

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2004
AT 7PM 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 and Cllr J Manuel

Also Present: Cllr (Desig) Linda Crowe

PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS None to report

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD (NOT EXCEEDING 30 MINUTES) Concern was raised again about the speed limits on the B3390 through the village particularly in view of recent accidents. The Chairman informed the meeting that the Council had been in contact with the relevant agencies on a number of occasions and it had been reported that a firm of consultants had been commissioned to study the speeding limits and report, this report is awaited. The Clerk was instructed to write to DCC asking for progress on the consultation

REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER (IF AVAILABLE) The Chairman reported that the Community Police Officer was not available due to the inclement weather.

REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS There were no County or District Councillors present. a written report from Cllr Smy is attached to the main and library copy of these minutes.

REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS Mrs Cartwright informed the Clerk of her new address and e mail and gave a report from Owermoigne School.

THE MEETING

ITEM 1 FILL BY CO-OPTION VACANCY FOLLOWED BY SIGNING OF CODE OF CONDUCT AND DECLARATION OF OFFICE The Chairman introduced Mrs Linda Crowe to be co-opted to the Parish Council. Following a unanimous vote in agreement Linda was welcomed, signed the Declaration of Office, received a Register of Interest for completion and was invited to join the Council.

ITEM 2 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr Brewer.

ITEM 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no Declarations of Interest

ITEM 4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

ITEM 5 MATTERS ARISING Cllr Peacocke ask if a reply had been received following the Councils response to the variation to the planning application at the Hybris recycling centre. The Clerk was ask to make this reply available.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 6 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- a. Cllr Russell reported on the meeting allowing members of the public to view the plans of the school and church and acknowledged that it seemed well received. Councillors expressed concern that the Council had not been consulted about the church being built joined to the school and questioned its relevance to the Section 106 agreement. Cllr Chubb expressed his concern about funeral taking place whilst the school was opened. Cllr Dullaway remarked that these concerns can be expressed as part of the normal planning procedure and that she also has concerns. The Chairman expressed his personal agreement to the venture stating that it would allow the land at Weuwega to be sold giving money towards building the church. Cllr Chubb said he has no knowledge of a school and church being co-joined and reminded the members that the Church authorities had owned the land at Weuwega for three years without any progress towards building a church.

ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE Cllr Russell informed the meeting that a letter of resignation had been received from Cllr McCartney. The Clerk was asked to write and thank her for her time as a Councillor.

ITEM 8 TO CLARIFY AND ACCEPT ISSUES REGARDING MEMBERSHIP OF THE FREEMASONS AND POLITICAL PARTY ASSOCIATIONS – STANDARDS BOARD LETTER ATTACHED Following concerns raised by Cllr Peacocke this matter was deferred to the Finance and Administration Committee in March for further investigation.

ITEM 9 TO HEAR EXTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 2003 AND FORMALLY ACCEPT ITS FINDINGS – CLLR BRYANT Cllr Bryant reported that the external auditors report had been received and that there were no matters of concern noted. The report was accepted by the Council as a true and accurate statement.

AGREED

ITEM 10 TO CONSIDER PETITION TO OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TO ALLOW THOSE COUNCILS AGREEING TO PAY ALLOWANCES ARE ABLE TO PAY THOSE ALLOWANCES TO CO-OPTED MEMBERS Council members agreed to support this petition. Proposed: Cllr Russell, seconded Cllr Dullaway **RESOLVED**

ITEM 11 TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE AT DAPTC TRAININGS/SEMINARS AS DETAILED BELOW:

- a. MONDAY 1ST MARCH COUNTY HALL - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES £12.00
- b. THURSDAY 4TH MARCH COUNTY HALL – LAW £12.00
- c. THURSDAY 18TH MARCH COUNTY HALL – CHAIRMAN'S SEMINAR £6.00

Cllr Bryant agreed to attend the Chairman’s Seminar. Cllr Peacocke agreed to attend the training based on law on the 4th March.

ITEM 12 CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS AS DETAILED BELOW:

- a. **1/E/04/000184 – Unit 11F HYBRIS BUSINESS PARK – CHANGE OF USE FROM BI TO BS CLASS FOR USE AS A COMMERCIAL CATERING** The Council had no objections to these plans
- b. **1/E/04/000151 WARMWELL COUNTY TOURING PARK – USE PART OF EXISTING CARAVAN PARK FOR 20 STATIC CARAVANS** The Council felt that this application would start a precedent for development on this side of the B3390 and as the area in question is outside the development boundary it should be opposed. An objection was proposed by Cllr Peacocke, seconded by Cllr Stenning and agreed.
- c. **1/E/04/000082 – 17 DICK O’ TH’ BANKS ROAD – SITE MOBILE HOME** The Council had no objection to this plan but cautioned that developments such as this should be carefully monitored to avoid stealth growth of caravan sites.

ITEM 13 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** – Page 314 The Amenities Minutes (February 9th 2004) were presented by Cllr Stenning and duly accepted.
- b. **PLANNING** – Page 195 The Planning Minutes (February 9th 2004) were presented by Cllr Chubb and duly accepted
- c. **FINANCE** - Page 120 The Finance and Administration Minutes (February 9th 2004) were presented by Cllr Bryant and duly accepted.

Income and Expenditure for the previous month was noted/and approved as follows:

	Income £	Expenditure £
Account Fee		5.00
SLCC Membership		72.00
Bridge Donation		200.00
Record Playground Equipment		371.11
Salary Clerk		561.94
Inland Revenue (PAYE)		116.11
Home as Office Expenses		50.00
Crossways Pantomimers (Hire of Pavilion)	18.00	
Interest HSBC	0.22	
Wessex Water		25.13
British Telecommunications		74.31
HLVB External Auditor		293.75
Litter Collector		90.00

Payments proposed Cllr Chubb, seconded Cllr Stenning and agreed. AGREED

ITEM 14 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS

- a. It was noted that the litter collector paid by the Council was in fact removing litter from areas owned by Magna Homes and agreed they should be approached for a contribution towards these costs.
- b. Cllr Chubb confirmed that a letter had been received to confirm that the developers, Hallam Land Management, had withdrawn from the Redbridge Pit development plans.
- c. Cllr Stenning informed the meeting that the trees near the entrance to Oaklands Park had been cut back and that work had started on the play areas.

ITEM 15 CONFIRMATION OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING (THURSDAY 25TH MARCH 2004) Confirmed.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.42pm.

Signed Chairman 2004