

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 12 March 2001 7.30pm.

Those present for the monthly meeting were:- Mr.G.Matthews [Chairman], Mr.T.Yates, Professor Eastham, Mr.A.Harrison, Mrs.Regan, Mrs. Ball, Mr.M.C.Farnham [Clerk] In attendance Rear Admiral Pritchard

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 12 February 2001, having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

2. APOLOGIES

Mr.R.Batten, Mrs.England

3. MATTERS ARISING

- a) Mrs.Ball stated that nothing had been done to the state of the green lane by the club at the junction with Quarry Lane. The Clerk did confirm that he had taken the matter with the Highway Authority and will go back to them again.
- b) The Clerk reported that the Area Form Meeting had been cancelled by WDDC because of the current foot and mouth problems.

4. CO-OPTION OF PARSH COUNCILLOR

Mrs.Regan proposed Mr.A.Harrison to be co-opted onto the Parish Council, this was seconded by Mrs.Ball and agreed by all the other Councillors. Mr.Harrison welcomed onto the Parish Council by Mr.Matthews.

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

The Rear Admiral confirmed that he had nothing new to report on the Wych Farm planning application. A possible application may also be coming in relation to the vacate site at St. Andrews trading estate. A similar application has been approved in Blandford but for only 5 years.

6. 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.

7. MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT CONSULTATION PAPER

Mr.Matthews referred to the letter from DETR a copy of which was sent out with the agenda and agreed to circulate the document to all Councillors.

8. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN BRIDPORT "FORA" ROUND 3 MEETING 21 MARCH 2001

The Clerk referred to the letter from DCC a copy of which was sent out with the agenda, the contents of which were noted.

9. MERGER OF SOUTH & WEST DORSET REGISTION DISTRICTS CONSULTATION

The Clerk referred to the letter from DCC a copy of which was sent out with the agenda, the contents of which were noted.

10. FINANCE

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

b] The following accounts were approved for payment

- [1] M.C.Farnham Salary for March plus expenses £ 315.54 *up*
- [2] Hire of Church Hall Bothenhampton for March meeting £13.00

The Clerk also informed the meeting that the following 2 accounts had not been included in the minutes of the January 2001 meeting. Austen Whetham & Guest £766.00 & Battens Solicitors £293.75

Proposed by Professor *Eastham* that these accounts should be paid and seconded by Mrs.Ball and agreed by all other Councillors.

11. REQUEST FOR GRANTS

a] Bradpole Church Preschool, the Clerk referred to the letter sent out with the agenda and following a short discussion on their request, it was agreed that the Clerk should write requesting further details of the number of children from the Parish that currently attend the preschool.

b] The Millennium Centre, the Clerk referred to the letter sent out with the agenda, following a short discussion on the request it was proposed by Mr.Yates that a grant of £100 should be given, this was seconded by Mrs.Regan and agreed by all the other Councillors.

c] West Dorset Woman's Refuge, the Clerk referred to the letter received from Dorchester Town Council a copy of which was sent out with the agenda. Following a short discussion on this matter it was agreed that the Clerk should reply to Dorchester Town Council that if the refuge were to write direct to the Parish Council asking for a donation this would be considered.

12. PLANNING

[a] Applications received from WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/0222 11 Pasture Way Bothenhampton erect wall. Sent to Mr.Yates and was returned No Comments.

[d] Decisions by WDDC; Application 1/W/2000/0633 71Crock Lane Bothenhampton erect single storey rear extension permission granted. Application 1/W/2000/0720 land adjacent to Nordons House, Crock Lane, Bothenhampton erect 8 houses with garages permission granted. Application 1/W/2001/0109 14 Elwell Bothenhampton remove existing sun room & erect conservatory & balcony/terrace.

[c] Applications received from DCC; NONE

[d] Decisions by DCC; None

14. REPORTS

[a] Footpaths and Roads; Green Lane has is still in need of some maintenance. Hollow Way edge of road is in need of repair and the problem of springs still needed looked at.

[b] Street Lighting; NTR

[c] Neighbourhood Watch; Mrs.Regan reported that she was still waiting for the signs from DCC. Clerk to follow up. Also a burglary had taken place in Westown.

[d] Conservation and Open Spaces; NTR.

[e] John Halt Play Area; NTR

[f] New Walditch Play Area; NTR

[g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR

15. CORRESPONDENCE

[a] DDC; Passenger Transport News Letter dated February 2001. Letter dated 27 February 2001 from Right of Ways Section concerning Foot & Mouth Posters.

[b] WDDC; none

[c] Letters from; none

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 8.25pm.

Date 9.4.01 Chairman 

MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

Mr.Ffooks;

a) Notice board at old post office can this be removed?

b) Green Lane next to mens club, He is looking to form a small band of workers to clear the banks etc. along this lane.