

b) Accounts for payment.

CAB Donation	£ 100
Creeds (Printing)	£ 197
Bridport Town Council	£ 900

Resolved – The above accounts to be paid.

- c) Expenditure proposals from Councillors – Costs to train the newly appointed clerk were discussed. Clerk to obtain quotes for a replacement laptop as the current laptop is 6 years old and very slow.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS –

- a) Applications for Consideration – None received this month
b) Other planning matters – the Planning Application pages on the WDDC website are currently not working as they should, WDDC are aware and hope to rectify the matter in the near future. They did confirm there had been no Planning Applications in Symondsburry Parish for consideration in the past month.

The Clerk agreed to follow up a request made to WDDC to align the Certificate of Lawful Use process to that of Planning Applications, and have details made available locally.

7. UPDATE ON LENGTHSMAN SCHEME – After consideration **resolved** to stay with the Bridport Town Council scheme. As DCC have reduced their subsidy this year by half, Bridport Town Council will raise the costs to participating Parishes by £1 per hour (to £16). Clerk to ask Bridport Town Council to give Symondsburry Parish a dedicated day each month to improve the current service.
8. CONSIDER RESPONSES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING – The Eype postcard presentation has been very well received. As noted above, the possibility of holding meetings in other parts of the Parish during the lighter months in the future has been considered.

9. REPORTS FROM LEAD MEMBERS –

- 1) Footpaths – Noted the very poor state of some footpaths, particularly one containing livestock that has become with almost impassable, and several blocked by fallen trees. DDC are aware of all these issues and will respond when able.
- 2) A35 and Transport – The A35 closures have been well advertised. Note school buses, buses and emergency vehicles will continue to drive through. Full details of closures can be found on www.dorsetforyou.com
- 3) Allotments – Work is beginning at the Pine View allotments shortly. Clerk to explore costs and suitable arrangements for laying scalplings at the entrance to the London Inn allotments.
- 4) Costal Matters – No update
- 5) DAPTC Reps – No update
- 6) BLAP Rep – Annual Meeting was very well attended and had an interesting presentation about restorative justice, a local scheme that is highly effective.
- 7) Flood and Emergency Officer – Environment Agency has redrawn the Flood Risk Areas in light of the recent floods, maps are available online but are not very clear on exact changes from the previous.
- 8) Lengthsman Link – see point 7 above.
- 9) Symeme CLT – No update

10. REPORTS – None received

11. CORRESPONDENCE – Councillors noted the request from the Jubilee Trust. The letter and response from the West Cliff Home Owners Association was discussed in some detail. Symondsbury Parish Council was very pleased to receive input from the West Cliff and will look to positively respond to any approaches where they can. The Clerk was asked to contact the Bopper Bus and seek to include the West Cliff area in the their service, also to approach Dorset Waste Partnership to see if provision of litter and dog poop bins and collection are available for Private Roads with public access.

12. NEXT PARISH COUNCIL METTING – Tuesday 14 May 2013.

There were no proposals for agenda items received.

The meeting was closed at 8.56pm.

Signed.....

Cllr P R Smith, Chairman

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