

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL'S FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 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, Cllr J Manuel, and Cllr L Crowe.

Also Present: District Councillor Cllr Seall and Mr A Thacker (Governor Broadmayne School)

PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS There were no public information announcements.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD (NOT EXCEEDING 30 MINUTES) Concern was raised by a resident regarding children/teenagers congregating outside the Post Office in Mount Skippet Way and the lack of facilities for these children. Cllr Chubb asked what the complainant wished to see. It was put to the Council that there is a shortage of transport for the children. The Chairman replied that an article was placed in the Bridge and placed on notice boards offering transport to evening activities in Dorchester in partnership with DCA and other villages. The Parish Council has only one response despite repeated appeals and had to withdraw from this transport initiative through lack of interest. It was agreed that there is a general apathy and the Youth Club despite advertising and offering many activities is underused. There is also a shortage of volunteers to run the Youth Club and more parental help is needed. Further concern was raised regarding 'boy racers' on the Warmwell Road, the resident was advised to ring 999 as advised by the Parish Council in the Bridge. Cllr Russell agreed to speak to the Police.

REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER PC Withers was not available.

REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS Apologies were received from Cllr Crowhurst and Cllr Smy. Cllr Seall's report is attached at Annex A to these minutes

REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS Mr Thacker informed the meeting that Broadmayne School continues to thrive and they held a well attended firework celebration on November 4th and reported that the school's Christmas play would take place, in Crossways, on December 15th at 6pm.

THE MEETING

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllrs Brewer, Connor and Harriss.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Stenning declared a personal prejudicial interest in Item 8 declaring that she lives in Oaklands Park, abutting the area known as the 'hippy field'.

ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (OCTOBER 28th 2004) The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

ITEM 4 MATTERS ARISING There were no matters arising.

ITEM 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- a. Meeting with Jon Munslow DCC Highways The Chairman reported that he had met with Jon Munslow to discuss the state of the roads and the work of the Parish Maintenance Units. During this meeting Mr Munslow agreed to note and add to the programme Mount Skippet Way and other areas requiring work were noted. Cllr Russell also pointed out that the view

from the junction of Mount Skippet Way and the Link Road is obscured by trees to the right and suggested that Highway is approached to trim these trees.

ACTION: CLERK

b. Sports Field Cllr Russell reported that he and Cllr Peacocke had measured the sports field and he had drawn a plan which will be considered by the MUGA Working Party.

ITEM 6 CORRESPONDENCE The Clerk reported the difficulty in reporting the large amount of outgoing correspondence within the context of the meeting. The Clerk requested that she produce the postage spreadsheet which listed all outgoing correspondence for the previous month which would then allow Councillors to note and request a copy or further details as required. It was proposed by Cllr Stenning, seconded by Cllr Dullaway that this system be used. Copies are available on request.

ITEM 7 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT BY RACHELLE SMITH DCA (ATTACHED TO MAIN AND LIBRARY COPY OF THESE MINUTES) Cllr Dullaway stated that this report was only telling the Council what they already know or have previously addressed experiencing little or no support as noted by the transport initiative. Holiday activities were organised previously by Mr Kendrick with some, particularly the trips to a skate park, poorly supported. Cllr Dullaway informed the Council that the Youth Club has been publishing its events in the Bridge Magazine and would be getting more funding which would be used to increase its profile and hopefully become more proactive. It was felt that the bullying problem mostly occurred outside the Youth Club and that there was a small disruptive and bullying element among youths outside. The report noted a need for a tennis court and Saturday afternoon football, teenage shelters and football nets on the sports field. The Council noted that the MUGA, incorporating tennis, is in the planning stage and Youth football had folded in the Village due to lack of parental support, (it is noted that football is played on a Saturday at the Youth Club and is well attended) teenage shelters are also on the agenda and football nets have been installed as an extra item on the sports field. Rachelle's report also mentioned street lights this is a positive point and is being addressed as a part of the traffic calming in Dick o' th' Banks. Cllr Dullaway reminded those present that an article had been put in the Bridge, at the request of the Head Teacher Owermoigne School asking residents what extra/evening activities they would like to be incorporated into the facilities at the new school and that this had produced no responses at all.

ITEM 8 TO CONSIDER MATTERS RAISED REGARDING PROPOSED LEGISLATION REGARDING TRAVELLERS The Council agreed wholeheartedly with the matter raised, particularly that of the vulnerability of the land known as the hippy field. It was proposed by Cllr Manuel and seconded by Cllr Bryant that the Clerk requests a search at the Land Registry to find the name of the owners of this field.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 9 CONSIDER CONCERNS RAISED BY ANN FRANCIS REGARDING THE PROPOSED USE OF THE SPORTS FIELD FOR CRICKET The Council considered the concerns raised and the e mail sent by Mr J Clifford regarding Cricket boundaries pertaining to the sports field. Cllr Bryant questioned the boundary considering the proposed MUGA. It was agreed that the Parish Council apply for funding from the landfill tax and to pay the 10% third party funding. The Clerk was instructed to obtain three quotes for a cricket square and apply for funding.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 10 CONSIDER SECOND SITE FOR TEENAGE SHELTERS Cllr Dullaway reported that a proposal only at this stage had been made to site a shelter at the back of the Youth Club. Concerns were expressed about the proximity of houses to the field, Old Farm Way and Green Lane. Cllr Russell informed the meeting of the covenant on the Memorial Park and that permission would have to be sought

from Maj Gen Bond to site a shelter there. Cllr Bryant proposed the Memorial Park, Cllr Manual seconded this proposal and it was agreed, subject to permissions.

ITEM 11 ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF STANDARDS BOARD GUIDANCE – LOBBY GROUPS, DUAL-HATTED MEMBERS AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT Noted and accepted.

ITEM 12 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 1/E/04/002089 ERECT CONSERVATORY – 11 WARMWELL ROAD The Council had no objections to these plans.

ITEM 13 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEES OCTOBER 11TH 2004 AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:

- a. AMENITIES - Page 329 Minutes of the Amenities Committee dated November 7th 2004 were presented by Cllr Stenning and accepted.
- b. PLANNING - Page 206 Minutes of the Planning Committee dated November 7th 2004 were presented by Cllr Chubb and accepted.
- c. FINANCE - Page 128-129 Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee dated 7th November 2004 were presented by Cllr Bryant and accepted.

ITEM 14 TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR PREVIOUS MONTH AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE TO DATE Income and expenditure for the previous month was noted for approval as follows:

	PAID	RECEIVED
Salary Clerk	£709.69	
Inland Revenue	£167.71	
Cleaner Pavilion	£ 20.00	
Bookings Sports Field and Pavilion		£124.64
Rates Apr – Nov Direct Debit	£568.00	
Bookings Sports Field		£62.32
Internal Auditor (Half Yearly)	£60.00	
Weymouth & Portland Recycling	£17.04	
Fleet Line Markers	£162.63	
Century 21 (Photocopier Rental)	£21.15	
1 st Open Doors	£85.00	
Litter Collector	£97.40	

Approval for the above was proposed by Cllr Russell, seconded by Cllr Chubb and agreed.

Cllr Bryant requested approval for a Sect 137 payment to the Bridge Magazine stating that the Parish Council has historically supported this magazine. Cllr Bryant proposed the payment of £200.00 this was seconded by Cllr Russell and approved.

ITEM 15 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS Non requested

ITEM 16 CONFIRMATION OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING The date of the next meeting was confirmed as January 27th 2005.

Signed (Chairman) 2005