

**Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 11 September 2000 7.30pm.**

Those present for the monthly meeting were:-[Chairman] Mr.G.Matthews [Chairman], Mr.R.Batten [Vice Chairman]Mrs.D.M.England MBE, Mr.Yates, Professor Eastham, Mrs. Ball,  
In attendance Mr.M.C.Farnham [Clerk] Rear Admiral Pritchard CB

**1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 14 August 2000, having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed. It was however, noted that the meeting held with representative from WDDC concerning electoral review of the Parish Council, when it was agreed that 2 wards should be created 1 covering Walditch with 3 councillors and 1 other covering Bothenhampton with 6 councillors.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Mrs.Regan

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

a] The Clerk informed the meeting that he had written to DCC re Footpath No 14 and they had written to Mr.Bird confirming that a public inquiry is likely to be held, but this was not expected to take place in the next 12 months.

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

Rear Admiral Pritchard confirmed that he had very little to report on this occasion. WDDC likely rise in Council Tax will be between £7-£8 next year. He also referred to the document we should be receiving concerning the electoral review of WDDC. It will put forward 3 possible changes for consideration. The Clerk confirmed that this document had been received after the agenda for this meeting had been sent out and it would therefore be on the agenda for the October meeting.

**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. DCC BEST VALUE REVIEW OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT FUNCTION IN DORSET**

The Clerk referred to the document received for DCC which had been sent out with the agenda. Following a short discussion on the matter, it was agreed that each Councillor should reply direct.

## **7. 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 ~~October~~ <sup>2000</sup> £203.54 plus expenses of £116.76
  - [2] Bothenhampton Church Hall hire of hall for September meeting. £13.00
  - [3] Jim White August grass cutting £145.00
  - [4] Open Spaces Society subscription for 2000 £25.00

Proposed by Mrs. England that these bills should be paid seconded by Mr. Batten and agreed by all other Councillors.

## **8. REQUEST FOR GRANTS**

None

## **9. PLANNING**

[a] Applications received from WDDC; application 1/W/2000/0495, 75 Crock Lane Bothenhampton, dismantle existing garage and rebuild on extended drive and platform. Construct new vehicular and pedestrian access.

[d] Decisions by WDDC; Application No 1/W/2000/0189, Stonecroft, Marrow Bone Lane, Bothenhampton, erect bungalow and garage [amended plan], permission granted. Application 1/W/2000/403 Lane End Cottage [formerly Allviews] Wych Hill, Bothenhampton, erect dormer window on rear elevation, permission granted. Application 1/W/2000/430, 66 Crock Lane, Bothenhampton, remove existing garage and erect two storey extension with garage, permission granted.

[c] Also 2 letters received;

[1] re Application 1/W/1999/0269 12 Slades Green, Bothenhampton, erect single storey extension, minor amendments to permission already granted.

[2] copy of Agricultural Notification Acknowledgement concerning the erection of farm machinery implement store and farm track at Blueberry Hill Farm, Walditch, Bothenhampton.

[c] Applications received from DCC; None

[d] Decisions by DCC; None

## **10. REPORTS**

[a] Footpaths and Roads; Grass at Wych Hill junction with Burton Road needs to be cut back. Hollow Way DCC have cut back over hanging trees etc.

[b] Street Lighting; The Clerk reported that it had been necessary to replace lamp in a column in Crock Lane.

[c] Neighbourhood Watch; NTR

[d] Conservation and Open Spaces; NTR

[e] John Halt Play Area; NTR



[f] New Walditch Play Area; Mr. Batten gave a short report on the situation and confirmed that the documents for signing will be available shortly in relation to the area for Higher Walditch. Mr. Yates reported that he had spoken to the Bridport Town Council surveyor concerning the possible at Lower Walditch. Development play area and the Clerk was instructed to write to Bridport T.C. confirming the Parish Council possible interest and for them to confirm under what conditions they would let the area of land to the Council.

[g] A35 Communities Initiative; Next meeting will be on the 22 September 2000 and Mr. Yates confirmed that he would be attending.

#### **11. CORRESPONDENCE**

[a] DDC; letter dated 7 September 2000 concerning Footpath No 14.

[b] WDCC; letters dated 15 August and 17 August 2000 concerning Community Premises Licence for Walditch Village Hall.

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

Date 9.10.00 Chairman 

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

a) Footpath No 14 and the provision of staggered barrier

b) Traffic Census of Burton Road 25 August 2000

c) Collection of Waste Bins in Burton Road has this changed from Wednesday to Thursday?