

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall, Walditch on Monday 10 January 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]

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 8 November 1999, 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, Rear Admiral Prichard

3. MATTERS ARISING

None

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

As Rear Admiral Pritchard could not attend meeting no report was given.

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. REPLACEMENT OF NOTICE BOARD IN WALDITCH

Mrs.England informed the meeting that the condition of notice board next to the telephone box in Walditch had been brought to her attention. The Clerk confirmed that when it was agreed to replace 4 notice boards this was not one of these identified as in need of replacing. Following a short discussion on its condition it was agreed that Mr.Yates would carry out an inspection of the notice board and report back, so that a decision could be made on whether to repair or replace this notice board.

7. REQUEST FOR GRANTS

None

8. PROVISIONAL LOCAL TRANSPORT PLANS-PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The clerk referred to the information on this matter which had already been sent to all Councillors and following a short discussion on this matter Mr.Yates agreed to attend the meeting on the 31 January 2000 as the Council representative.

9. REQUEST FOR CELEBRATIONS TO MARK THE CLOSING OF BOTHENHAMPTON TIP

The Clerk referred to the letter received on this matter and it was generally agreed that some sort of celebration should take place when the Tip has closed. What form or when this should take place was for the residents of Bothenhampton to decide. Mr. Matthews and Mrs. Regan confirmed that they both hoped to attend the public meeting that was to be held on the 13 January 2000, when this may be decided.

10. FINANCE

[a] The Clerk informed the meeting of the current situation

[b] The following accounts had been paid in December 1999

[1] M.C.Farnham Salary for December 1999 £203.54 plus office rent of £97.50

[c] The following accounts were approved for payment;

[1] M.C.Farnham Salary for January 2000 £203.54 plus expenses £26.88

[2] Jim White work to John Holt Play Area £230.00 [agreed that payment could be made once Mr. Yates had inspected work.]

11. PLANNING

[a] Applications received from WDDC; application 1/W/1999/0687, 29 Manor Fields, Bothenhampton erect 3 No dormer windows. Application 1/W/1999/0704, 4 Hyde Cottages, Walditch part demolition of wash house and extend wash house to form utility room and install 1Nn roof light and carry out internal and external alterations [listed building consent]. Application 1/W/1999/0719, 9 Marsh Gate, Burton Road, Bothenhampton erect dormer window with balcony. Application 1/W/1999/0771, Old Forge Cottage, Lower Walditch Lane, Walditch make alterations to convert the Old Forge from holiday unit to residential unit. Construct new vehicular and pedestrian access. Application 1/W/2000/0004, land adjacent to Blossoms, Quarry Lane, Bothenhampton. Erect house and garage, construct new vehicular and pedestrian access. Application 1/W/1999/0668, Lee Cottage, East Road, Bothenhampton erect 2 No detached houses, 1 No garage make alterations to existing vehicular access and construct new vehicular access [APPLICATION HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN]

[d] Decisions by WDDC; Application No 1/W/1999/0463, Barn Hayes, Walditch Road Walditch erect 2 No dwellings and construct new vehicular and pedestrian access, Permission granted. Application 1/W/1999/0610, 14 Glebe Close, Bothenhampton erect conservatory on rear elevation, permission granted. Application 1/W/1999/0637, Juniper Lodge, mountjoy Road, Bothenhampton, erect 1 No dormer window to rear elevation, permission granted. Application 1/W/1999/0665, 4 Howard Road Lower Walditch Lane, Bothenhampton erect front porch and reae extension, permission granted.

[c] Applications received from DCC; None

[d] Decisions by DCC; 1/W/99/543, Bothenhampton Landfill Site, variation of condition 1 of planning permission 1/W/92/541 to allow the facility to continue operations for a further 12 month2 to 31 December 2000. Permission granted subject to [a] all waste disposal operations shall be completed by 30 April 2000 [b] all importation of soil or soil forming material shall cease by 31 July 2000 and [c] all landscaping, seeding, tree and shrub planting shall be completed by 31 December 2000.

[e] Local Plan Review; The Clerk referred to the papers sent out with the agenda on this matter. Following a detailed discussion on the way to reply and it was proposed by Mrs. Regan and second by Mr. Yates that there was no need for the Parish Council to reply. Individual Councillors had received this information and had been asked to reply as individuals, this was agreed by all the other Councillors.

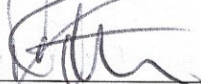
12. REPORTS

- [a] Footpaths and Roads; The Clerk was instructed to write to WDDC asking that a review of existing street nameplates should take place.
- [b] Street Lighting; Column No 9 and light on pole A1024 in Old Church Road are both out.
- [c] Neighbourhood Watch; Mrs.Regan informed the meeting that she had put a letter in the Team News on this subject.
- [d] Conservation and Open Spaces; NTR
- [e] John Halt Play Area; Mr.Yates confirmed that he would check the work carried out by Mr.White and let the Clerk know if everything was satisfactory so that the account from Mr.White could be paid.
- [f] New Walditch Play Area; Mr.Yates reported to the meeting that he had been approached by Mr.Paull, the Surveyor for Bridport Town Council concerning a parcel of land next to the betterment development that is owned by the Town Council. They may be willing to lease this area to the Parish Council for a play area,[the area is already been used by the local children]. It was agreed that Mr.Yates should inform Mr.Paull that in order for this matter to be considered the Town Council should write to the Clerk.
- [g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR

13. CORRESPONDENCE

- [a] DDC; Copy of letter dated 5 January 2000 to Mr.Ffooks concerning path between Old Church Road and Green Lane.
- [b] WDCC; None
- [c] Letters from; Mrs.Ann Ayling dated 24 November 1999, concerning plaque from WDDC. Bothenhampton Residents Association dated 13 December 1999 concerning highway matters. Mr.Ball, Bothenhampton Church Hall, dated 14 December 1999 thanking P.C. for donation of £250.00 towards the cost of replacing the gas heaters in the church hall. S.I.T.A dated 23 December 1999 inviting P.C. to attend opening ceremony of the new Sherborne Waste Management Centre on the 28 January 2000.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 8.45pm.

Date 14/2/2000 Chairman 

MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

- a) Letter for Bothenhampton Residents Association relating to a small number of highway related problem.
- b) Closure of Bothenhampton Tip- additional costs for transferring the waste away.
- c) Bothenhampton Tip Closure Celebration
- d) The New Sub Post Office will open for business on the 17 February 2000.