

BOTHENHAMPTON & WALDITCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the church hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 10 October 1994 at 7.30pm

Present. Mr G Matthews (Chairman)
Mr C Casstles
Mr C Horton
Mr R Batten

Mr F Botheam
Mr G Warburton
Mr D Blythe
Mrs D England MBE
Mr D Wilson (Clerk)

In attendance: Rear Admiral G Pritchard CB Cty Clr.

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 1994 at Walditch having been circulated, were accepted as a true record of that meeting and duly signed.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

Mrs F Ball

Dist Clr D Cracknell OBE

3. MATTERS ARISING

a. Track past Bridleway. The Clerk gave details of the reply received from Principal Engineer, West Dorset District Council. The Clerk was instructed to write to WDDC regarding the drainage system in Quarry Lane/Village Street area suggesting that a TV camera should be put down the pipe in order to trace its full route, to determine just where the blockage occurs, and to alleviate further flooding in this area.

b. Rights of Way - Bothenhampton. It was resolved that a working party of Clrs Casstles, England and Warburton should look into the needs of the council regarding the improvement and signing of the rights of way within the parish boundaries, in consultation with the Ramblers Association and the Rights of Way Assistant, Dorset County Council.

4. REPORTS

a. Rear Admiral Pritchard had nothing to report from the County Council.

5. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR.

At this point the public were given the opportunity to air their views on local matters.

6. FINANCE

a. The following accounts were agreed for payment:

Mr F Botham Councillors expenses	£ 15.86
SWEB Energy charges to 30 Sep '94	365.84
Jim White Grass cutting Sep '94	63.44
DCC Holy Trinity Church, Bothenhampton Grant as agreed Jan '94 minute No 6b.	375.00
Bothenhampton Church Hall Hire of hall for Oct meeting	11.00
Hotprint Photocopying for Aug, Sep & Oct '94	12.77

b. Details of the statement of accounts as at 30 Sep '94 were circulated to all councillors.

c. The outline budget proposals were discussed. Various items were suggested and the Clerk was instructed to prepare a full budget proposal for the next council meeting. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the Sub Post Master, Bothenhampton for the transfer of the funds held by him for improvements to the John Holt Play Area, to the Parish Council account.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a. The following applications have been received by WDDC:

No 1/W/94/0541F - DEL 'Hainault' 26 Bowhayes, Bothenhampton
No observations

No 1/W/94/0526F - DEL 1 Elwell, Bothenhampton
No observations

b. The following decisions were announced by WDDC:

1/W/94/0408P, Fourwinds, Mount Joy, Bothenhampton
1/W/94/0442F 26 Pasture Way, Bothenhampton
1/W?94/0440F Wych Elm, Wych Hill, Bothenhampton

8. REPORTS

a. Footpaths and Roads. Cllr Botham drew the meetings attention to the detail of speed control in villages as outlined in DAPTC Newsletter 58/94. After some discussion it was resolved to take no further action at present, but to monitor the situation as it applies to Walditch and report back at a later meeting.

b. Street lighting. It was agreed to obtain an estimate for a light to be put on the pole adjacent to Spring Hayes bungalow in Old Church Road.

c. John Holt Play Area.

[1] The Clerk drew attention to the need for the new byelaws to be clearly displayed at the entrance to the play area. The initial estimate is £360. The Council were also informed that Drinkwater Sabey had been approached with a view to their sponsorship of this notice board. It was agreed to await their decision. If this was not successful then consideration would be given to the purchase of the necessary board in accordance with the estimate received.

[2] The inspection of play equipment has not yet taken place. All the bark safety surfacing has now been completed. It was resolved to include a sum in the next budget for the replacement and upgrading of the play equipment.

d. Neighbourhood watch. NTR. The Community Police Officer is still off sick.

e. Conservation & Open spaces. The chairman gave details of the recent meeting of the management committee and its proposals for the coming year.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk gave details of the following correspondence received:

Citizens' Advice Bureau - Thanks for donation
Capt Johnson - Thanks for donation to Walditch church
Dorset Tourism:
 VE Day - Dorset NFA
 Looking ahead with Dorset tourism - NFA
Help the Aged Newsletter 1/94 - NFA
Dorset County Council
 Working with Town and Parish Councils - NFA
 County Records Office Open Afternoon - NFA
DAP&TC
 County Secretary's Circulars 20, 21,22,
 Annual General meeting 15 Oct '94
 Executive Committee meeting minutes 10 Sep '94
Dorset Rural Development Strategy - Passed to Chairman.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 9.00pm.

Date 14. 11. 94

Chairman 