

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 10 September 2001 7.30pm.

Present:- Mr.Matthews [Chairman], Professor Eastham [Vice Chairman] Mrs.Regan, Mr.Yates, Mrs.England, Mr.Harrison, Mr.Batten attendance M.C.Farnham [Clerk] Rear Admiral Pritchard,

### **1] MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 13 August 2001 having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

### **2 APOLOGIES**

Mrs.Ball

### **3 MATTERS ARISING**

1] Information for Web Page; The Clerk confirmed that this item should have been included as an agenda item, but was omitted. He had prepared a list of items to be put on the page and asked if it could be dealt with as a matter arising, this was agreed by all the Councillors. The following items will be put on the page addresses of all the Councillors, plus telephone numbers of those that agreed. Details of the Clerk i.e. address only and a list of the dates and location of monthly meetings. It was also agreed that the following items might be added at a later date, agendas and minutes of the meetings.

### **4 REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REAR ADMIRAL PRITCHARD**

The Rear Admiral confirmed that he was not happy with the arrangements for the management of "Jellyfields" at Lower Walditch and suggested that this must be set up by WDDC and that the Parish Council should be represented on this group. Valley Road has weeds growing out of the road surface again, this has been reported and will be attended too. He noted that the storm storage capacity for abnormal rainfall has been included in the agenda, it was his opinion that the lack of this provision was not helping with the other problems that exist on this site.

### **5. REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR Mr.COATSWORTH**

Mr.Coatworth did not attend the meeting and therefore no report was given.

### **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 PROPOSED PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL PELICAN OR TOUCAN CROSSING ON SEA ROAD SOUTH NEAR SAFEWAYS**

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 21 August 2001 from Councillor Coatsworth to Oliver Letwin MP on the provision of an additional crossing at the south end of Sea Road South near Safeways, copy of which was sent out with the agenda. Following a short discussion on this matter it was proposed by Mr.Yates and second by Professor Eastham that a letter of support should be sent, this was agreed by all the other Councillors.

## **8 WESSEX WATER - STORM STORAGE CAPACITY WYCH FARM SITE**

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 9 August 2001 received from Wessex Water concerning the provision of storm storage tanks at their Burton Road site. The contents of this letter were noted. Once a planning application for this development is received a possible joint Responses with Bridport Town Council would be considered.

## **9. NEW WALDITCH PLAY AREA PUBLIC MEETING**

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 30 August 2001 received from the secretary of the Walditch Village Hall Committee asking for information on the New Walditch Play area. Mr. Batten informed the meeting that a open meeting in Walditch will be arranged once the overhead electric cables have been removed and placed underground and the removal of trees as agreed with the WDDC Tree Officer. Access will be near to the village green. No play equipment will be provided and it was not the intention to provide any high level fencing.

## **10. DORSET CHILDRENS INFORMATION SERVICES**

The Clerk referred to the letter dated 22 August 2001 from DCC Social Services the contents of which were noted.

## **11. PLANNING**

- a) Applications received from WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/1226 14 South Lawns, Bothenhampton erect single storey extension, returned "no comments". Application 1/W/2001/1258 11 Mountjoy Bothenhampton remove chimneys, erect 1 dormer window to north elevation together with roof lights, east and west elevations returned " no comments".
- b) Decisions by WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/0897 49 Howard Road, Bothenhampton erect single storey extension, permission granted. Application 1/W/2001/0941 16 Elwell Bothenhampton erect dormer windows permission granted.
- c) Applications received from DCC; None
- d) Decisions by DCC; 1/W/2001/986 Former Landfill Site Long Lane, construction & installation of flare stack permission granted.

## **12 FINANCE**

- a) The Clerk informed the meeting of the current situation.
- b) The following accounts were approved for payment.
  - [1] Jim White August grass cutting £145.00
  - [2] MC.Farnham Salary September 2001 £203.54 plus Office Rent £97.50 & Expenses £15.19
  - [3] Hire of Walditch Hall August 2001 £15.00
  - [4] Hire of Bothenhampton Church Hall 26 July 2001 & 19 September 2001 total £30.00

Proposed by Mr. Batten that these accounts should be paid and seconded by Mr. Yates and agreed by all other Councillors.

## **13 REQUEST FOR GRANTS**

The Clerk confirmed that he had received a request for the annual grant towards the upkeep of both churchyards. He also confirmed that the following sums were included in the precept, Bothenhampton Church £900, Walditch Church £550. It was proposed by Mr. Matthews that both these amounts be paid this was seconded by Mr. Yates and agreed by all the other Councillors.

#### 14. REPORTS

[a] Footpaths & Roads; hedge cutting had taken place in Cock Lane, but no clearing up afterwards appeared to have taken place.

[b] Street Lighting; The lights reported out in Crock Lane do not appear to have been attended too.

[c] Neighbourhood Watch; NTR but it was suggested that this could be an item to include on the Parish Web Page.

[d] Conservation & Open Spaces; Jellyfields, Professor Eastham agreed to be the Parish representative on the management group proposed by Rear Admiral Pritchard. Open Space Howard Road Professor Asthma reported that he was still awaiting details from WDDC on the minimum standards for this area, before the Parish Council could agree to take over the responsibility for this area.

[e] John Holt Play Area; NTR

[f] New Walditch Play Area; The new play area in Upper Walditch had been discussed under item 9 above. In the democratic half hour the land owned by Bridport Town Council in Lower Walditch was raised and it was agreed that this should be included on the agenda for the October meeting.

[g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR

[h] Market & Coastal Town Initiative; Mr. Harrison gave out copies of the agenda of the September meeting and confirmed that the next meeting will be held on the 8 November 2001.

#### 15 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

[a] DCC; Passenger Transport News letter dated August 2001.

[b] WDDC; letter dated 6 September 2001 concerning the cutting down of Leyland Cypress Trees at Ernwell, Old Church Road, Bothenhampton.

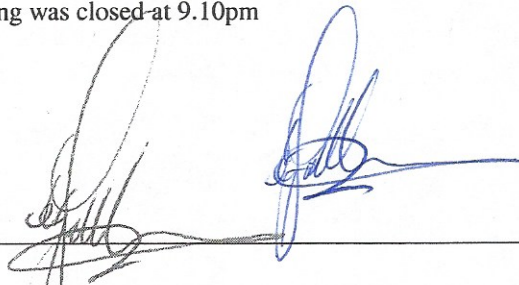
[c] 2 letters of thanks for grants. One from Bradpole Church Pre-School, the other from Women's Royal Voluntary Service. Letter from Bridport Town Council received 6 September 2001 concerning the Bridport Community Planning Group to be held on the 6 September 2001.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 9.10pm

Date

8/10/01

Chairman



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

[1] Confirmation that the residents in the Development in Lower Walditch had formed the "Valley View Residents Society" and could we send them the agenda of the monthly meetings as we currently do for the Bothenhampton Residents Association.

[2] Possible provision of Play Area in the Lower Walditch Development on land owned by Bridport Town Council.

[3] Play area in Upper Walditch