

MINUTES OF THE BOTHENHAMPTON & WALDITCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, BOTHENHAMPTON ON MONDAY 9TH MAY 2005.

Present: Mr Stenning (Chairman), Mr Matthews, Mrs England MBE, Mrs Regan, Mr Harrison, Mr Dennis (left after item 2 of Democratic Half Hour), Mr Stubbs. In attendance: D. R. Barnes (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES.

None

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th April 2005 having been circulated to all members were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING.

Item 13 - Play Areas. It was clarified that Mrs Sawyer, on behalf of the Walditch Village Play Area group, is authorised to purchase, at the parish council's expense, two sets of goal posts/nets, one set for the Walditch Play Area and one set for the Cemetery Field in Lower Walditch.

4. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR.

At 7.24pm the meeting was adjourned to enable members of the public to air their views on matters of local interest. At 7.35pm the meeting re-convened to complete the council's agenda, there being no further matters raised.

5. REPORT BY WDDC COUNCILLORS FOR BOTHENHAMPTON.

Nothing to report.

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

Mr Roberts informed the meeting that in the recent parliamentary election, West Dorset recorded the highest turn-out in the U.K.

7. REPORT BY DCC COUNCILLOR, MR COATSWORTH.

Nothing to report.

8. PLANNING.

A] Applications received from WDDC/DCC:

WDDC:

1/W/05/000046 - Fosse Way, 11 Bowhayes: Extension to bungalow & alteration to pitch roof (amended plan): No comment.

1/W/05/000544 - 6 Coopers Drive: Erect conservatory: No comment.

1/W/05/000559 - Thatch Cottage, Quarry Lane: Erect garden room/study: No Comment.

1/W/05/000576/611/674/675/612: Erect single storey extension to form car port; replace fenestration; infilling glazed screens; conversion of barn into holiday accommodation (reapplication due to expiry of 5 year term): No comment.

1/W/05/000637 - Orchard Cottage, Walditch Road, Walditch: Re-thatch roof and replace rafters: No comment.

1/W/05/000749 - 63 East Road, Bradpole- clerk to return documentation to WDDC - this neighbouring parish application not to be considered by this council.

1/W/05/000682 - Construct 145m of timber sleeper steps and 30m of gravel path leading up to Vodafone mast at Hyde Plantation, Walditch: passed to Mr Stenning for comment.

1/W/05/000713 - 18 Crock Lane: Loft conversion. Passed to Mr Stubbs for comment.

DCC: None.

B] Decisions by WDDC/DCC:

WDDC:

1/W/05/000385 - 18 Elwell: Erect conservatory: Permission refused.

1/W/05/000328 - 40 Maple Gardens: Erect dormer window: Approval given.

1/W/05/000388 - Cherry Tree, Duck Street: erect extension and garage; carry out internal & external alterations: Permission refused.

1/W/05/000046 - Fosse Way, 11 Bowhayes: Erect extension to bungalow and alter pitch roof: Approval given.

DCC: None.

9. FINANCE

A] Statement of Account as at 30 April 2005.

The Clerk informed the meeting of the current position.

B] Accounts for Payment.

Clerk's salary (April).....£256.36

David Landsacapes (grass cutting).....£333.99

DCC (John Holt Play Area repairs).....£1063.38

Valley View Residents Society (notice board).....£34.34

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

10. NEWSLETTER.

It was agreed that the same number of newsletters should be printed as last year, with the current areas of responsibility on the reverse side. Mrs Regan will organise distribution in Bothenhampton, Mr Stenning in Walditch. All proposed by Mrs Regan, seconded by Mr Stenning and agreed by all of the other councillors.

11. REQUESTS FOR GRANTS.

None.

12. PARISH MATTERS.

Footpaths & Roads - The clerk was instructed to chase up the repair of the steps from the high pavement on Main Street, Bothenhampton. Street

Play Areas - The clerk read out a response from the Walditch Village Play Area group in respect of its request for financial assistance for purchase of a bench seat and a table.

Following a brief discussion, the clerk was instructed to find out what was paid to Groves for the seat purchased for the Valley View Amenity Area, by way of comparison. Valley View Amenity Area: Maintenance/planting of shrubbery to be discussed at the August 2005 meeting.

DAPTC - The clerk referred to the Chief Executive's Circular 07-05, which reminded councils

of the indemnified advice the Association gives.

13. CORRESPONDENCE.

WDDC: Letter regarding West Bay Regeneration Project.

The next meeting will be held in Walditch Village Hall at 7.00pm on Monday, June 13th 2005.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.12pm.

MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR:

1. Erection of goal posts at Cemetery Field, Lower Walditch.
2. Areas of responsibility: posting onto notice boards.
3. Felling of trees along Walditch Road.
4. Jellyfields - progress.