

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY 8TH JUNE 2006.**

PRESENT

Cllr Barry Quinn (Chairman)
Cllr Tib Axon
Cllr Rebecca Cady
Cllr Neill Child
Cllr Paul Whitmarsh
Cllr Mike Lovell – County Council
Cllr Tim Mills – District Council

APOLOGIES

Cllr Simon Cross (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Adrian Cullinane

NEW COUNCILLOR

The Chairman welcomed Tim Mills, the new District Councillor, to the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Paul Whitmarsh declared a prejudicial interest in his planning application to be discussed later in the meeting and would leave the meeting whilst discussions were taking place.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME

Mrs Gillian Topp reported she had attended a networking event held by Dorset Community Action on support for community organisations using volunteers. This was held in the Parish Hall on Wareham Quay on 7th June. Many topics were discussed including:-

- Volunteers to support people who look after the elderly in their homes
- Crime Prevention. In the light of recent incidents in the Parish, the Chairman asked the Clerk to contact our new Community Beat Officer and invite him to the next Parish meeting. If he was not able to attend, a separate meeting could be set up.

Mrs Topp advised that the Purbeck Community Safety Action Group Open Forum arranged to be held on 3rd June had been cancelled due to lack of support.

Mrs Topp also reported to the meeting that John Barnes was not abiding by the conditions of his planning consent. Tim Mills offered to speak to Mike Grime with regard to enforcement.

MINUTES of the last meeting held on 6th May as already circulated were signed as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

1. Monkey World – No planning application yet received. Clerk had contacted Enforcement Officer who would chase.
2. War Memorial – Chairman advised that he was not sure when work would be started. He would speak to Sara Grayson the following day. He had also received a message from Booth and Corben that they were no longer acting as agents for The Tower at St. Mary's Church.
3. Village Hall – Nothing further to report.
4. Rabbits – Clerk had been in touch with Andy Timms who advised he had been let down by the person he arranged to trap the rabbits. This would now be done by himself and he would be in touch in due course.
5. Travellers – Tim Mills to chase update on situation for next meeting. Mike Lovell advised that due to the SSI nature of the area the Travellers would have to move by July.
6. Savings Account – The Clerk had prepared a letter to transfer amount from current account to the new savings account. The sum of £5000 was agreed by all and two signatories signed the letter. Clerk to go into Lloyds.
7. PTAG – Chairman had e-mailed MP Jim Knight regarding DCC consultation over the rural bus service. Tim Mills put forward the idea that a bus service could be set up sponsored by Sommerfield. This would bring people in to Wareham. He would arrange to meet the Manager of Sommerfield and also asked the Clerk to write a letter of support and saying that he would be setting up a meeting with the manager in the near future.
8. Summer BBQ – This was now set for 12th August. Volunteers were needed who could definitely offer help on that day. Rebecca Cady suggested businesses in the area could be asked to sponsor the event. A Parish Plan newsletter would be sent out by the end of June in which notice of this event would be published.
9. SITA – No further problems at the moment.
10. Burridge – It was reported that the hard standing and membrane were still on site. The land was now up for private sale. Clerk to inform EO.
11. Parish Plan – Chairman reported this had now been delivered to the main recipients. Others to follow and implementation would begin.
12. Enforcements:-
 - (a) Long Coppice – EO to revisit and inspect. Planning application needed for retention.
 - (b) Luckford Wood – A number of enforcements were on-going. EO yet to visit with reference to light and warning triangle.
13. AONB – Paul Whitmarsh reported that he had been in touch with them who advised they could refurbish any old type finger posts rather than put up the new style.
14. Highway Matters – Paul Whitmarsh reported that as the repair to the electric pole had not been done he had been in touch again. After inspection the authorities considered the pole was in a dangerous state and electricity had to be disconnected at once. A new pole was now in place.
15. PMU's – Paul Whitmarsh asked that any repairs to minor roads be reported to him in time for the July visit by PMU's.
16. DAPTC Area Meeting – Neill Child had attended but there was nothing of significance to report.
17. Clean Neighbourhoods in Purbeck – Advice from PDC re newly appointed Officer Guy Stapleford. Chairman suggested he be invited to the next Parish Council meeting.

18. Closure of Libraries – Letter received from DCC in reply to our letter of 16th May detailing our concerns. 13 Libraries were proposed for closure. Committee to consider report on 15th June. Consultation to follow on steps to provide service in the future.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. 6/2006/462 – A. Cullinane, Binnegar Farmhouse – Erection of detached timber single garage. The Parish Council had no objections. Clerk to contact Case Officer.
2. 6/2006/502 – R. Whitmarsh, Hillview Farm – Erect replacement agricultural building. The Parish Council had no objections. Clerk to contact Case Officer.

PAST PLANNING

1. 6/2006/334 – Birchwood – Extend existing fence to 2m height.
Approved 25th May.
2. 6/2006/368 – Friendship Cottage – Replace greenhouse with timber summer house.
Approved 18th May.
3. 6/2006/369 – Friendship Cottage – Extend external garage.
Approved 28th May.

BUSINESS OF MEETING

1. County Councillor's Report – Mike Lovell reported the Gypsy and Travellers Seminar would be held on 27th June. An extension on the possible closure of some libraries was granted for another year.
2. District Councillor's Report – Having only just taken office Tim Mills was still settling in and taking on board what was going on at District level.
3. A letter received from PDC re Code of Conduct Register of Interests. This was a reminder to notify the legal department if there were any changes to Councillors' Registers.
4. Parish Land – The Clerk had received a phone call from Mr Cobley of Sunnydale whose property lay to the rear of the Parish land. This land was apparently being used for scramble bikes, the noise from which was offensive. There were also complaints from Mrs Stacey and an adjoining property. The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact Vice Chairman Simon Cross for his legal views on this matter. Clerk to also write to Mr Cobley suggesting that if the noise continued to be a nuisance he should contact PDC Environmental Officer. When the lease was due for renewal in September the Parish Council would write to Mrs Tubbs.
5. Clerk's Salary – Chairman advised this had not been reviewed for some time. After a consultation with DAPTC regarding approved salary scales the Chairman proposed the rate per hour be increased to Spinal Column Point 20, i.e. £9.02 per hour and the monthly hours be increased to a more realistic 12 hours instead of 10 hours. All in favour. New salary to commence from 1st June.
6. Unsafe Memorials – An e-mail had been received from Forget-Me-Not Memorials. The Chairman thought there were no problems in the churchyard that he was aware of. Filed.
7. UKAEA – Summer Reception to be held on 30th June. Chairman and his wife would attend.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Spatial Strategy Questionnaire. Chairman to complete.
2. Local Development Framework Workshop to be held during the first week in July it was uncertain whether anyone from the Parish Council would be available to attend.

FINANCE

1. Comax Services – Parish Plan Printing £472.92
2. S. Barrett – Two months salary and expenses £249.30
3. Baker Property Services – Maintenance to 31.05.06 £349.00

These Accounts were approved for payment.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6th July.

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Chairman

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Date