

Minutes of the Winterborne St Martin Annual Parish Council Meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St. Martin on Monday 26th July 2004. The meeting commenced at 7.35 pm.

Present: - Mr N.Marsh (Chairman), Mr M.Clarke, Mrs M.Hearing, Mr D.Rickard, Mr A.King, Mr P.Jeffery, Mr I.Gibson, Mr B.Thompson, Mr C.Taylor, Mr S.Slade, (Clerk), Mr D.Crowhurst (County Councillor) and 5 members of the parish.

Democratic period.

Mr D.Crowhurst, County Councillor.

Mr Crowhurst reported that the DCC had discussed possible sites for Travellers one of which was a site at Blackdown near Hardys Monument. It was likely that the DCC would be making a formal planning application for this area to be used as location for Travellers for short-term stays. This was prompted by National Government guidelines which considered that this was the best way to deal with the matter of modern day Travellers.

Mr Ian Shaw.

Mr Shaw again pointed out that the "T" Junction sign indicating Mallards Green service road had still not been erected. He also asked about the Speed Indicator Device which had been placed in the village recently and whether it would be sited elsewhere in the parish.

Declaration of interests.

There were no declarations of interest.

The clerk explained each planning application for clarification of members but took no part in the observations or comments made.

1. MINUTES.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 24th May 2004 having been circulated to all members were approved as a true and correct record and the minutes duly signed. Proposed by Mr B.Thompson seconded by Mr M.Clarke.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES.

- a. The provision of a Display Board to be erected on the Village Green. This had now been officially put in place and handed over to the Parish Council by the Martinstown Waste Watch Group. The event had been recorded on a photograph and the best of thanks had been accorded to all concerned.
- b. Road signs which had been removed by persons unknown will be replaced by the DCC.
- c. Speed indication monitoring equipment had been placed in the village for a period of a week. The results will be analysed and reported to the Parish Council in due course. The equipment had now been located elsewhere in the county but might be located at another site in the parish in the future. A site on the C53 was suggested.
- d. A site at Blackdown in the ownership of the Dorset County Council was under consideration to be used as a site for Travellers. It was agreed that this was a totally inappropriate site for such a use and will be opposed by the Parish Council.

3. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

Payments and Receipts.

The action in paying the following items since the last meeting was confirmed: -

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| K.Damen grass cutting | £ 80.00 |
| SEB electric account | £ 14.29 |

A sum of £9,162.80 in the Parish Council account.

Village Green repairs in improvements.

Final approval of the request for a grant from the Landfill Tax scheme was awaited. It was hoped that this would be in place so that the work can proceed in September 2004. The Insurance Company will be so advised.

4. PLANNING MATTERS.

- a. Extension at Shepherds Cottage. Application withdrawn.
- b. Extension to No2 Barton Cottages. Application refused by WDDC.
- c. Extension to 27, Grove Cottage. Application approved by WDDC.
- d. Proposed extension at Beech Cottage, Manor Grove. Plans explained following which no objections were made.
- e. West Dorset Local Plan date of Public Enquiry is to be February 2005. A preliminary meeting will be held in October by the Inspector conducting the appeal at which the procedure to be adhered to will be outlined.
- f. Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole Structure Plan. This document to hand for reading by members who were interested. Each member was handed a précised version of the document.

5. CORRESPONDENCE.

- a. Street Naming and Numbering. Changes in the procedure are likely in the near future.
- b. Countryside access and rights for walkers. Changes will come into force in parts of the country in September and elsewhere in December.
- c. Care and Repair Agency. Information on the work carried out by this Agency will be reported in the Newsletter.
- d. Home Composting. Further information on this subject will be placed in the Parish Newsletter.

6. FOOTPATH REPORT.

Path from the B3159 near the Brewers Arms northwards to the A35 had been cut.

7. REPORT ON AMENITIES.

- a. Best Kept Village Competition. It was again agreed that litter pick up's will take place every two weeks on Thursday evenings starting at the village green at 7.00pm. The next date would be 1st July 2004 and every fortnight thereafter.
- b. The area of land known as the "pond" at the east end of the village. Mr G.E.B.Duke had asked if he could prove ownership of the area would the Parish Council then be willing to take the title from him and take on the responsibility for managing the area. In spite of and in the knowledge that this would likely lead to an increase in the parish precept cautious agreement to the proposal was given.
- c. Trees planted near McDonalds restaurant will be inspected and a report given at the next meeting.
- d. Cleaning of the South Winterbourne stream. DCC to be reminded that it is their turn to clean the stream this year.

8. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting was closed at 9.47 pm.

9. NEXT MEETING.

This will be held on the fourth Monday in September 2004.

.....Chairman

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