

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Parish Office,
Winterborne St Martin on Monday 3rd November 1997.
The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm.

Present:- Mr J.O'Brien (Chairman), Mr D.Rickard, Mr A. Flowerdew, Mr
C.Taylor, Mr J.Marsh, Mr J.Godding, Mr A.D.King, Mr P.G.Bentley, Mr
S.Slade (Clerk) and 6 members of the Parish.
Apologies were tendered on behalf of Mr P.Ennals and Mrs A.Bennett.

1. MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St
Martin on Monday 8th September 1997 having been circulated to all
members were approved as a true and correct record after amendment and
the minutes duly signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES.

- a. Village Directory An update on this matter given. The Chairman,
Vice-Chairman, Mr P.G.Bentley and the Clerk to proceed with finalising
the document and printing same for distribution to each household in the
Parish.
- b. Land to North of Rylstone The latest situation regarding the
leasing of this land for use by the parish as a play area was reported.
It was noted that a meeting had been held on the site following which it
was suggested that it would not be necessary to take the lease of the
whole area. An area of approximately 1 acre to the east would be
sufficient for two goal posts and a flat area for juniors to play
cricket. The land could also be used for other similar purposes. Members
agreed that the legal agreement should be concluded based on this
suggestion as soon as possible and work then put in hand to fence the
site etc. The Chairman and Clerk to act as necessary.
- c. Posting Notices in the Village The Clerk advised members of the
legal position in this regard.
- d. Best Kept Village Competition The Chairman reported that the
Village had won the first prize of £50.00 in this competition for the
most improved village category. He thanked Mr Taylor for attending the
presentation and receiving the prize on behalf of the Parish Council and
also praised the efforts of all sections of the community who had helped
keep the village tidy.

3. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

- a. Payments received since the last meeting:-
 - i. Interest£ 27.07
 - ii. Precept second part£800.00
 - iii. Tidy Village prize£ 50.00
- b. Approval of payments since the last meeting was given as follows:-
 - i. Clerks salary£350.00
- c. The following was approved for payment:-
 - i. Bill Robins repairs to seat£ 95.16

A sum of £3400.08 in the parish account after payment of the above.
- d. The clerk presented a draft budget for the next financial year. After
long and detailed consideration it was agreed to request a precept for
the year 1998/1999 of £1900.00.
The draft budget would be reprinted taking into account the amendments
and included in the minutes. The matter of the Clerk's salary would be
finalised at that meeting when further information was to hand.

4. PLANNING MATTERS.

- a. Land at Park Farm detailed application in respect of plot 1 to hand. No objections to design but request hedge be extended along the southern boundary of the site. Access drive should be widened to improve road safety and efforts to be made to improve visibility at the junction with the C class road.
- b. Street Naming It was agreed that the address of the new properties at park Farm be **PARK FARM CLOSE**.

5. CORRESPONDENCE.

- a. Southern Area Forum Next meeting to be at Crossways on 18th November 1997 at 7.00 pm.
- b. Martinstown Open Days Members asked to help with the organisation and running of this event on 28th and 29th June 1998. A letter to be sent to the Secretary asking if some of the proceeds of the event could be made available to help with the costs of the proposed playing area at the rear of Rylstone.
- c. High kerb at Cowleaze A resident had drawn attention to this matter which caused a difficulty to users of wheelchairs and the like. Action had been taken by the clerk and the kerbs had been lowered.
- d. A letter from a young parishioner concerning cycle routes was read to members. It was agreed that he be invited to the next Parish Council meeting in February at which a representative of the Dorset County Council will be asked to attend to discuss the subject of cycle routes generally.

6. BUS SERVICES.

The Clerk reported on a meeting which he had attended concerning 'bus services. He stated that he had had a complaint regarding the irregular time keeping of one of the 'buses serving the area and that the matter was being monitored and appropriate action would be taken. Concerning the matter of the school 'bus transporting children from the Radio Station Cottages to Winterbourne Valley School (previously reported) he had asked that the officer responsible for school transport further investigate to see if there was any possibility of improving the situation. A survey would be carried out at Morngate to see if there was a need for a 'bus service in the area.

7. PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCES.

Members were appraised of the fact that the Brewers Arms had applied for a Public Entertainments Licence and that there was no specific detail of times areas etc where music would be performed. A letter had been sent to the District Council asking that more detailed information be provided and that in future Parish Councils should be informed when such applications had been submitted. They would then be in a position to comment at an early stage and also to advise neighbouring property owners.

8. OTHER MATTERS RAISED.

- a. Village Meeting held on 22nd October 1997 Mr Godding reported on this meeting and highlighted several points raised. The Clerk reported that a new officer would be appointed by West District Council under the Communities Issue Committee and would be in post in April and would be specifically dealing with Agenda 21. Members agreed to place the matter on the February agenda.
- b. New access from C class road to Turnpike Cottage land the appropriate authority to be asked to investigate the matter.

c. Playgroup The Chairman reported that he had received a letter advising that this group would close if a secretary could not be found. Subsequent to the letter he had learned that the problem had been resolved none-the-less he was concerned to note that such a problem should have arisen and he hoped that this very important group in the village would continue and flourish.

d. Bulb planting It was agreed that bulbs would be purchased and planted in the area on 15th November 1997 commencing at 10.00 am.

9. NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting would be held in the Parish Office on Monday 2nd February 1998 and would commence at 7.00 pm.

10. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting was closed at 10.00 pm.

.....Chairman.

Date,

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