

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 7 September 1997 7.30pm.

Present: Mr.R.C.Batten [Chairman], Mr.G.L.Matthews, 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 11 August 1997, having been circulated to all members, were accepted as a true record of the meeting and duly signed.

2. APOLOGIES

None

3. MATTERS ARISING

[a] Hedge junction of Main Street & Crock Lane Bothenhampton; the Clerk was asked to raise this matter with the Area Highways Manager again.

[b] Notice Boards; the Clerk informed the meeting that he was still awaiting details of the type of Notice Boards available. It was agreed that this would be put onto the agenda for the October meeting.

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 Planning Application extend the licence for the Bothenhampton site had been agreed until the 31 January 1998 and not the 31 May 1998 as requested. The South Street Site should be up and running etc. by the 31 January 1998. We should now turn our attention to the future and finding a permanent site. An officers working group was set up in 1996 and it had looked at 18 sites. BFI have not really positive about this matter and the resent advert had been a childish practise.

6. REQUEST FOR GRANTS

None

7. PROVISION OF PERMANENT MEMORIAL IN MEMORY OF DIANA PRINCESS OF WALES

Mr.Botham requested if the Parish Council would consider the provision of a plaque within the Parish. This matter was discussed and it was agreed that this matter would be held over until it was known what other Local Councils intended to do.

8. 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 August 1997 grass cutting etc. £114.55
 - [3] Connect South West £35.26
 - [4] Grant to Bridport Youth Club £50.00
 - [5] Grant to Bridport House Club £50.00
 - [6] Grant to Reglan Housing Association Ltd. £50.00
 - [7] Grant to John Miller Trust £50.00
 - [8] M.C.Farnham Salary for second quarter plus expenses £699.97

9. PLANNING

- [a]. Applications received from WDDC; Application No. 1/W/1997/0514 18 Uplands Walditch Erect two storey extension passed to Mr.Batten for comments.
- [b]. Decisions by WDDC; Application No 1/W/1997/0397 23 Uplands Walditch Erect extension. Approval Granted.
- [d] Wessex Water. Request to attend meeting with Wessex Water and WDDC concerning the construct of a sewage treatment works on land at Wych Farm. This matter was discussed and it Mrs.Ball, Mrs.England Mr.Botham and Mr.Matthews should attend the meeting on the 12 September 1997.

10. REPORTS

- [a] Footpaths and Roads; NTR
- [b] Street Lighting; NTR
- [c] Neighbourhood Watch; NTR
- [d] Conservation and Open Spaces; Mr.Matthews informed the meeting that new bird boxes would be going up in the next month or so.
- [e] John Holt Play Area; NTR

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- [a] DDC; Footpath No.5 Bothenhampton [between Crock Lane and Sea road South]
- [b] WDDC; Letter dated 11 August 1997 Roads Review and Letter dated 2 September 1997 Closure of Cash Offices from 1 October 1997
- [c] DAPTC; None
- [d] Dorset Community Action have moved offices on the 12 August 1997. New address is Community House, The Barracks, Bridport Road, DORCHESTER, Dorset, DT1 1YG.

12. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

- [a] The Clerk informed the meeting that pay award had now been agreed of 2.5% from the 1 April 1997. The Clerk also confirmed that he was also entitled to an increment increase which resulted in a new hourly rate of £6.06 or £183.82 per month. The Clerk also requested if his salary could be paid monthly as from October 1997, with his expenses still paid quarterly. These matters were discussed and it was proposed by Mr.Matthews that the increases and change to monthly payment should be awarded. These was seconded by Mrs.England and agreed by all other Councillors.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 9.05pm.

Date 13/10/94 Chairman 

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

- a) Mr.Ffooks; [1] Notices Boards these do not have to have glass doors etc.
[2] Thanked the Parish Council for its letter to the Prince of Wales.
[3] Thanked Admiral Pritchard for all his efforts in connection with the Bulky Household Waste site.