

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 29TH MARCH 2007 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Robert Russell, Cllr Andrew Brewer, Cllr John Manuel, Cllr Elaine Stenning, Cllr Terrie Connor, Cllr Caroline Round and Councillor Richard Peacock

Also Present: District Councillor Teresa Seall and Mr Ian Madgwick Highways Engineer DCC

Prior to the meeting Mr Ian Madgwick, Highways Engineer DCC attended to report on the findings of the traffic survey undertaken on Dick o' th' Banks Road. Mr Madgwick confirmed that he had received and noted all correspondence regarding the traffic calming in Dick o' th' Banks Road and looked at the comments with advice from the Police, the School and Highway Safety. Mr Madgwick acknowledged it was difficult to satisfy all demands and promised to continue to monitor the situation and review the survey results again in July. It is hoped the pre and after school parking problem may be resolved when proper vehicular access to the school is available; meanwhile measures are continually being undertaken to encourage walking to school programmes with the school authorities. Cllr Brewer asked Mr Madgwick if traffic calming monies could be used to purchase a SID (Speed Indicator Device) but was informed that this could not be done as the SID was mobile. Mr Madgwick confirmed, when questioned, that a 20mph speed limit could only be introduced if street lighting was put in place along Dick o' th Banks and reminded those present that the residents of Dick o' th' Banks historically have opposed street lighting. Councillors again asked about lower speed limits on the B3390 through the Village. Cllr Peacocke questioned why other villages seem to have lower speed limits and Council feels that its speed limit issues are being ignored. Mr Madgwick stated that the average speed along Dick o' th' Banks was 35mph. Mr Madgwick offered to investigate funding available for a SID. Cllr Brewer thanked Mr Madgwick again for coming to Crossways to discuss what is a contentious issue. Mr Madgwick assured the meeting that he feels DCC have done their best but will continue to monitor the traffic calming. Cllr Connor considered the zig zag markings needed to be extended. Mr Madgwick said this is being considered.

PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS There were no public announcements.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD None requested.

REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER The Community Policeman was not available.

REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS Cllr Smy and Cllr Crowhurst not attending. Cllr Seall's report is attached at Annex A to the main and library copy of these minutes.

REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS School Governors not attending.

THE MEETING

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr Chubb.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None declared.

ITEM 3 DECLARATIONS OF PREDETERMINATION None declared.

ITEM 4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 22ND FEBRUARY 2007 The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

ITEM 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Cllr Brewer gave the Chairman's report stating that a walk around the Village will be taking place with himself, Cllr Stenning, Inspector Fry and Ms Hallett (Crossways Community Worker) attending. This meeting/walk around was offered by Cllr Stenning to advise Ms Hallett of the lack of land available to the Council to site a skate park. Cllr Brewer reported that an unsafe tree had been removed from the Memorial Park. Cllr Brewer ended his report by stating that the campaign to keep the Library open continues and Crossways is hosting the second meeting of the group of 13 Library campaigners in the Village Hall on the coming Saturday at 2pm.

ITEM 6 MATTERS ARISING There were no matters arising.

ITEM 7 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 1/E/07/000447 46 DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD – DEMOLISH BUNGALOW AND ERECT 2 CHALET BUNGALOWS (APPLICATION PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED FEB 07) Cllr Round noted that one of the balconies has been removed but the other still overlooks surrounding properties. The Council still felt that issues still remained; access, parking and overdevelopment. It was proposed by Cllr Brewer and seconded by Cllr Peacocke that the Council recommend refusal.

AGREED

ITEM 8 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 1/E/07/000123 WOODSFORD FIELDS ERECT TWO PAIRS SEMI DETACHED DWELLINGS IN LIEU OF TWO DETACHED DWELLINGS The Council noted that this was the second application of this type and recommended refusal stating the original application was for 140 houses with planning gains offered for that amount of houses therefore bringing Section 106 implications. The Council voted for refusal. Proposed Cllr Connor, seconded Cllr Brewer. Cllr Peacocke voted against. The recommendation was carried 5 for, 1 against.

AGREED

ITEM 9 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEES 5TH MARCH 2007 AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

- a. AMENITIES – Page 368-369 The Minutes of the Amenities meeting were presented by Cllr Stenning and duly accepted.
- b. PLANNING – Page 234-235 The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting were presented by Cllr Brewer and duly accepted.
- c. FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - Page 154 The Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee were presented by Cllr Brewer and duly accepted.

ITEM 10 TO NOTE AND APPROVE INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTHS 22ND FEBRUARY – 29TH MARCH 2007 Income and Expenditure for the previous month was presented and agreed.

	Income £	Expenditure £	
Salary Clerk		754.28	
Inland Revenue		230.85	
Clerks Expenses Mileage		144.00	
Clerks Expenses Home as Office		50.00	
Clerks Seminar		25.00	
Fleet Line Markers		84.70	
Wessex Water		161.77	
Petty Cash Top Up		199.43	
Open Spaces Section 106	19,389.96		
Crossways Football Club	135.00		
To High Interest Deposit Acct		19,389.96	(Transfer)
Clerks Gratuity		411.20	
Century 21 Photocopier Hire		105.75	
Blanchards Solicitors		457.25	
Hardy Tree Surgeons		380.00	
Southern Electric		34.25	
Village Hall Rent		32.00	
British Gas		140.31	
Tree & Shrub Maintenance Contract		500.00	
S Manuel Raking Play Areas		50.00	
R Hansford Litter Picking (4 Months)		444.08	

ITEM 11 CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 26TH APRIL Noted

ITEM 12 ANY LATE URGENT BUSINESS Cllr Stenning reported that she had attended the Quarry Liaison Committee hosted by Aggregate Industries and reported that Aggregate Industries were still in talks with DCC regarding the further proposed workings to the rear of Egdon House and the CAEA was now finished administering Land Fill Tax monies and Mr Crowhurst agreed to enquire about other sources of Land Fill Tax money. Cllr Stenning further reported that there is a noticeable increase in lorries and coach movement on the B3390 due to the use of satellite navigation systems directing traffic through Bere Regis, Crossways and Warmwell to Weymouth.

There being no other business the meeting closed.

Signed Chairman 2007