

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 2nd September 1996.
The meeting commenced at 7.40 pm.

Present:- Mr J.O'Brien (Chairman), Mr D.Rickard, Mr A.Flowerdew, (from 8.30 pm) Mr P.Jeffery, Mr J.Marsh, Mr A.D.King, Mr J.Godding, Mr P.Bentley, Mr S.Slade (Clerk), PC R.Jackson (Community Policeman) and 1 member of the Parish.

1.MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 13th May 1996 having been circulated to all members were approved as a true and correct record and the minutes duly signed.

2.MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES.

a. Flooding on public highway The matter of flooding on the highway near Rew Manor still being investigated by the W.D.D.C.

b. Spreading of Pig Slurry Penn Barn Farm .. W.D.D.C satisfied that appropriate measures are being undertaken by the owners to try to solve the problem. Members noted this but would continue to monitor the situation and would inform the WDDC should the problem re-occur.

c.The Millennium.

A new Officer had today been appointed by WDDC to deal with the matter of Millennium Grants and the Clerk would be seeking early appointment with her regarding the possibility of obtaining funds to carry out works to improve the churchyards in the villages.

d.Best Kept Village Competition.

The prizes in respect of this competition to be presented at Carey Village Hall, Wareham on 19th September 1996. The Chairman will attend together with any other interested members.

e.Junction of Mallards Green service Road with C Class road.

DCC have now placed give way markings at this junction in the interest of road safety.

f.Waste Watch Group....funding for bulbs.

The Clerk will seek funds for the purchase of bulbs from this group.

g.Inspection of trees .

Trees planted in previous years would be inspected and pruned on the 5th October 1996. Meet at the Parish Office at 10.30 am.

h.Playing field.

A formal application for grant funding will be submitted during the next week in a submission prepared by the Chairman. Members congratulated the Chairman on his excellent work in preparing the document.

2.FINANCIAL MATTERS.

a.Payments made during the interim period since the last meeting were approved as follows:-

- i. Rates Parish Office £122.93.
- ii. Insurance £204.53.

b.Payments received since the last meeting:-

- i. Rent of Garage £235.00.

c.The following accounts were approved for payment:-

- i. Rates of Office£ 59.00.
- ii. Cornhill Insurance.....£ 48.34.
- iii.SEB electric for office.....£ 22.32.
- iv. S.Slade clerk salary£350.00.

A sum of £2355.28 in the parish account after payment of the current cheques.

d.A report on the Parish Council accounts for the year ended March 1996 from the District Audit Service was received and the contents noted and acted upon accordingly.

e.A request for a grant from the Dorchester and District Crime Prevention Panel was deferred to the November budget meeting.

- f. A sum of £25.00 was approved to be expended on insulation for the Parish Office roof void.
- g. A sum of £30.00 was approved for the purchase of Bulbs subject to no funding being provided by the Waste Watch Group for this purpose.
- h. The rent of The Parish Garage would be reviewed in November.

3. PLANNING MATTERS.

- a. O/A erect 5 No dwellings at Park Farm Decision awaited from WDDC.
- b. O/A to erect dwelling for agricultural worker at Eweleaze Dairy no adverse comments. (Messrs Marsh and Slade declared an interest in this application but remained in the meeting during the consideration of the proposal but took no part in the discussion)
- c. Remove hedge and widen access at Turnpike Cottage The original proposal preferred as this would permit some realignment of the road to be carried out and a footpath provided in the interest of road safety. A new hedge of a similar kind to be planted along the new line of the visibility splay.
- d. Erect Radio Mast at Greenacre, Rew Further information requested concerning height and possible interference with neighbouring TV and radio reception.
- e. No adverse comments were raised to a proposal submitted during the interim period since the last meeting to erect new Dairy Buildings at Church Farm.
- f. No adverse comments raised to a proposal to erect an extension at Narnia, Ashton Road which was dealt with in the interim period since the last meeting.
- g. A letter would be sent to Bradford Peverell Parish Council in response to theirs on the matter of development and recreation areas in rural parishes. The Chairman and Clerk to frame the letter.
- h. A request from the owner of the Manor House for support for his tree planting scheme in the grounds of the Manor was considered and approved. It was noted that many of the dead, dying and dangerous trees on the site would be felled and new ones planted. No financial contribution would be expected from the Parish Council.

4. MARTINSTOWN OPEN DAYS.

A letter from the secretary of this organisation was read which indicated that a sum in the region of £4,500 had been raised and had been distributed to the four organisations selected to receive a share of the profits. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the secretary congratulating the Committee on its splendid efforts. A detailed final account would also be appreciated.

5. MERIT AWARDS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

The Chairman of the WDDC had asked that he be advised of any young person in the district who had completed work worthy of a meritorious award. Suitable recognition would then be given by the WDDC.

6. SPEED RESTRICTION LIMITS IN THE VILLAGE.

Members were advised that their request for the speed limit to be reduced from 40mph to 30mph and extended to cover the Mallards Green and Weymouth Road areas would be considered on 11th September 1996 by the DCC. A verbal indication had been given that the present 40mph would be reduced to 30mph and the new sections would be set at 40mph. This was noted and a letter to be sent to the DCC welcoming this proposal.

7. HIDDEN DIP IN B3159 ASHTON TO UPWEY.

A resident had written to the DCC seeking a sign to indicate this hazzard but had not met with success. Members agreed to ask the Community Policeman to view the site and speak to the resident and report back to the Clerk or the next meeting.

8. TELEPHONE CALLS TO THE POLICE AUTHORITY.

A report that delays had been experienced when trying to contact a police officer at the Weymouth Police force to report a theft of property and also in trying to contact the police for help during an incident in the village via the telephone was noted with concern. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the appropriate officer expressing this concern.

9. REDUCTION IN MEETINGS.

It was agreed that the matter be considered at the next meeting with a view to reducing the meetings to four per year.

10. OTHER MATTERS.

- a. Cycle Routes Further information to be made available for the next meeting.
- b. Magna Housing Sign at Mallards Green. Noted that this was a temporary sign and would be removed following the completion of repair works to property at Mallards Green.
- c. Garden and Craft Show Parish Council cup awarded to Miss Grassby.

11. NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting would be held in the Parish Office on Monday 4th November 1996 and would commence at 7.30 pm.

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting was closed by gavel at 9.35 pm.

.....Chairman.

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