

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 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: County Councillor D Crowhurst, District Councillors T Seall and D Smy, Mr Alan Thacker  
(Governor Broadmayne School), Simon Thompson (DCA) and Vanessa Brown (CDW) and an uncounted  
number of the public.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS** None to report.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD**

- a. A resident asked if the reply from the Ombudsman in the matter of Hybris Park could be read. The Clerk reported that this was a large document and a copy would be placed in the library for public information. Cllr Russell informed the meeting that matter pertaining to this application would be monitored particularly the perceived increased traffic on the B3390.
- b. The Council was questioned as to its objections to the planning application for Heathfield, 6 Warmwell Road. The Clerk confirmed that the objections raised were that the development was outside the boundary of the current and proposed WDDC Structure.
- c. A member of the public read a three page document was questioning the Council on a number of issues including the sports field major works, the disposal of the Clerk's computer, and the Hybris Recycling Centre. Other matter raised and not answered at the meeting cannot be answered as the document presenting these matters did not have an address or signature.

**REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER** PC Withers reported that generally there have been no incidences worthy of report.

**REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

**Cllr Crowhurst's** report is attached at Annex A to the main and library copy of these minutes.

**Cllr Seall's** report is attached at Annex B to the main and library copy of these minutes.

**Cllr Smy** reported that West Dorset District Council had agreed to use the interest from monies invested to reduce the council tax payable, that there will be no service cuts but savings still need to be made. Further details are available on the WDDC web site. Cllr Smy also reported that the open meeting to form the steering group for the Parish Plan initiative will take place on February 26<sup>th</sup> and asked that the Parish Council to send two representatives. It was noted that the date for this meeting clashed with the Parish Council meeting.

**REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS** Alan Thacker, Governor of Broadmayne School reported that the school is progressing well and the Christmas production was well received. He reported that a job evaluation had taken place producing a positive outcome. The School continues in its efforts to balance the budget. He also reported that an 8% cut in birth rate was beginning to effect rural schools.

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 were no matters arising.

The Chairman requested that his report, not entered on the agenda be allowed as Item 4a

AGREED

**ITEM 4a CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** The Chairman that he attended a meeting with the South West Area Manager of Record Playgrounds to discuss the provision of an MUGA and also a meeting with Reverend Perryman at which he was informed that the building of a church on land formerly allocated for this on Warmwell Road, will not now take place and the church will be built attached to the new school. Finally Cllr Russell expressed his dismay at the Echo report concerning the

sports field stating that the Parish Council must generate income from the field and the works were undertaken at the express request of the football teams. The sports field, when ready, will be a quality standard and it is hoped it will not only be of benefit to the Community but will be sustained by rent paying teams.

**ITEM 5 CORRESPONDENCE** None to report.

**ITEM 6 UPDATE/WAY AHEAD PARISH PLANS** It was agreed that this matter be deferred to the Amenities Committee for discussion. Cllr Chubb asked that a request be made to the organisers of the first public meeting to change the date of the meeting to allow Councillors to attend as the meeting was agreed with consultation with the Parish Council and clashes with the Parish Council meeting.

AGREED/ACTION: CLERK

**ITEM 7 TO AGREE TO SUPPORT DORSET VILLAGE HALL ASSOCIATION** It was agreed that the petition be forwarded to the library and the MP, Jim Knight, be approached and ask to support.

AGREED/ACTION CLERK

**ITEM 8 CONSIDER ATTENDANCE AT RECORD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT SEMINAR – PROGRAMME ATTACHED.** CLLR BRYANT AND CLLR PEACOCKE AGREED TO ATTEND.

**ITEM 9 REPORT WARMWELL QUARRY LIAISON GROUP MEETING – CLLR STENNING** Cllr Stenning reported the meeting with the Warmwell Quarry Liaison Group. A written report will be attached to the main and library copy of these minutes.

**ITEM 10 CONSIDER PROPOSED CHANGES TO VARIATION TO CONDITION 2 OF 1/E/2003 OF THE HYBRIS RECYCLING CENTRE APPLICATION** Cllr Chubb expressed concerns about the changes which involved changing the size of the doors and the changes to the base of the unit. The Parish Council's comments were forward at below:

- a. Roller Doors – the Council has concerns that the reduction of size in these doors will not enable loading/unloading to be done inside the building as stipulated on the original application. Assurance is requested on this.
- b. 1.3m concrete 'wall' above the slab and below the start of the steel cladding – The Council is concerned that this change will adversely affect the noise levels emanating from the building.

**ITEM 11 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 312-313 The Minutes of the Amenities Committee (January 6<sup>th</sup> 2004) were presented by Cllr Stenning and duly accepted.
- b. PLANNING – Pages 193-194 The Minutes of the Planning Committee (January 6<sup>th</sup> 2004) were presented by Cllr Chubb and duly accepted.
- c. FINANCE - Page 119 The Minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee (January 6<sup>th</sup> 2004) were presented by Cllr Bryant and duly accepted.

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

	Income £	Expenditure £
6 th Dec 03	Salary Clerk	561.94
	Inland Revenue (PAYE)	116.11
	Account Fee	5.00
	Rates	69.00
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 04	Salary Clerk	561.94
	Inland Revenue	116.11
	Viking Direct	48.41
	Express Glass Repair Bus Shelter	112.58
	Westcountry Publications	80.72
	British Gas (Pavilion)	34.80
	R Caulkett (Memorial Park)	125.72
	SLCC Training Pack	85.00
	Southern Electric (Pavilion)	8.04
	Century 21 (Photocopier)	105.75
	Account Fee	5.00

	Rates		69.00
	Petty Cash		95.47
	Cllrs Expenses		56.40
	Interest	0.90	
	Litter Collecting		90.00
22nd Jan 04	Interest	0.03	
29 <sup>th</sup> Jan 04	Information Commissioner		35.00
	Cleaner Pavilion		54.17
	To Deposit Account		900.00
	Litter Collection		90.00
	Express Glass Notice Board		58.35
	2 x DAPTC Training events		24.00

AGREED

**ITEM 12 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS**

(a) Proposed Nursery/After School Club – Youth Centre Cllr Dullaway, Parish Council representative on the Youth Club Management Committee spoke regarding the agreed use of the Youth Club to accommodate the Nursery/After School Club and the Council’s concerns that the Youth Club, a community facility, is being used for a commercial venture. Cllr Dullaway report that she had been informed that the final decision is with the Youth Service and rents received will be given back to the Youth Club to employ paid helpers. Concerns were raised about all parents being able afford the prices of sending their child to the nursery. It was felt that grants could be made available.

The meeting was suspended to allow Cllr Crowhurst to comment:

Cllr Crowhurst confirmed that the venture will go ahead, the Youth Centre is a community facility: the nursery school/after school club with be monitored to ensure it does not interfere with youth club needs. Cllr Crowhurst stated the venture will be beneficial to Crossways and ask for the Council’s agreement on this. Cllr Chubb questioned the 10 hours use during the school holidays, a time when the youth club should be available as a youth club. Cllr Crowhurst stated that this should not happen as the initial lease is for a three month period only and should not over run with school holidays. Cllr Russell reiterated the need for monitoring.

End of Suspension

(b) Further to matters raised in public participation Cllr Russell confirmed that Cllr Bryant was legally entitled to represent Crossways and reaffirmed Cllr Bryant’s work in the financial matters of the Council as Chairman of Finance and Administration and confirmed that Cllr Brewer made the necessary declarations of interest in the matter of the nursery/after school club and did not vote on these matters.

(c) Cllr Peacocke, Parish Council representative on the Dorchester and District Crime Prevention Panel, gave his report of the meeting. Written report attached to the library and main copy of these minutes.

**ITEM 13 CONFIRMATION OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING (THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2004) Noted**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.05

Signed ..... (Chairman) ..... 2004

*After the meeting the Council considered tenders received for work to the play areas. The Contract was awarded to Dijon Services*