

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 8 January 2001 7.30pm.

Those present for the monthly meeting were:- Mr.G.Matthews [Vice Chairman], Mrs.D.M.England MBE, , Mrs.Regan, Professor Eastham, Mrs. Ball, Mr.M.C.Farnham [Clerk] In attendance D.Peacock CPRE

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 13 November 2000, 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.Yates, Rear Admiral Pritchard

3. MATTERS ARISING

a) Landfill site; The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received a reply to his letter from DCC concerning the enforcement of planning conditions and the contents were noted.

b) John Holt Play Area; The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received a reply to his letter from Mr.Fry concerning repairs to wall and the contents were noted.

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

No report received as Rear Admiral Pritchard as he did not attend the 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. BRIDPORT TOWN COUNCIL "PARISH PARTNERSHIP"

Professor Eastham referred to his short report and the minutes of the meeting held on the 6 December 2000, which was sent out with the agenda. Mrs.England commented on the Market & Coastal Towns Regeneration Initiative, which are to address what is the vision of the area in 20 years time. The next meeting of the Regeneration Sub Committee will be on the 20 March 2001.

7. THE WHITE PAPER ON OUR COUNTRYSIDE THE FUTURE A FAIR DEAL FOR RURAL ENGLAND

The Clerk referred to the summary of the White Paper sent out with the agenda on this matter. A full copy of the White Paper is available and it was agreed that this would be passed between the Councillors to read.

8. PRESERVING ACCESS TO POST OFFICES IN RUARL AREAS

The Clerk referred to the papers sent out with the agenda and confirmed that the full paper had been passed to Mrs.Regan. Mrs.Regan made a short report on the paper and it was agreed that her comments should be passed onto the DAPTC.

9. DCC WAKE UP TO WASTE

The Clerk referred to the papers previously sent to all Councillors and it was agreed that each Councillor would reply as an individual on this matter.

10. DCC YOUTH & COMMUNITY SERVICE REVIEW

The Clerk referred to the questionnaire received and following a short discussion on the matter Mrs.Ball agreed to pass it on to the local group that use the Church Hall.

11. FINANCE

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

b) The following payments were made in December 2000

- [1] M.C.Farnham Salary for December £203.54
plus office rent for period October to December 2000 £97.50

c) The following accounts were approved for payment;

- [1] M.C.Farnham Salary for January 2001 £203.54
plus expenses of £30.49 for the period 12 Sept. to 8 Jan 2001
- [2] SWEB supply of electricity for street lights 4 quarter £283.74
- [3] SEC repair of street light £18.80

Proposed by Mrs.England that these accounts should be paid and seconded by Mrs.Regan and agreed by all other Councillors.

12. REQUEST FOR GRANTS

None

13. PLANNING

[a] Applications received from WDDC; Application No 1/W/2000/0633 71 Crock Lane Bothenhampton, erect single storey rear extension. Application No 1/W/2000/0610 2 Howard Road Bothenhampton, erect two storey extension. Application No 1/W/2000/0710 5 Lake Lane Bothenhampton, demolish existing conservatory and erect new extension. Application No 1/W/2000/0720 land adjacent to Nordons House, Crock Lane, erect 8 house with garages. Application 1/W/2000/0737, 5 Hyde Cottages, Wladitch, partial demolition to remove internal partitions install new windows and casement doors and make internal alterations. Application 1/W/2000/0762, Kapyla, Walditch, erect single storey extension over garage to form extended study. Application 1/W/2000/0777, 1 Howard road Bothenhampton, erect 2 storey extension. Application 1/W/2000/0785; Land end Cottage, Wych Hill, Bothenhampton, erect dormer window to south elevation to replace existing balcony at first floor.

[d] Decisions by WDDC; Application No 1/W/2000/0710, 5 Lake Lane, Bothenhampton permission granted.

[c] Applications received from DCC; NONE

[d] Decisions by DCC; None

14. REPORTS

[a] Footpaths and Roads; Name plate in Valley road has been painted. Springs are appearing in a number of places because of the very heavy rain, the one at the junction of Hollow Way and Sea Road South has been reported to DCC because of the ice that forms.

[b] Street Lighting; light out in Old Church Road, this has been reported.

[c] Neighbourhood Watch; Mrs.Regan is still following up the additional signs.

[d] Conservation and Open Spaces; The open space within the Lower Walditch development still has a lot of brick and other materials on it. This still needs to be sorted out by WDDC before the Parish Council take over responsibility for the area.

[e] John Halt Play Area; Mrs.Regan reported that the bin was still not being emptied on a regular basis, she will take up with WDDC.

[f] New Walditch Play Area; Mr.Matthews informed the meeting that he had the documents for signing to take over the freehold the area. It was proposed by Mrs.Regan and second by Mrs.England that the Chairman & Vice Chairman sign the legal documents on behalf of the Parish Council, this was agreed by all the other Councillors. It was also agreed that a sub committee should be set up to deal with the work required to make the area into play area.

[g] A35 Communities Initiative; Mrs.Regan referred to her letter dated 5 December 2000 which had been sent to all Councillors and she introduced Mr.Peacock for CPRE who made a presentation to the Council. Following a discussion on this matter it was proposed by Mrs.Regan and seconded by Mrs.England that the Parish Council support the report for detrunking of the A35 between Honiton & Dorchester, this was agreed by all the other Councillors.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

[a] DDC; none

[b] WDDC; letter dated 8 November 2000 concerning the review of the District Council Electoral arrangements. Copy of Register of Electors for 2001. Letter date 1 December 2000 concerning the review of electoral arrangement for the Parish. Letter dated 6 December 2000 concerning the re-copping of sycamore trees at the Old Rectory Bothenhampton. Letter dated 2 January 2001 concerning the restructuring of the Development Control teams. Notes of the Bridport Area Forum held on the 19 October 2000.

[c] Letters from; Letter dated 2 January 2001 from Mr.Ball thanking the Parish Council for its support for grants towards repairs to Bothenhampton Church Hall. Letter dated 4 December from Bridport & District CAB thanking the Parish Council for its grant. Letter dated 12 December 2000 from Bridport Town Council supporting the proposal by WDDC to create an open space at Jellyfield in Lower Wladitch.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 10.10pm.

Date 12.2.01 Chairman 

MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

Mr.Ffooks;

a) Damaged notice board in Pasture Way

b) dates of monthly meetings to by put on notice boards

c) Bothenhampton Res. Ass. have sent letter to DCC against the siting of the new waste transfer station being in Burton Road.

d) suggested that the old Par factory in St Andrews Industrial estate could be suitable site.

e) could the bulky household site in South Street remain?

f) Mr.T.Harrison put himself forward for co-option as a Parish Councillor.