

**Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 13 October 1997 7.30pm.**

Present: Mr.R.C.Batten [Chairman], Mr.F.R.Botham, Mr.P.G.Hulbert, Mrs.F.M.Ball, Mrs.D.M.England MBE, Mr.J.E.Mitchell, Mr.M.C.Farnham [Clerk]  
In attendance; Rear Admiral Pritchard CB

**1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 8 September 1997, having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Mr.G.L.Matthews

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

[a] Parish Review; the Clerk informed the meeting of the 2 letters received from WDDC.

[b] Election of 2 new Councillors; the clerk informed the meeting of letter received from WDDC and the notices he had put up.

**4. 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. A list of items raised is attached at the end of the minutes.

**5. REPORT BY COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REAR ADMIRAL PRITCHARD CB**

The Rear Admiral informed the meeting that the Parish Review Panel had been set up and that at some stage the Parish Council will be asked for its view and why the Parish Council wanted to go down the line. He suggested that the Parish Council should now put its view forward.

**6. REQUEST FOR GRANTS**

The Clerk referred to the letter received from Winged Fellowship [respite care and holidays for disabled people] a copy of which was attached to the agenda. Following a short discussion it was proposed by Mrs.England and seconded by Mrs.Ball that we should decline to make a grant on this occasion, this was agreed by all the other Councillors.

**7. MEETING WITH WESSEX WATER AND WDDC CONCERNING SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS AT WYCH FARM**

The Clerk referred to the minutes of the above meeting attended by Mrs.England and Mr.Botham a copy of which was to the agenda. Mrs.England gave short verbal report on the meeting.

## **8. NOTICE BOARDS**

The Clerk reported to the meeting on the cost of laminating the notice of meeting sheets that could be fixed to open notice boards. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Bridport Town Council for the name of the supplier of their open notice boards and report back to a later meeting.

## **9. BRIDPORT AREA FORUM**

The Clerk referred to the letter attached to the agenda received from WDDC concerning the next forum meeting to be held on the 11 November 1997. It was agreed that if anyone had any items that they would like to have included on the agenda for the above meeting that should let the Clerk have the details by the 28 October 1997.

## **10. FINANCE**

[a] The Clerk informed the meeting of the current situation.

[b] The following accounts were approved for payment;

- [1] Hire of Walditch Village Hall August 1997
- [2] Jim White Sept 1997 grass cutting etc. £114.55
- [3] Hire of Bothenhampton Church Hall on the 8 Sept. and 13 Oct. 1997 £24.00
- [4] DAPTC subs for 1997 £288.41
- [5] DAPTC invoice 148 Planning Seminar £14.00
- [6] Bothenhampton Church upkeep of churchyard second half year payment £375.00
- [7] SWEB street lighting power supply £282.16
- [8] M.C.Farnham Salary for October 1997 £183.83

## **11. PLANNING**

[a]. Applications received from WDDC; Applications No. 1/W/1997/0549 & 0550 field 2745 South of Walditch Road, Bothenhampton erection of 2 agricultural buildings to house sheep. These applications had already been discussed in the democratic half hour at some length. Mr. Batten read out a draft of comments to WDDC. Mrs. England proposed that these comments be sent to WDDC, this was seconded by Mr. Mitchell. This was agreed by all the other Councillors except Mr. Hulbert who was against these applications.

[b]. Decisions by WDDC; Applications No. 1/W/1997/0257 & 0258 Berry Farm, Lower Walditch Lane, Walditch alterations to convert barns to living accommodation etc. Application 1/W/1997/0395 Church Farm, Bothenhampton construct concrete road etc.

## **12. REPORTS**

[a] Footpaths and Roads; A35 access to Lower Walditch development Clerk to chase Highway Agency.

[b] Street Lighting; NTR

[c] Neighbourhood Watch; Mr. Hulbert informed the meeting that he had given a talk to Walditch Parishes.

[d] Conservation and Open Spaces; NTR

[e] John Holt Play Area; NTR

### 13. CORRESPONDENCE

- [a] DDC; Environmental Services letter dated 11 Sept. 1997 Rights of Way Milestones programme work in Bothenhampton.
- [b] WDDC; NTR
- [c] DAPTC; Annual General Meeting Agenda, Circular 30/97 Governments Review of Pensions, 31/97 DETR Consultation on Village Shop Rate Relief. Newsletter Sept. 1997
- [d] Dorset Rural Development Strategy Annual Review 1996/97.
- [e] letter from Mr. C.W.R. Palmer dated 26 Sept. 1997 concerning speed limit along Burton Road.
- [f] Letter from St. James's Palace thanking the Parish for its' letter to The Prince of Wales.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 9.50pm.

Date 10/11/97, Chairman 

#### **List of items raised in the Democratic Half Hour and noted by the Parish Council**

- a) Mr. Fooks; [1] thanks for cheque for John Miller Trust
- [2] Wych Farm and the siting of the Waste Transfer Station with the proposed Sewage Treatment Works.
- [3] provision and maintenance of seats.
- b) Mr. Davies [1] applications for the erection of barns in Walditch.