

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 13th May 1996.
The meeting commenced at 8.05 pm.

Present:- Mr J.O'Brien, Mr D.Rickard, Mr A.Flowerdew, Mr P.Jeffery, (from 9.00 pm) Mr J.Marsh, Mr A.D.King, Mr J.Godding, Mr C.Taylor, Mr S.Slade (Clerk), and 1 member of the Parish.

Apologies tendered on behalf of Mr R.Symes (County Councillor), and Mr P.Bentley.

1.ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

Mr J.O'Brien was formally nominated and elected as Chairman for the period until the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in 1997.
Mr O'Brien thanked the members for re electing him and undertook to carry out the duties of Chairman to the best of his ability and with the best interest of the Parish in mind.

2.MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 4th March 1996 having been circulated to all members were approved as a true and correct record and the minutes duly signed.

3.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 still investigating the problem.

c Southern Area Forum Meeting held at Crossways Village Hall on Thursday 2nd May 1996 at 7.00 pm. The content of the meeting had largely been an explanation of matters which had been carried out by the WDDC and perhaps did not accurately reflect the basic concept of these meetings which were supposed to be Parish orientated. The next meeting would be held in the village hall Martinstown and consideration would be given to forwarding items for the agenda.

d.The Millemium.

A meeting to be held with the PCC and Abbas and Steepleton Parish Councillors on 10th June 1996 to further discuss the matter of funding works to the churchyards in the parishes with a grant from the Millenium Fund.

e.National Spring Clean week.

Several Parishioners had helped pick-up litter on the 21st April and many bags of rubbish were collected. A note of thanks to those who had helped to be placed in the Parish Newsletter.

f.Best Kept Village Competition.

A reminder that the Village had entered into this competition would be placed in the Parish Newsletter with a request to all Parishioners to keep the area clean and tidy.

g.Dorset Police Policy.

Inspector Freeman would be asked to attend the next group meeting of the Parish Councils on 10th June 1996 to discuss the policy of Policing in the Rural Areas of West Dorset.

h.Barking of Dogs.

Posters and information to hand concerning this subject together with "poop-scoops" for distribution to dog owners in the village.

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

DCC have agreed to place give way markings at this junction in the interest of road safety.

4. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Mr C. Taylor was nominated for vice-chairman for the ensuing year and duly elected. He advised that he would carry out the duties of vice-chairman to the best of his ability and work with the Chairman in the best interest of the Parish.

5. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

a. The Clerk's salary for the ensuing year was considered and agreed in the sum of £700.00 plus all reasonable expenses. The Clerk thanked the members for awarding him an increase and undertook to continue the clerkship to the best of his ability.

b. It was noted that payment had been made during the interim period since the last meeting of monies promised in the last financial year viz:-

- i. Audit Fee£ 90.48.
- ii. Open Days£ 200.00.
- iii. School Centenary...£ 25.00.

c. Payments received since the last meeting:-

- i. Grant re trees at Stevens Farm Lane£ 90.00
- ii. Precept£800.00

d. It was agreed that the first instalment of the rates of the Parish Office be paid in the sum of £63.93.

e. A sum of £2928.08 in the parish account after payment of the current cheques.

6. PLANNING MATTERS.

a. Erect entrance Porch at 1, Hardy Close Approved by WDDC.

b. O/A erect 5 No dwellings at Park Farm Decision awaited from WDDC.

c. Erect Barn at Grove Hill Dairy Approved by WDDC with landscaping condition.

d. Erect extension at 8, Radio Station Cottages No objections.

e. Alterations to use outbuilding at 4, Ashton Cottages for residential purposes No objections subject to proposal being kept as part of the existing dwelling.

f. Erect new farm buildings at East Rew Farm No objections subject to some additional landscaping being provided and maintained.

7. BREWERS ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE.

It was noted that the licence in respect of this premise had today been vested in new Landlords.

8. CHARITY COLLECTIONS.

It was noted that care should be taken both by those collecting for Charities and those contributing to the Charity to adhere to the law. A copy of the letter on the subject would be appended to each notice board.

9. CAB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

An invitation to this meeting extended to members but no one able to attend.

10. PLANNING COMMITTEE SITE VISITS.

A letter from WDDC read which reiterated the procedure adopted at Committee site visits when viewing various Planning Applications. The contents were noted.

11. DCC TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN UP-DATE.

Members noted that the request to reduce the speed limit through the village to 30 mph and to extend same was now being investigated and would hopefully come to fruition towards the end of the year.

12. OTHER MATTERS RAISED.

- a. Police crime figures from Community Policeman read and noted. It was also reported that recent thefts had taken place in the village and a caravan and chain saw had been stolen. A watchful eye must be kept to ensure that the perpetrators of such crimes were apprehended.
- b. Application to be made to the Waste Watch Group for funds to purchase bulbs in the autumn for planting in the village..
- c. Trees planted in previous years to be inspected and pruned as required.
- d. Application being made for funding to purchase the land at Ashton for a Valley Playing Field. It was hoped that funds set aside at Abbas from a developer could be released towards the cost of the purchase of the land.

13. NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting would be held in the Reading Room on Monday 1st July 1996 and would commence at 7.30 pm.

14. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting was closed by gavel at 9.15 pm.

.....Chairman.

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