be recoverable. DCC agreed that this aspect would be put in hand immediately with view to a lease for a minimum period of ten years. It was agreed that Cllr Harp and the clerk would meet to prepare an action plan for the future of the allotments for consideration at the next policy committee meeting.

423 **Coastal Matters.** Cllr Butcher had attended the recent BLAP meeting at which the Coastal Consultation was discussed and a response agreed. The council endorsed the support given to the BLAP response of the 9 June 2009.

424 **Footpaths.** Changes to FP 22, 23,24,26 and 27 are now out for consultation with the Ramblers Association, etc.

425 **Policy Committee.** The minutes of the meeting held 09.06.09 were approved. On the resolution of Cllr Holmes, seconded Cllr Nolting-May it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be adopted. The clerk pointed out the need for a Statement of Intent, a draft of which had been circulated for consideration, and a Council Resolution for the implementation of the Power of Wellbeing. Both of these items were referred to the next Policy Committee meeting for consideration.

426 **DAPTC Matters.** Since the working party handling the question of affiliation fees is making slow progress it had been agreed with the Chief Executive that the parish council's invoice could be reduced by the amount of the overcharge pending clarification. The clerk advised that the last meeting of the Area Committee had been advised of the proposal to introduce a lengthsmen/clustering scheme in conjunction with BTC. This had been enthusiastically received by some parish councillors who were eager to receive full details and costing. A time scale of September is being worked to achieve this.

427 **Reports.** DAPTC Area meeting 28.05.09 report.
Request for sites for plastic bottle banks.

428 **Correspondence.**
As As per circulated list. Items were reported and discussed as necessary.

The meeting was closed at 8.40pm. after the following dates were confirmed

Date confirmed for the next meeting 8 September 2009
Policy Committee 18 August 2009.

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

D N Wragg Clerk 27.07.2009-min 29-spc.

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