

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 9 July 2001 7.30pm.

Present:- Mr.Matthews [Chairman], Professor Eastham [Vice Chairman] Mrs.Ball, Mrs.Regan, Mr.Yates, Mrs.England, in attendance M.C.Farnham [Clerk] Rear Admiral Pritchard, Mr.R.Coataworth.

### 1] MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 11 June 2001, having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed. It was noted that Mrs.England did in fact attend this meeting but was not included in those present.

### 2 APOLOGIES

Mr.Batten

### 3 MATTERS ARISING

A] The Clerk confirmed that he had objected to the proposal to extinguishment of footpath No 23.

B] DATPC Western Area Meeting 29 November 2001, Mrs.England confirmed that she was unable to arrange for this meeting to be held in the Parish, whoever, she has arranged for it to be held in the WT hall in Bridport at a cost of £20.00 or £25.00 if they arrange the seating etc. It was agreed by all Councillors that Mrs.England could book the hall.

C] Works in Sea Road South, the Clerk confirmed that he had arranged for Andy Dean from Connect Road Operators to the open meeting to be held on the 26 July 2001 in Bothenhampton Church Hall.

D] Bridport Regeneration, Mr.Matthews confirmed that he had been unable to contact Ms.Sutton from Bridport Town Council to arrange for her to make a further presentation to the Parish Council.

### 4 REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REAR ADMIRAL PRITCHARD

Rear Admiral asked if we had received a report on the area known as jelly fields in Walditch? As regard the planning application for the proposed Waste Disposal site, he confirmed that WDDC will not consider this until DCC do.

### 5. REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR Mr.COATSWORTH

Mr.Coatworth reported that following organisation DCC would be lead by a Leader plus a cabinet, a total of 6 Councillors. 4 will have responsibility for a directorate. Scrutiny committees will monitor decisions made by the cabinet. The Cabinet will be made up of members from the same party.

### 6. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

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

### 7 CHARITY FUND RAISING

The Clerk referred to letter dated 12 June 2001 received from WDDC concerning the need for a permit/licence when fund raising for charities. The contents were noted.

## 8 EUROPEAN COMMUNITY LEADER INITIATIVE IN RUAL DORSET

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 8 June 2001 received from DCC and the Letter dated 14 June 2001 received from DAPTC on this matter both of which were noted.

## 9 PLANNING

- a] Applications received from WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/0897 49 Howard Road, Bothenhampton erect single storey extension returned "No Comments". Application 1/W/2001/0941 16 Elwell Bothenhampton erect dormer window returned "No Comments".
- b] Decisions by WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/0657 10 Elwell Bothenhampton erect first floor extension permission granted. Application 1/W/2001/0728 20 Howard Road Bothenhampton erect conservatory permission granted.
- c] Applications received from DCC; None.
- d] Decisions by DCC; None.

## 10 FINANCE

- a] The Clerk informed the meeting of the current situation.
- b] The following accounts were approved for payment.
  - [1] SWEB energy charges fro street lights £303.03
  - [2] Hire of Bothenhampton Church Hall 9 July 2001 £12.00
  - [3] Jim White June grass cutting £145.00
  - [4] MC.Farnham Salary July 2001 £203.54

Proposed by Mrs.Regan that these accounts should be paid and seconded by Mrs.England and agreed by all other Councillors.

## 11 REQUEST FOR GRANTS

A] The Clerk referred to a letter received from Bradpole Church pre-school in reply to his request for further information, this information was considered by the Councillors. It was proposed by Mr.Yates that a grant of £50.00 should be made. This was seconded by Mrs.England and agreed by all other Councillors.

B] The Clerk referred to a letter received from the WRVS asking for a grant, this was considered by the Councillors. It was proposed by Mrs.Regan that a grant of £50.00 should be made. A second proposal was made by Mrs. England that a grant of £100.00 should be made. The second proposal was dealt with first, Mrs.Ball seconded this as did all other Councillors. The first proposal was therefore discounted.

## 12 REPORTS

- [a] Footpaths & Roads; The Clerk confirmed that all Footpath should be open by the 20 July 2001. Hollow Way still has surface water problems; also stones in the wall of the path in Hollow Way are loose. Crock Lane, Lower Walditch Lane is considered to be rural lanes but they are not. Therefore DCC should be pressed to change their status to urban roads which would mean that the hedges would receive more cuts per year than they do now.
- [b] Street Lighting; the following lights are out, Unit 9 Main Street, Unit 13 & 14 Crock Lane, Unit 15 Bowhayes.
- [c] Neighbourhood Watch; NTR
- [d] Conservation & Open Spaces; Professor Eastham confirmed that he had taken up the matter of the open space within the Lower Walditch Development with WDDC. Some improvements have taken place put it is still not in a safe state for the Parish Council to take over the responsibility for this area.



- [e] John Holt Play Area; site had been cleared of litter, 2sq metres of Bark is required and it was proposed by Mr.Yates and seconded by Mrs.England that Mrs.Regan could arrange for this to be purchased.
- [f] New Walditch Play Area; NTR as Mr.Batten was unable to attend this meeting it is hoped that he will be able to report at the next meeting as it will be held in Walditch.
- [g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR
- [h] Market & Coastal Town Initiative; A Village Appraisal could be the way forward, this could identify possible projects that could be put forward for possible funding.

### 13 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

[a] DCC; letter dated 13 June 2001 concerning a new constitution for Dorset County Council. Letter dated 26 June 2001 concerning the re-opening of Public Rights of Way.

[b] WDDC; letter dated 15 June 2001 concerning Development Control Committee Site Visits. Letter dated 18 June 2001 concerning minor alterations to planning permission for 71 Crock Lane, erection of single storey rear extension.

[c] letters from; Bridport Youth Centre thanking Parish for donation of £100.00. The Millennium Centre thanking the Parish for donation of £100.00. Letter from SCOPAC concerning one day seminar on the 13 September 2001 in relation to "preparing for the impacts of climate change".

### 14 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

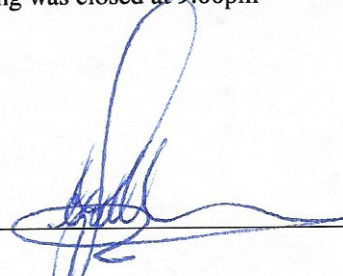
The Clerk referred to a letter received from SEC Lighting Services concerning the maintenance of the Parish Street lights and the instruction given to him at last month's meeting to ask to see if they would be willing to add our street lights to be included in their contract. This he had done and could now report that DCC have come back confirming that they would be willing to take on these lights at an annual charge of £407.33 plus VAT for the period 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002. Plus a one-off charge for renumbering the lights of £175.95. Mr.Yates proposed that this quotation should be accepted this was seconded by Mrs.England and agreed by all the other Councillors.

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

Date

13/8/01

Chairman



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

- [a] Green Lane has been cleared by volunteers but the surface still needs to be repaired by DCC.
- [b] Repairs to Long Lane still need to be carried out by DCC following the closure of the waste tip.
- [c] Boscombe Lane, Walditch has any planning application been received for changes to Blackberry Farm as lorries are going up and down this lane with rubble etc.
- [d] Mr.Ffooks noted that the notice board had been re-erected in Pasture Way. Also the old notice board at the old post office still needs to be removed.