

## SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th February 2015 at 7pm at Symondsburry School.

These minutes will be ratified at the March Parish Council Meeting.

PRESENT: Cllrs P Smith, S Holmes, A Streatfeild, D Wragg, B Baker, J Roddy. In attendance: Cllr D Turner, Cllr G Summers, PCSO Dave Ash, Marilyn Stone, Clerk. All names were recorded in the Attendance book.

Democratic half hour: No Members of the public were present.

Information from DCC and WDDC Councillors: Cllr Turner reported that Dorset Waste Partnership has a £491K overspend which has been highlighted within the last few days. It was put to Cllr Turner that will the new scheme still go ahead in light of the deficit to which he replied yes it will. There are still savings that can be made; they have recently purchased a new fleet of vehicles. Cllr Turner stressed that it is vital that households reply to the Letter about the revised Waste & Recycling Scheme by 26th February 2015. Cllr Summers advised that it is more expensive to dispose of waste to landfill and the recycling scheme reduces this cost. She also reported that Press has not been helpful in their reports. Cllr Summers reported that West Dorset District Council are ahead of budget and have circa £7,000 to take towards next year's budget. What they can't account for is what will happen if a new government was to take office. Cllr Summers spoke briefly about the new council partnership with North Dorset and was asked her feelings on a Unitary Council in the future to which she replied that by making us stronger we can resist this. Cllr Turner added that he had an opposite view in the fact that 9 councils working together would be in extremely good financial position.

Community Policing: PCSO Dave Ash spoke about a recent incident involving helicopter and police car chase. He also reported that there had been a few oil/diesel thefts he hoped to come to our meetings more often in future.

134. To receive and approve apologies for absence: Cllr S Ralph (due to ill health)

135. To receive Declarations of interest: None

136. To approve the Minutes of last meeting: The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th January 2015 were approved and signed.

137. Chairman's Announcements: Cllr Smith had spoken with Keith Brown, Chair of the West Cliff Residents Association regarding the installation of the new parish noticeboard on West Cliff and have agreed the location The poster for a new councillor which was displayed recently had been removed. The noticeboard in Symondsburry required some 'TLC', sanding down and varnish, possible new job for our Lengthsman. The installation of the new salt bin agreed earlier in the year now needs ordering as the old damaged bin is in the way.

138. Finance: a) Bank Balances: Current Account £6,900.28

Deposit £7,644.88

139. b) Payment of Account for Approvals: Clerks Salary £269.46,

Neighbourhood Plan (BTC) £500.00,

Fox Carpentry and Joinery (West Cliff Notice board) £923.82

Due to the receipt of the Section 106 money towards Pine View Allotment set up cost had arrived it was agreed to transfer £3,000 from Current account to Deposit account.

Proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Wragg, all in favour. There was a discussion following receipt of the information allowing Parish Councils with less than £25,000 turnover per annum no longer having to submit accounts for external examination

140 . Planning Applications:

WD/D/14/003294 – Sheepwash Barn, Symondsburry, Bridport – Change of use to sui generis (dog day care)- It was agreed to **Object** to the application. Once again we are dealing with another retrospective application. There were concerns over a potential danger of pollution as the application is within 20 metres of a water course (not indicated on application) and a risk of flooding. The noise levels from the dogs are a concern during the day and into the evening. Additional traffic was a concern. Should this application be agreed there must be a condition stipulated within any planning consent that working hours are as advised 8am to 7pm.

WD/D/14/003335 - Edge Cliff, Fourth Cliff Walk, West Bay – Erection of single storey dwelling – Nice to see forward thinking modern property. Whilst we do not object to this application it must be noted that South West Coast Path Association had considerable concerns of ground mounted PV Cells in 2012 at this location. Also concerns were raised as retaining walls are necessary and are not included on plan.

140. Vearse Farm – It was agreed to invite the Developer to our Annual Meeting on Tuesday 7th April 2015.

141. Training for newly appointed Councillors – Cllr Roddy noted will be attending should she be elected on 3rd June 2015.

142. Reports from Lead Members:

a) Footpaths – West Cliff Homeowners Association have indicated that the steps from the “Cliff Walks” need some repair but there is a query over ownership This has been referred to Cllr Ros Kayes as DCC Councillor for West Cliff .

b) A35 – New speed limit from Chideock boundary still in programme for installation It was questioned why temporary staffed traffic lights at Broomhills have been in place for months rather than the planned permanent ones?

c) Transport – Cllr Summers was asked if WDDC had any input re public transport as North Dorset North Dorset appear to be involved with the Transport Action Groups in their area ? Cllr Summers was surprised that this was the case Damory have unveiled 5 new buses. The battle to reinstate evening buses on route X31 & X53 was still underway.

d) Allotments – The fencing at Pine View has been completed and looks very smart. There are 2 allotments available at West Road to which one has a polytunnel.

e) Flood Officer – Nothing to Report.

f) Resilience – Awaiting response.

g) Coastal Matters – Nothing to report.

- h) DAPTC Reports – NALC have sent Cllr Wragg a Local Finance Consultation on Development of Services Framework to which he provided a brief synopsis.
- i) BLAP Report – Annual Assembly is on 19th March with Robert Tetherson as the Guest Speaker.
- j) Lengthsman Link – To obtain invoice.
- k) Symene CLT – All houses on West Road have now been allocated.
- l) Tree Officer – Considerable concern was expressed over the disappearance of a large tree between the West Road Garage and the Foundary potentially without permission. An investigation will take place.
- m) Ancient Monuments – None
- n) Symene Voice – To make part of Annual Report.
- o) Neighbourhood Plan – Must find someone who can represent us from Symondsbury.

143. Reports to Receive and Adopt: Cllr Smith reported on a Roadside Verge Management Meeting that he had attended recently. Sent to all Councillors. It was noted that the contractor is prepared to cut hedges above the height carried out by DCC for an agreed price and may be advertising this service in future.

144. Correspondence: The list had been previously circulated.

133. To confirm date of next meeting: Tuesday 10th March 2015 at Symondsbury School at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.56pm.

Signed .....

Cllr Peter Smith

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