

## **Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 13 March 2000 7.30pm.**

Those present for the monthly meeting were:- Mr.G.Matthews [Vice Chairman], Mrs.D.M.England MBE, Mr.Yates, Mrs.Regan, Professor Eastham, Mrs. Ball, Mr.M.C.Farnham [Clerk] In attendance Rear Admiral Prichard

### **1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 14 February 2000, having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

### **2. APOLOGIES**

Mr.R.Batten, Mr.T.Russ

### **3. MATTERS ARISING**

a) Mrs.Regan confirmed the name of the person who raised the Lake Lane proposed development and badgers sets at the last meeting was Mrs.Jones.

b) Mrs.Regan confirmed that Frys' are no longer parking their vehicles in the entrance to the John Holt play area in Quarry Lane.

c) The Clerk reported that he had been able to arrange the site meeting concerning the possible use of land owned by Bridport Town Council next to the Lower Walditch Development for the 16 March 2000 at 10.00am.

### **4. REPORT BY CTY & DIST COUNCILLOR REAR ADMIRAL PRITCHARD CB**

Rear Admiral Pritchard presented to the Parish Council on behalf of WDDC 2 Millennium plaques. He confirmed that any additional tipping away costs for transporting the waste away from Bridport once the tip has closed is the responsibility of DCC.

### **5. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR**

At this point the meeting was adjourned to enable members of the public to air their views on matters of local interest. The meeting then re-convened to complete the Council's agenda.

### **6. REVIEW OF PARISH ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 17 February 2000 copy of which was sent out with the agenda. Following a short discussion on this matter it was proposed by Mrs.England that the Parish Council should continue as it is, this was seconded by Mrs.Ball and agreed by all the other Councillors.

### **7. FINANCE**

a) Hire of Hall on 13 March 2000 £13.00

b) Repair light o/s 10 Lansdown Road SEC £23.50

c) M.C.Farnham Salary March 2000 plus expenses for the period 8 January to 13 March 2000 £313.51



## **8. REQUEST FOR GRANTS**

Request for grant towards the cost of celebrating the closure of the Tip. Mr. Matthews declared an interest and took no part in this matter. The Clerk reported that he had contacted the DATPC, Parish Council can make a grant or donation if in the opinion of the Parish Council it is in the interests of the parish or any part of it, or is in the interests of all or some of its inhabitants. It was suggested that if a grant was given it should be towards the costs of the hire of marquee and not towards food or drink. Mrs. Ball proposed a grant of £400; this was seconded by Mrs. Regan. Mrs. England put forward a second proposal of £250, which was seconded by Mr. Yates. Professor Eastham was in the Chair for this item and asked for a vote for the second proposal, which resulted in 2 votes for and 3 votes against. Professor Eastham then asked for a vote on the first proposal, which resulted in 2 votes for and 3 votes against.

## **9. PLANNING**

[a] Applications received from WDDC; None received, however as site meeting was held in connection with application 1/W/1999/0771 alterations to convert The Old Forge from holiday unit to residential unit and construct new vehicular and pedestrian access, Old Forge Lower Walditch Lane Walditch. Mr. Batten attended meeting on behalf of Parish Council.

[b] Decisions by WDDC; application 1/W/1999/0750, land of lake lane, Bothenhampton erect 4 bungalows etc approval of reserved matters. Application 1/W/2000/04, land adjacent to Blossoms, Quarry Lane, Bothenhampton erect house & garage etc. [amendment to 1/W/1998/0463] permission granted. Application 1/W/2000/0013, 28 Uplands, Walditch, erect first floor extension, permission granted.

[c] Applications received from DCC; application 1/W/2000/097 variation of condition 24 of PA 1/W/98/064 and condition 18 of PA 1/W/98/382 to amend permitted noise levels. Sewage treatment works at Wych Farm, Burton road and Headwork site, West Bay.

[d] Decisions by DCC; None

## **10. REPORTS**

[a] Footpaths and Roads; It was reported that a caravan was now sited on the footpath near the reservoir. Mr. Yates to take up with the Rights of Way people.

[b] Street Lighting; The Clerk reported that it had taken 4 telephone calls to SEC concerning the light not working in Bowhayes before it was repaired. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to SEC concerning this matter.

[c] Neighbourhood Watch; Mrs. Regan reported that she had attended a meeting on this matter.

[d] Conservation and Open Spaces; NTR

[e] John Halt Play Area; The Clerk was instructed to Jim White to carry out an additional grass cut of the play area and also Walditch Village green

[f] New Walditch Play Area; The Clerk reported on behalf of Mr. Batten that the access to the area could revert to the original via the allotments as it now appears that this is now owned by the property next to the footpath.

[g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE

[a] DDC; letter dated 18 February 2000 local transport plan, west dorset parish meeting feedback. Letter dated 29 February 2000 Passenger Transport News. Letter dated 1 March 2000 with copy of "The Dorset Countryside Directory 2000".

[b] WDCC; Letter dated 21 February 2000 concerning the reduction of the number of empty properties in the district. Letter dated 3 March 2000 concerning the "MAFF high level targets for flood and coastal defence". Agenda for the Bridport Area Forum to be held on the 15 March 2000.

[c] Letters from; letter from Austen Whetham & Guest concerning the area of amenity land within the Lower Walditch Development, this should be ready to be transferred to the Parish Council some time in August/September this year.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 9.00pm.

Date 10.4.00 Chairman 

### **MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR**

a) Tipping away costs following the closure of the tip.