

BOTHENHAMPTON & WALDITCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Bothenhampton & Walditch Parish Council meeting held in the Church Hall, Bothenhampton on Monday 13 February 1995 at 7.30pm

Present. Mr G Matthews
Mr D Blythe
Mrs D England MBE

Mr C Casstles
Mr G Warburton
Mrs F Ball
Mr D Wilson (Clerk)

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 1995 at Walditch having been circulated, were accepted as a true record of that meeting and duly signed.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

Mr F Botham
Dist Clr D Cracknell OBE

Mr D Batten
Cty Clr Rear Admiral G Pritchard CB

The Clerk reported that Clr Cracknell was in hospital and was instructed to forward the best wishes of the Council for a speedy recovery to Clr Cracknell

3. MATTERS ARISING

a. Lower Walditch Development. Details of the meeting held between this Council and representatives from WDDC and DCC on 11 Jan '95 were circulated to all Councillors.

b. Bridport Area Forum. A brief report on the meeting held on 6 Feb '95 was given by Clr Matthews. The motion submitted by Bridport Town Council on local government review was considered inappropriate for discussion at the meeting and was deleted from the agenda.

4. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

No reports were available as neither representative was present.

5. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

At this point the meeting was suspended to give the public the opportunity of expressing their views on local matters. The meeting was then re-convened for the remainder of the Council's business.

6. FINANCE

a. The following accounts were agreed for payment:

Edwards Sports Products
Football goal nets

£ 49.96

SWEB (Connect) Ltd	
Balance of additional lighting Bothenhampton	188.00
Hotprint	
Photocopying for Nov, Dec & Jan	14.69
Bothenhampton Church Hall	
Hire of hall for Feb meeting	11.00
Miss L Adams	
Grant as agreed in minute 9k	100.00

b. Statement of accounts as at 31 Jan '95.

Current a/c	£ 113.08
Deposit a/c	£4,670.07

	£4,783.15

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a. The following applications were received by WDDC:

1. Lower Walditch Lane - Betterment Properties Ltd. Following comments raised during the Democratic Half Hour and the recent meeting with WDDC and DCC representatives, it was agreed that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Highways Agency in Exeter expressing this council's concern over the proposed highway alterations and requesting details of their objections to earlier proposals

The details of Phase 1 Betterment Properties full planning permission were passed to the Councillors for them to study and comments to be passed to the Clerk within ten days.

b. Decisions by WDDC

1. 1/W/94/0563L, 1/W/94/0564F, 1/W/94/0683L
Littel Thatch, Walditch.

8. REPORTS

a. Footpaths and Roads. No report.

b. Street lighting. No report.

c. John Holt Play Area. Following the recent report on the equipment it was agreed that the climbing frame should be taken down and one swing seat removed. (Clr Blythe agreed to do this himself at no charge to the Council).

It was agreed the policy of the council with regard to play equipment should be changed from that needed for a wide age range to items suitable for toddlers only. Various replacement items had been looked at by Clr Blythe and it was agreed that a detailed estimate for the complete replacement of the play equipment would be considered at the next council meeting.

In the meantime the slide is to be taken out of use.

d. Neighbourhood Watch. PC Jenkins is now fit and back at duty and will attend the March Council meeting which will now commence at 7.00pm. Reports had been submitted to the police recently which have received prompt attention.

e. Conservation & Open Spaces. Due to the recent inclement weather no progress has been made. Next working party will be on 19 Mar '95. A meeting has been arranged with a representative of Wessex Water to gain access to the pill box on their land to consider its conversion to a bat house.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk gave details of the following correspondence received:

a. West Dorset District Council - National Spring Clean Day was agreed at 2.00pm Sunday 8 April '95 RV at John Holt Play Area.

b. The Royal British Legion. VE Day 50th Anniversary Celebrations. It was agreed that this council would support the events proposed by Bridport Town Council. All details passed to Clr Casstles.

c. 1st Bridport Scout Group. Proposed by Clr Ball Seconded by Clr Warburton that a grant of £100 be made to the Scout Group. Carried nem con.

d. Miss L Adams. Proposed by Clr England, seconded by Clr Ball that a grant of £100 be made. Carried with one abstention

e. Public Rights of Way in Dorset	NFA
Dorset Tourism (Passed to Clr Ball)	NFA
Dorset Best Kept Village in Dorset	NFA
Rural Development Area	NFA
Local Government Review	NFA
DAP&TC various	NFA
WDDC Audited Accounts	NFA
Street name off Sea Road South	NFA

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

Date... 13.3.95... Signature (Chairman)