

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall, Walditch on Monday 12 November 2001 7.30pm.

Present:- Mr.Matthews [Chairman], Mrs.Regan, Mr.Yates, Mrs.England, Mrs.Clements in attendance
M.C.Farnham [Clerk] Rear Admiral Pritchard, Mr.Coataworth

1 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 8 October 2001 having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

2 APOLOGIES

Mrs.Ball, Mr.Harrison, Professor Eastham

Mr.Matthews also informed the meeting that Mr.Batten would not be attending as he had verbally registered his resignation to Mr.Matthews. Mr.Matthews confirmed that he had asked for this to be put in writing.

3 MATTERS ARISING

a] Possible play are in the lower Walditch development; The Clerk referred to a report in the Bridport News and confirmed that he had written to Bridport Town Council on the 18 October 2001 informed them that the Parish Council wished to lease the area concerned. The Clerk undertook to follow this matter up with the Town Council.

B] Bothenhampton Web site; The Clerk confirmed that he had passed the agreed details to Mr.Bird.

4 REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REAR ADMIRAL PRITCHARD

Rear Admiral Pritchard referred to the document sent out by the Local Government Commission for England concerning the periodic electoral review of West Dorset District Council and the fact that it recommends that Bothenhampton should join with Bridport South and Walditch join with Loders. He did ask why the Parish did not send in our objections to this proposal? He did confirm that he had written to the commission recommending that the Parish should join with Loders as a single 2 member ward. The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council did respond in November 2000 to WDDC when they put forward their proposals but these do not appear to have been passed on by WDDC. The Clerk also stated that as the above document from the Local Government Commission had only been in October 2001, this would be the first time the Parish Council had the opportunity to discuss the matter and then reply.

5. REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR Mr.COATSWORTH

Mr.Coatsworth reported that the deodoriser control unit should be installed at the Wessex Water treatment centre in Burton Road in the very near future. Further work is also to be carried out on the pumping station. He confirmed that Wessex Water has also put in a Planning Application for the installation of storm water tanks, which will need to meet E.C. regulations. He also confirmed that there was still no further news on the proposed Waste Transfer Station.

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. NHS SOUTH WEST REGION CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS TO ESTABLISH A NEW STRATEGIC HEALTH AUTHORITY FOR SOMERSET & DORSET

The Clerk referred to the document that had been circulated and the contents of which had been noted.

8 MARKET & COASTAL TOWNS INITIATIVE

Mr. Matthews read out the minutes of the meeting held on the 25 October 2001, the contents of which were noted.

9 PERIODIC ELECTRICAL REVIEW OF WEST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL - DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

The Clerk referred to the documents sent out with the agenda. Following a discussion on this matter and taking into account the matter raised earlier in the meeting by Rear Admiral Pritchard, it was proposed by Mr. Yates that the Parish Council supports the joining of the Parish Council with Loders Parish Council to form a single 2 member ward. This was seconded by Mr. Matthews and agreed by all the other Councillors.

10. DCA CONFERENCE ON GOOD PRACTICE IN RELATION TO LOCAL REGENERATION

The Clerk referred to the document sent out with the agenda and this was noted.

11. MEMBERSHIP OF CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

The Clerk referred to the letter sent out with the agenda and this was noted.

12. PLANNING

a] Applications received from WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/1466 15 Howard Close Bothenhampton erect two storey extension returned "No comments". Application 1/W/2001/1476 5 Lake Lane Bothenhampton erect conservatory returned "No comments". Application 1/W/2001/1532 Windcroft Mountjoy, Bothenhampton reconstruct existing utility room and erect new hipped roof returned "No comments". Application 1/W/2001/1564 15 Uplands Walditch erect first floor extension returned "No comments". Application 1/W/2001/1071 Briarwood House, Bothenhampton further amended drawings had been received returned "No comments in relation to amended plan, however would suggest that a plan showing the floor levels of all three properties should be requested". This application is now to be put to the Development Control West Committee on the 15 November 2001 to be held at the Bridport Leisure Centre. Application 1/W/2001/1349 1 Cross Roads, Walditch erect sun deck original application returned "No comments" this is also to be put to the meeting on the 15 November 2001. Application 1/W/2001/1422 extend existing balcony with timber decking, further information received, however it was not what had been requested.

b] Decisions by WDDC; Application 1/W/2001/1226 14 South Lawns, Bothenhampton erect single storey extension permission granted. Application 1/W/2001/1258 11 Mountjoy, Bothenhampton remove chimneys, erect 1 No dormer window to north elevation together with rooflights to south, east and west elevations permission granted. Application 1/W/2001/1285 Land End Cottage, Wych Hill, Bothenhampton erect conservatory permission granted. Application 1362 Four Winds 15 Mountjoy, Bothenhampton erect single and two storey extensions and carry out alterations permission granted. Application 1/W/2001/1375 9 Uplands Walditch erect conservatory permission granted.

13 FINANCE

- a] The Clerk informed the meeting of the current situation.
- b] The following accounts were approved for payment.
 - [1] Jim White September grass cutting £145.00
 - [2] MC.Farnham Salary October 2001 £203.54
 - [3] Dorset County Council provision of "no ball games" signs £47.00
 - [4] Hire of Bothenhampton Church Hall 8 October 2001£12.00
 - [5] SWEB electricity for street lights £303.03

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

14 REQUEST FOR GRANTS

None

15. REPORTS

- [a] Footpaths & Roads; NTR
- [b] Street Lighting; Column No.13 the light is still flashing.
- [c] Neighbourhood Watch; NTR
- [d] Conservation & Open Spaces;
- [e] John Holt Play Area; NTR
- [f] New Walditch Play Area; This matter was already discussed in the democratic half hour, Mr.Batten had informed the Clerk that the tree surgeon had not got back to him concerning the cutting do of the trees had been agreed with the Tree Officer dorm WDDC. In the meantime the Tree Officer had informed Mr.Batten that funding could be available next financial year for landscaping work to the area. An application should be sent in, in February 2002.
- [g] A35 Communities Initiative; NTR
- [h] Market & Coastal Town Initiative; This matter was covered in Item 11 above.

15 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- [a] DCC; Copy of letter dated 17 September 2001 to Councillor Coatsworth concerning Sea Road South.
- [b] WDDC; letter dated 14 September 2001 concerning removal of monterey cypress trees at May Cottage Old Church Road, Bothenhampton. Letter dated 17 September 2001 concerning refuse collection arrangements at Christmas & new year. Copy of the agenda for the Standards Committee on the 26 September 2001. Leftlet on abandoned cars.
- [c] Dorset Community Action booklet on "Dorset Poverty Mapping 200". Letter from Hyder Consulting on the A30/A35/A31 Exeter to Southampton Route Management Strategy Autumn Newsletter.

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

Date

12.11.01

Chairman



MATTERS RAISED IN THE DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

- [1] Open Space within the Lower Walditch Development.
- [2] A pothole in Long Lane needs filling.
- [3] Play area in Upper Walditch update on current situation.
- [4] Could copies of Parish minutes be available in Bridport Library.
- [5] Drugs awareness day
- [6] Current state of open space in Lower Walditch development.