

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 29TH APRIL 2004 AT 7 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr R Russell (Chairman) Cllr S Bryant (Vice Chairman), Cllr R Peacocke, Cllr Dullaway, Cllr J Chubb, Cllr E Stenning Cllr J Manuel, Cllr Connor and Cllr L Crowe

Also present: District Councillor D Smy, Helen Boyce, Head Teacher Owermoigne School, Reverend Durrant and three members of the public.

PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS There were no public information announcements.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD (NOT EXCEEDING 30 MINUTES) Cllr Smy noted that he is speaking as a member of the Steering Group for the proposed Parish Plan and requested who had proposed and seconded the motion proposed at Item 8 and asked that the Council amend the Motion to incur the involvement of the DCA (Dorset Community Action). The Chairman asked if the DCA plan will ask the Parish Council to fund this exercise. Cllr Smy agreed that it would incur cost of 5% of whatever expense the Steering Group incurred. Cllr Chubb asked what the fund would be spent on. Cllr Smy replied that it would be spent on producing a survey and that professional people could be brought in to do this. The Chairman expressed concern that this sum could be a very large sum.

REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER (IF AVAILABLE) The Community Police Officer was not available.

REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS Apologies were received from County Councillor Crowhurst and District Councillor Seall

COUNCILLOR SMY informed those present that the second stage of the kerbside recycling had shown a 97% success rate and this was welcome news and further stated that there may be further recycling initiatives to include organic waste. This would put an extra £8.00 on the Council Tax if it is brought in by the Government. Cllr Smy also informed the meeting that the plans for the new school were with the planning department but the Church had been withdrawn from the plans; and that the application for dwellings at Five Cross Spinney had, to the best of his knowledge, been turned down. Cllr Russell commended Cllr Chubb for collating the Parish Council's objections to these plans.

REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS There were no School Governors present.

THE MEETING

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr Brewer.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no Declarations of Interest.

ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

ITEM 4 MATTERS ARISING There no matters arising.

ITEM 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT The Chairman reported that he had nothing further to add to his report given at the Annual Parish Meeting (Page 887) prior to this meeting.

ITEM 6 CORRESPONDENCE None to report.

ITEM 7 TO DISCUSS PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM MR TURTLE The Parish Council agreed that in principle the suggestions put forward by Mr Turtle were worth further consideration and possible could be accommodated when the further field at Dick o' th' Banks, forming an extension to the present sports field, is available. It was agreed to place this matter on the next Amenities Meeting for further discussion.

AGREED/ACTION CLERK

ITEM 8 TO AGREE THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION, IN THE MATTER OF THE PARISH PLAN, BE ACCEPTED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL:

“It is proposed that the matter of the Parish Plan be addressed in two stages:

Stage 1 – The Parish Plan as it now stands will be put in abeyance, pending consultation with the electorate of Crossways, to identify long term goals and short term needs of the electorate coupled with the needs of local organisations.

Stage 2 – The Parish Council welcomes the assistance of an ‘ad-hoc’ group to assist in this exercise and is willing to assist in analysing any survey returns. The Parish Council is not prepared to fund or subsidise any third party in this consultation process.

It was formally proposed by Cllr Bryant and seconded by Cllr Chubb that the resolution is put forward. The Chairman called for a vote firstly on Stage 1 and then on Stage 2. Both resolutions were accepted by a unanimous vote.

RESOLVED

ITEM 9 TO CONSIDER CORPORATE RESPONSE TO THE STANDARDS BOARD CONSULTATION DOCUMENT “LOCAL INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT” AMENDMENT 2004

Cllr Chubb expressed concern as to the calibre of persons delegated to handle any investigations. This concern will be passed to the consulting body.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 10 TO RECEIVE REPORTS, ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE AMENITIES, PLANNING AND FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

a. AMENITIES – Pages 317-318 of the Amenities Committee (April 19th 2004) were presented by Cllr Stenning and duly accepted.

b. PLANNING – Pages 198-199 of the Planning Committee (April 19th 2004) were presented by Cllr Chubb and duly accepted.

c. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - Page 122 of the Finance and Administration Committee (April 19th 2004) was presented by Cllr Bryant and duly accepted.

ITEM 11 TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE The following items of Income and Expenditure for the previous month were noted and approved:

	Income	Expenditure
	£	£
Long Distance Walkers Assoc		
Deposit Refund		25.00
S Manuel Grass Cutting CPC & DCC		828.00
Newsquest		64.86
Petty Cash (Stationery & Postage)		92.70
Litter Collector		90.00
Transfer	(1000.00)	

ITEM 12 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS It was noted the swings in Pauls Way and fencing around the sports field in Dick o’ th’ Banks Road had been vandalised . The matters will be reported to the Police and a Crime number obtained for insurance purposes.

ITEM 13 CONFIRMATION OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING (THURSDAY 27th MAY 2004)

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.49pm

Signed (Chairman) 2004