

MINUTES OF THE BOTHENHAMPTON & WALDITCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, BOTHENHAMPTON ON MONDAY 11TH JULY 2005. Present: Mr Stenning (Chair), Mr Matthews, Mr Harrison, Mr Dennis, Mr Stubbs. In attendance: D. R. Barnes (Clerk)

### **1. APOLOGIES.**

Mrs England, Mrs Regan, Mr Tett.

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

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 13th June 2005 having been circulated to all members were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

### **3. MATTERS ARISING.**

None.

### **4. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR.**

At 7.08pm the meeting was adjourned to enable members of the public to air their views on matters of local interest. At 7.17pm the meeting re-convened to complete the council's agenda, there being no further matters raised.

### **5. REPORT BY WDDC COUNCILLORS FOR BOTHENHAMPTON.**

By letter, Mr Tett reported that a schedule of works appears to have been agreed to bring the Palace Cinema in Bridport back into community use.

### **6. REPORT BY WDDC COUNCILLOR FOR WALDITCH, MR ROBERTS.**

Mr Roberts informed the meeting that car parking in the district is being rescrutinised by councillors.

### **7. REPORT BY DCC COUNCILLOR, MR COATSWORTH.**

Mr Coatsworth stated that the replacement bus for Service 41 (Bradpole) appears to be a success. He is continuing to press for bus stops along Sea Road South. Mr Coatsworth informed the meeting of the cancellation of the hospital car service for cancer patients visiting Bournemouth. This is causing hardship for certain patients, as after the first 4-5 weeks, a contribution is required towards the taxis which are now used. Mr Coatsworth made reference to a decision by DCC to move the maintenance of the grass banks in Hollow Way, Bothenhampton, to be attended under a different contract which will ensure they are strimmed up to 15 times per year.

### **8. PLANNING.**

A] Applications received from WDDC/DCC:  
WDDC:

1/W/05/000936 - 61 Crock Lane: Erect rear single storey extension: No Comment.

1/W/05/000892 - 29 Slades Green: Erect extensions and garden shed: No Comment.

1/W/05/000784 - 49 Burton Road, Bridport (Neighbouring Parish Consultation): Erect extensions: No comment.

1/W/05/001148 - 2 Hill View, Firch Lane, Walditch: Remove concrete canopy and demolish carport; erect two storey extension, bay window and conservatory: No comment.

1/W/05/001125 - 18 Elwell, Bridport: Erect conservatory: No Comment.

1/W/05/001099 - Hyde Farmhouse, Walditch Road, Walditch: Construct vehicular and pedestrian accesses and erect stone piers: No Comment.

1/W/05/001100 - Hyde Farmhouse: Erect stone piers: No Comment.

1/W/05/001153 - The Oaks, Walditch Road, Walditch: Erect stock building: passed to Mr Stubbs for comment.

DCC: None.

B] Decisions by WDDC/DCC:

WDDC:

1/W/05/000936 - 61 Crock Lane (as above): Permission granted.

1/W/05/000682 - Vodafone mast, Hyde Plantation: Construct 145m of timber sleeper steps and 30m of gravel path leading up to mast: Permission granted.

1/W/05/000713 -18 Crock Lane, Bridport: Erect 3 dormer windows and carry out loft conversion: Permission granted.

1/W/05/000753 - Cherry Tree, Duck Street: Erect two storey extension and detached garage & carry out alterations: Permission granted. Mr Matthews stated that he was bewildered that WDDC had approved this application when it was materially the same as that refused previously.

Mr Dennis made reference to the height of proposed buildings needing to be checked rigorously by councillors.

DCC: None.

## **9. FINANCE**

A] Statement of Account as at 30 June 2005.

The Clerk informed the meeting of the current position.

B] Accounts for Payment.

Clerk's salary (June).....£256.36

Clerk's quarterly expenses (April to June).....£126.21

David Landscapes (grass cutting).....£281.12

Mr Matthews proposed these accounts should be paid. This was seconded by Mr Stenning and approved by all of the other councillors.

## **10. REQUESTS FOR GRANTS.**

Bothenhampton Village Hall committee applied to the council for 5% of the cost of replacing the kitchen units in the hall, the rest to be financed through other grants, (dependant upon this 5% being committed), and their own fundraising. Mr Matthews proposed the commitment of this sum; this was seconded by Mr Dennis and approved by all of the other councillors.

A grant application was received from Marie Curie Cancer Care (Somerset & Dorset office). Mr Dennis proposed a £100 grant; this was seconded by Mr Harrison and agreed by all of the other councillors.

## **11. PARISH MATTERS.**

Footpaths & Roads - Proposed extinguishment of part of Footpath 23 (route to use Footpath 26 instead). Letter from resident of "Tuppenny" (Mr Saunders) refers: Councillors analysed the proposal and decided to record "No Comment".

Footpath 20 (Lake Lane/Hollow Way). Due to 'overgrowth' problem in summertime, caused by insufficient cutting back by County Council, Mr Harrison reported that the parish council

can be reimbursed by the county for any additional or replacement work carried out. Mr Dennis proposed and Mr Matthews seconded that Mr Dennis obtain a quotation from Brian Smith for this work and that this should be discussed at the next meeting. This was agreed by all of the other councillors.

Neighbourhood Watch - Mr Harrison reminded the meeting to be aware of thieves stealing from garages left open or unlocked.

General - Mr Matthews passed on Mrs England's note that, should the Dorset Library Service mobile service not stop in a particular village or a resident cannot get the local library, a service is available direct to the resident's home.

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE.**

WDDC: Letter outlining new system of committees; letter regarding results of last round of consultations over changes at West Bay.

DCC: Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984: Temporary road closure (Walditch Lane from 4th July for 5 days).

Defra: Timetable for implementation of Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act 2005.

Dorset AONB: Report on issues affecting the character of roads & streets in rural Dorset.

The next meeting will be held in Bothenhampton Village Hall on Monday, August 8th 2005 at 7.00pm..

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.11pm.

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

1. Hollow Way, Bothenhampton overhanging trees
2. Bothenhampton village sign
3. Bonscombe Lane: alleged contravention of planning conditions
4. Screening of agricultural building, Walditch