

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th July 2015 at 7pm at Symondsburry School. **These minutes will be ratified at the September Parish Council Meeting.**

PRESENT: Cllrs P Smith, S Holmes, A Streatfeild, B Driscoll, J Jack, J Roddy, S Ralph. In attendance: Marilyn Stone, Clerk, Cllr D Turner and Cllr S Christopher.

Democratic Half Hour – No members of the public were present.

Information from DCC, WDDC Councillors and Dorset Police: Cllr Turner advised that Dorset For You website had been overhauled and seen a vast improvement to the site. Budget briefings up to 2020 had been announced and we face some real challenges. Cllr Turner announced that he is the Chair of The Environment Overview Committee and is on the Scrutiny Committee at District level.

Cllr Christopher was welcomed to our meeting. He has been appointed to the Planning Committee and is Vice Chair of the Audit and Governance. He provided a synopsis of the area that he covers. Cllr Christopher was questioned on the workability of the planning website to which he advised that it was down to personnel issues, staffing changes since the merger. The council are always trying to recruit the best people.

No police representation.

205 To receive and approve apologies for absence: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr R Kayes.

206 To receive Declarations of interest: Cllr Streatfeild advised that she may have a potential Declaration of Interest when we discuss Allotments.

207 To approve the Minutes of last meeting: The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th June 2015 were approved and signed.

208 Chairman's Announcements: Cllr Streatfeild announced that she had attended a meeting at Dorchester together with Cllr Roddy and Cllr Smith and travelled via bus from Miles Cross. However, there were problems with the bus and sat in the Bridport Bus Station for 15 minutes before the passengers were advised of problems. They had to make personal arrangements to travel to Dorchester on this occasion.

209 Finance: a) Bank Balances: Current account £3,284.93 **Deposit account** £15,113.25

a) Payment of Account for approvals: Clerks Salary May £345.72, HMRC (Apr, May, June) £51.00, HMRC (Jan, Feb, Mar) £221.00, DAPTC £91.50, DAPTC Annual Subscription £351.64, BDTA £20.00, Clerks Expenses £53.31, Cllr P Smith Expenses £43.20 **Proposed** by Cllr Ralph, **Seconded Cllr Roddy.**

210 Planning Applications: WD/D/15/003294 Sheepwash Barn, Mill Lane, Symondsburry – Change of use to Sui Generis (dog day care) and erection of single storey building – Cllr Christopher advised that he raised concerns regarding the retrospective nature of this application, noise levels from the activity and that the Parish Council had clearly rejected the

application. However, it was voted at the planning meeting to accept the application. A register of dogs should take place and noise levels could be investigated if they became an issue for neighbours.

WD/D/15/001219 Nossiters Farm, Broadoak to Atrim Road, Broadoak – Notification Application – this to be supported as would tidy up a neglected area.

211 Vearse Farm: Nothing to report.

212 Allotments – Symene CLT – SPC have been approached if the proposed allotments at Edwards Close could be adopted by us to administer. Insurance is an issue and the Clerk will seek guidance and from Bridport Town Council. It was suggested that Bridport Town Council could formally own them and lease them to SPC. The Chairman will report again

213 Waste Management Site: Cllr Smith was thanked for organising the visit that took place earlier this evening. Measures have been put in place regarding potential traffic issues with sensors in place to help eliminate problems.

214 SCBU – Kingfisher Ward, Dorchester: – Symondsburry Parish Council encourage all individuals to sign the on line petition.

215 Finger Posts:

Symondsburry 1 (Symondsburry Village) - shabby

Symondsburry 2 (Broadoak T junction) – letters falling off

Symondsburry 3 (Broad Lane opposite Picnic Site) - deteriorating

Symondsburry 4 (Broad Lane junction Higher Eype Road) – Very shabby

Symondsburry 5 (Broad Lane junction Mount Lane) - Shabby

Symondsburry 6 (Broad Lane Junction Watton Lane) - Wood missing

Symondsburry 7 (Denhay Lane) – is in sparkling condition

Symondsburry 8 (Higher Eype) – shabby

Symondsburry 9 (Eype, sea) – Not good

Chideock 1 (A35 Junction with Quarr Lane) – Not good.

It was suggested that businesses could sponsor them in order that restoration could take place. The Clerk showed a restoration price list. It was suggested that councillors investigate sponsorship of their local posts

216 Speed Limit Broadoak – Concerns had been raised it was felt impractical as it would be very difficult to enforce and the street furniture required would not improve the area.

217 Footpaths – Coastal Path – Number 33 has been closed and fenced off for 15 years plus and has not followed official line for closure. Cllr Turner will follow this up.

218 Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood Plan Area Designation Consultation – the Chairman wished them luck.

219 Reports from lead members:

- a) Footpaths – One footpath has been cleared at Eype. Footpath at Eype flooded in the Summer and the National Trust have undertaken a major drainage job and is now dry, first time in many years.
- b) A35 – Accident **diversion** signage was a concern but it was not possible for locals to put up alternative routes.
- c) Transport – Nothing to report. However, Cllr Driscoll deeply regretted **Cllr Streatfeild and Cllr Roddy's bus experience and would be reporting it to FIRST BUS.**
- d) Allotments – Cllr Driscoll will investigate an area to leave bark chippings for the allotment holders at Pine View.
- e) Flood Officer – Cllr Smith advised that we should have Flood warning signs and he could store them at his residence.
- f) Resilience – A meeting will take place between Cllr Streatfeild and Cllr Homes to move this on and August was suggested.
- g) Coastal Matters – **Cllr Jack will be added to the circulation list for the Coastal Communities Forum**
- h) DAPTC Reports – Nothing to report.
- i) BLAP Report – Funding will not be forthcoming as it had been in the past. Trying to find ways to maintain it.
- j) Lengthsman Link –New Lengthsman, Edward Wootton, has travelled the parish with **Cllr Smith** to assess work to be done.
- k) Symene CLT – Does not need to be an Agenda item in future. **However it was hoped that it might be involved with a scheme at Vearse Farm.**
- l) Tree Officer – Nothing to report.
- m) Ancient Monuments – Nothing to report.
- n) Symene Voice – A past copy to be forwarded to Cllr Jack.
- o) Neighbourhood Plan – Steering Group Meeting taking place next week.
- p) Waste Management Centre – Nothing else to report.

220 Reports to receive and adopt: Cllr Streatfeild advised that her recent meeting with Tony Hurley (Recreation at Vearse Farm) was constructive. Cllr Streatfeild will circulate **the** meeting notes.

221 Correspondence List: The list for June had been previously circulated. A letter regarding the proposed closure of the Mobile Library Service **had been received** and Cllr Roddy will investigate.

222 To confirm date of next meeting: Tuesday 8th September 2015 at Symondsburry School at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed..... Date