

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall Walditch on Monday 10 July 2000 7.30pm.

Those present for the monthly meeting were:- Mr.Matthews,[Chairman] Mrs.England, Mrs.Ball, Mr. Yates, Professor Eastham, in attendance M.C.Farnham [Clerk] Rear Admiral Pritchard

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 12 June 2000 having been circulated to all members was accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

2. APOLOGIES

Mrs.Regan, Mr.Batten,

3. MATTERS ARISING

[a] Mr.Matthews confirmed that he had spoken with the Parish Council Solicitor Mr.Salt concerning the signing of the agreement for the land for the new play area in Walditch. Mr.Salt and sent him a copy of his letter dated 13 June 2000 to Batten & Co Solicitors who are acting on the behalf of Mr.Gundry. To date he has not received any reply. Following a short discussion on this matter it was agreed that Mrs.Ball would try and see Mr.Gundy.

[b] The Clerk confirmed that he had contacted the Area Highway Maintenance Office concerning the overhanging plants at May Cottage and they had agreed to take the matter up direct with the occupier.

[c] The Clerk confirmed that the meeting with West Dorset District Council concerning the review of the electoral arrangements had been agreed. The meeting will take place before the start of the next monthly meeting on the 14 August at 7.00pm.

4. PROPOSED WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE BURTON ROAD

The Clerk confirmed that following the report in the Bridport News on the 30 June 2000 he had spoken directly with Mr.Spencer the Director of Environmental Services at Dorset County Council on this matter, as Dorset County Council is the Waste Planning Authority. Mr.Spencer was able to confirm that that contractor SITA have been in contract with DCC concerning a possible planning application at Wych Farm. DCC have advised SITA n the planing matters that they will need to address and that to dated no application had been received. Mr.Spencer assured the Clerk that they would deal with any planning application in the appropriate manner. Mr.Spencer felt that until an application had been receives it would be inappropriate for him to comment any further. The Clerk also reported that he had received a letter on the 8 July 2000 for consultants working on behalf of SITA requesting that they attend the next meeting on the Parish Council so that the may make a presentation on this matter. Following a discussion on the matter it was agreed that a presentation should take place. The Clerk also informed the meeting that he had suggested to the consultants that a display showing details of the proposals should be held in the Bothenhampton church hall before the next meeting, he understood that they would try and arrange this.

5. REPORT BY COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REAR ADMIRAL PRITCHARD

The Rear Admiral confirmed that no application had been received to date and that by letting the consultants make their presentation the Parish Council has the opportunity to raise issues that could result that no application for this site is made. It is necessary to make objections on planning grounds such as the visual impact the development would have on the area, flat land on which trees do not grow. The resort of West Bay could be greatly effected. Traffic management would have to be considered as access etc. could cause a danger to other road users. Just because the Wessex Water Site was one of last resort does not mean that SITA can use this to their own ends.

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. DCC HIGHWAY STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2000/2001

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 20 June 2000 from DCC concerning this matter, copy of which was sent out with the agenda. The programme was noted and that it was agreed that the Councillors would arrange to meet the DCC representative direct concerning the surfacing of Crock Lane.

8. DCC PROPOSED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ORDER WALDITCH LANE, EAST ROAD JUNCTION

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 12 June 2000 from DCC concerning this matter, copy of which was sent out with the agenda. This matter was discussed and it was agreed that the Clerk should write back confirming that this proposal was not what the Parish Council requested and to confirm that all traffic should not be allowed to park in Walditch Lane between its junction with East Road and the mini roundabout.

9. A35 COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE PARISH COUNCILLORS SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS

The Clerk referred to the letter from Mrs. Regan dated 25 June 2000 concerning this matter, a copy of which was sent out with the agenda. Other than the suggestion put forward by Mrs. Regan that all traffic must turn left out of Hollow Way at its junction with Sea Road South, it was agreed that the provision of a cycle path along Sea Road South should also be put forward.

10. FINANCE

- [a] The clerk informed the meeting of the current situation
- [b] M.C.Farnham salary July 2000 £203.54
Jim White grass cutting for June 2000 [2 cuts] £290.00
SWEB second quarter electricity £280.61
SEC street lighting maintenance for 2000 £373.65

Proposed by Mr. Yates that the above bills should be paid and seconded by Mrs. Ball and agreed by all the other Councillors.

11. REQUESTS FOR GRANTS

NONE

12. PLANNING

- [a] Applications received from WDDC; application 1/W/2000/0364 34 Crock Lane, Bothenhampton erect extension to existing basement with conservatory over, sent back "No Comments".
- [b] Decisions by WDDC; None
- [c] Applications received from DCC; None
- [d] Decisions by DCC; application 1/W/2000/097 Sewage Treatment Works at Wych Farm, variation of condition of PA 1/W/98/064 and condition 18 of PA 1/W/98/382 to amend permitted noise levels. Permission granted.

14. REPORTS

- [a] Footpaths and Roads; It was reported that a new nameplate for Green Lane is required.
- [b] Street Lighting; Nothing to report [NTR].
- [c] Neighbourhood Watch; NTR
- [d] Conservation & Open Spaces; NTR
- [e] John Holt Play Area; NTR
- [f] New Play Area; NTR
- [g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR

15. CORRESPONDANCE

- [a] DCC; letter dated 21 June 2000 concerning publication of the Dorset Minerals & Waste Local Plan. Letter dated June 2000 concerning Milestones Millennium Celebration.
- [b] WDDC; Booklet on guidance for speaking at planning committees
- [c] DAPTC; circular on DAPTC staff holidays and annual general meeting.

16. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Quotation for repairs to 2 notice boards. The Clerk opened the quotation requested by Mr. Yates in relation to the repair and resting of the notice board in the John Holt play area and the repair of the notice board by the telephone box in Walditch. It was proposed by Mr. Matthews that the quotation received from Ivor Parker for the above work in the sum of £225.55 be accepted this was seconded by Mrs. England and agreed by all the other Councillors.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Date 14.8.00 Chairman 

MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

- [1] Suggested that the Parish Council should visit the Waste Management Site at Sherborne to see a new site in operation.
- [2] ownership of the bank in Hollow Way
- [3] Lower Walditch Lane drainage and grass cutting