

SYMONSDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th September 2013 at 7pm
at West Bay WI Hall.

PRESENT: Cllr D Turner (DCC) Cllrs P Smith, M Leighton, D Wragg, S Ralph, A Streatfeild, B Baker, R Kayes and Mrs L Hart - Clerk.
6 Members of the public also attended, and their names were recorded in the attendance book.

Democratic half hour: Richard Freer and other members of public spoke about proposed Vearse Farm development. Concerns were expressed regarding size of development, the fact the development is within an AONB, possible run-off into Symene / flood risk and increased traffic in area. Cllr Ros Kayes confirmed that a meeting with the planners has been scheduled for October.

Comments were raised regarding the condition of the footpath at Donkey Lane, Cllr Smith advised that work needs to be carried out here and will follow up with Cllr Costello.

Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors: Cllr Turner advised those present about a Driver Training course which is available for people aged 75 years and over – full details are booking information is available from DCC; email roadsafety@dorsetcc.gov.uk or telephone 01305 224558.

The Rural Services Network is working closely with the Rural Fair Share Campaign to ensure public services in rural areas receive a fair share of Government funding. Cllr Turner circulated petitions for signing by councillors and members of the public.

Cllr Kayes updated those present on the review of adult services in Bridport. The review will affect the elderly and those with special needs within our parish. There will be public consultations as follows:

- Monday 23rd September 2013, 2-4pm at The Salt House, West Bay.
- Thursday 26th September 2013, 2-4pm at Bridport Town Hall
- Saturday 28th September 2013, Bucky Doo Square, Bridport (tbc)

Cllr Kayes advised that the pinch point in West Bay will be partly removed and work will begin next year. She also advised that the pinch point in West Allington needs to be removed for upcoming gas works; she is working on the pinch point being permanently removed after this.

Community Policing: No police attendance. Cllr Wragg advised there is an increase in rural theft of tools and machinery in sheds etc. The clerk to write to police and ask if they can please make a representative available for future meetings.

1. To report and approve apologies: Apologies were received for Cllr Costello and Cllr Holmes, their absence was approved.

2. To receive declarations of interest. None received.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th July 2013: Minutes were approved and signed.

4. Chairman's announcements: The Chairman introduced the new clerk, Lucy Hart.

5. Finance.

(a) Bank Balances Current account £3225.00
 Deposit account £5102.61

Due to operational changes within the parish and the local bank branch (Lloyds TSB) the latest current account balance was not available for this meeting.

(b) Accounts for payment: LexisNexis Arnold Baker Book £65.45
Postage, recorded mail sent by D. Wragg £6.22
DCC Allotment Rent £200.00
CPRE membership renewal £29.00

All agreed to continue the membership of CPRE and cheques were agreed and signed.

6. Planning Applications:

1/D/13/001063, Axen Farm, Symondsburry, DT6 6HL

Erect Garden Studio (retrospective) (Full) – no objection.

1/D/13/001186 8 Brit View Rd, West Bay, DT6 4HY

Proposed extension (Full) – no objection.

1/D/13/001190 Upcot, Fourth Cliff Walk, West Bay, DT6 4HL

Extend the width of existing flat roofed rear dormer window. Re-render elevations with / without external insulation using acrylic render. Extend existing single off-road parking bay to form double parking space. (Full) – no objection. Commented that the width appeared to be less than the required standard 2.8m.

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council will hold a planning meeting in August each to discuss applications that are submitted during this period.

7. Reports from Lead Members:

- **Footpaths:** no report
- **A35:** Cllr Ralph commented that the A35 westbound will be closed between the junctions with the A3066 and the A30, due to roadworks, between 10 pm and 6 am, from 11 September 2013 to 13 September 2013.
- **Transport:** The subsidised bus service is being reviewed which could affect the service locally. Cllr Wragg to respond to consultation expressing concerns with rural isolation and poverty.
- **Allotments:** There are currently 2 x ½ plots available.
- **Flood Officer:** Nothing to report
- **Resilience:** please see agenda item below.
- **Coastal Matters:** Nothing to report.
- **DAPTC.** The next quarterly meeting is on September 26th at Mountfield and is the AGM. If anyone has any items they would like Cllr Ralph to raise please contact him.
- **BLAP Report:** are in on-going discussions with 8 local parishes with a view to formulating a combined Neighbourhood Plan. Next report in October.
- **Lengthmans Scheme:** There is still a drainage issue on Broadoak Rd. Clerk will obtain an up to date work record /invoice of jobs already undertaken for last six months.
- **Symene CLT:** Nothing to report.
- **Tree Officer:** Nothing to report.
- **Ancient Monuments:** Nothing to report.
- **Symene Voice:** The Chairman asked if the next edition could be ready for circulation before Christmas.

8. Reports as Available: Nothing to report.

9. Correspondence: The list was presented to the councillors and will be circulated via email.

10. West Cliff Home Owners Association Response: response letter to be sent. Cllr Wragg to discuss with clerk.

11. CPRE Membership: Cllrs agreed that we should support this organisation and agreed to renew annual

membership.

12. Notice of Footpath modification: Bridleway 29, Highlands End Holiday Park – No further comments required regarding notice as this change had already been agreed. It was again brought to the attention of the council that there was no public footpath from the one off West Walk (upper) to the bridle path.

13. Down House Farm, Eype: Cllr Wragg and the Clerk to attend planning enquiry in October.

14. Register of Members Interest and Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman Forms – to be signed at next meeting.

15. Resilience: Cllr Sreatfeild has produced a report and plan for parish. The proposed plan was circulated and she asked councillors to please review and comment. The chairman asked Cllr Sreatfeild to please provide further details for inclusion in the next Symene News.

16. Payment of Councillors Honorarium: Cllr Wragg to look into this and report on this at next meeting.

17. Lengthsman Services: Funding from DCC for this service is to be withdrawn. Bridport Town Council will continue to offer the service but it will be at a higher cost but in principal all councillors agreed to continue with using the service. The clerk to obtain a breakdown of work carried out year to date to assist in reviewing this. *Post meeting note: Clerk has confirmed a meeting with Daryl Chambers to discuss.*

18. Clerks Pay – this was discussed and agreed in the private session and accepted by the new clerk.

SignedDate.....

Cllr P R Smith, Chairman

Lucy Hart, Clerk 11th September 2013.

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