

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2005 AT 7PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Robert Russell (Chairman), Cllr Andrew Brewer (Vice Chairman), Cllr John Manuel, Cllr John Chubb, Cllr Elaine Stenning, Cllr Susan Dullaway, Cllr Richard Peacocke, Cllr Claire Harriss, and Cllr Caroline Round

Also Present: Mrs Susan Bradley and District Councillor Teresa Seall and members of the public.

PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS None to report

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

a. Mrs Gibson, referring to Item 7 on the agenda, informed the Council that Karen Bennett is working with the Village Steering Group. Referring to the 'wish' list of the children Cllr Russell advised caution when leading children to believe that their wishes, the swimming pool being an example, is completely beyond the scope of the Parish Council without making unrealistic increases to the Council Tax. Cllr Russell stressed that he did not wish the Parish Council to be viewed by the children as the organisation that did not deliver. It was further noted by Councillors that the children's 'wish' list did have merit and the Council would be willing to meet with Karen Bennett and the children, with parents, to discuss further.

Further questions asked during public participation dealt with the speed monitoring on the B3390 and the state of the sties, that they had barbed wire intruding on the sty's supports on the bridle path (Item 10). The Clerk was requested to speak to the speed camera monitoring team and Cllr Seall offered to take the matter of the barbed wire to WDDC.

ACTION: CLERK/CLLR SEALL

REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER No Police Officer present.

REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS Apologies were received from the District and County Councillors.

REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS No school governors were present.

THE MEETING

ITEM 1 FILL BY CO-OPTION VACANCY FOLLOWED BY SIGNING OF CODE OF CONDUCT AND DECLARATION OF OFFICE Cllr Russell introduced Susan Bradley to the Council. Following a majority vote the Council agreed to co-opt Susan on to the Parish Council. Following the signing of the Declaration of Office and Declaration to Observe the Code of Conduct Cllr Bradley took her seat and was welcomed to the Council.

ITEM 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE All members present

ITEM 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a. Cllr Stenning declared an prejudicial interest in Item 15 and declared that she would remain in the hall but not vote on this issue. This was agreed.

b. Cllr Brewer declared a prejudicial interest in Item 9 of the agenda in his capacity as Scout Master and his interest in the adjoining land, Brown John's Copse, and declared he would remain in the hall but not vote on this issue. This was agreed.

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 There were no matters arising.

ITEM 6 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

a. Cllr Russell reported incidents that had been reported to the Police by the Council during the previous month, these included underage drinking in the area of the Doctor's surgery, indecent graffiti on the bus shelter and cars damaged. The Council is active in reporting all incidences of unsociable/criminal behaviour and where possible identifying the perpetrators.

b. Traffic Calming, Dick o' th' Banks Road Cllr Russell reported that the Council had met with Ian Madgwick, Dorset County Council's Highway Engineer for an update on the progress of the proposed traffic calming, particularly due to the school nearing completion. Mr Madgwick advised the Council that the plans are near to completion and the Council will hold a public consultation day when they are available.

ITEM 7 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLES OPEN MEETING FROM KAREN BENNETT, PARTICIPATION WORKER DORSET CHILDREN'S FUND (DCF)

Cllr Russell expressed his disappointment that the Council were not invited to this meeting. Points were made regarding the impracticability of some of the children's wish list. It was noted that there is a swimming pool, open to residents, at Warmwell Leisure Centre. It was noted that there were positive points. Cllr Russell noted that the Youth Club is under-used because of the limited age range. Cllr Dullaway and Cllr Connor represent the Parish Council on the Youth Club Management Committee and would take these points forward. Cllr Harriss reminded those present that the opening of the school will bring opportunities for after school activities. It was noted that the Parish Council had on two occasions, at the request of the new school Head Teacher, asked, via the Bridge Magazine, for residents to forward their ideas for what the school could offer in the way of after school clubs and activities, and had received no response. Cllr Dullaway asked that the Council address the positive issues; Cllr Brewer agreeing proposed that the Parish Council note the contents of the report and ask to meet with the children, with parents present, to take this matter forward. Cllr Peacocke seconded this proposal but reiterated Cllr Russell's disappointment that the Parish Council was not invited to the first meeting. Cllr Brewer suggested that one or two members of the Council meet with the children to discuss their achievable goals.

It was proposed by Cllr Brewer, seconded by Cllr Peacocke that the following Councillors offer to meet with the children and this offer will be put to Karen Bennett:

Cllr Brewer, Cllr Dullaway, Cllr Bradley, Cllr Peacocke, Cllr Stenning, and Cllr Harriss

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 8 TO CONSULT ON TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS - 23 DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD AND HYBRIS BUSINESS PARK The Council had no objections to these orders.

ITEM 9 TO CONSIDER LETTER TO DCC PLANNING FROM MR RICHARDS IN THE MATTER OF REDBRIDGE LANDFILL SITE The Parish Council expressed concern regarding the Landfill Site and agreed to write to the controlling powers to ensure that opening times are being adhered to.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 10 CONSIDER APPLICATION BY THE TRAIL RIDERS FELLOWSHIP FOR THE BRIDLE WAY WHICH COMMENCES ON THE ROAD PASSED THE VILLAGE HALL ON TO MOIGNE COMBE TO MEET THE OWERMOIGNE ROAD Cllr Russell proposed, seconded by Cllr Brewer that the Council object to this application on the grounds that this bridle way is unsuitable for vehicular traffic.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 11 CONSIDER DCC 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT ORDER 200 – WEST LINK ROAD CROSSWAYS Cllr Russell reminded those present that the Council had campaigned for a long time to have this limit imposed. The Council gratefully accepted its implementation.

ITEM 12 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT BY RACHELLE SMITH DCA Noted

ITEM 13 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 1/E/05/001619 42A MORETON ROAD – ERECT TWO STOREY EXTENSION The Council had no objections to this application.

ITEM 14 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 1/E/05/001610 3 REDBRIDGE LANE – ERECT TWO STOREY EXTENSION The Council had no objections to this plan.

ITEM 15 TO CONSIDER PLACEMENT OF A MOBILE RADIO BASE STATION ON LAND AT AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES WARMWELL QUARRY (COVERING LETTER AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SAFETY INFORMATION ENCLOSED) MAPS (A3) Proposed Cllr Brewer, seconded Cllr Chubb that the Council object to this application on the following grounds

- a. Mast at 25 metres is too obtrusive being 15 metres above the surrounding trees.
- b. Minimal effort has been put into finding an alternative site. Two sites discounted because landowners did not answer applicant.
- c. The other three sites quoted as in the area use 15 metre or less masts yet provide equal or better signal coverage according to 02 signal strength plots. This data is from 02 documentation suggesting that the application site is not the best.
- d. This site will not improve coverage beyond a 2km radius of the mast according to signal strength plot provided, and is thus of no use to the residents of the surrounding villages.

AGREED

ITEM 16 TO CONSIDER QUOTES/REQUIREMENTS FLOODLIGHTS FOR MULTI USE GAMES AREA This item was moved to the end of the meeting and denoted as Commercial in Confidence.

ITEM 17 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEES 5th SEPTEMBER 2005 AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:

- a. AMENITIES – Page 343-344 The Minutes of the Amenities Committee dated 5th September 2005 were presented by Cllr Stenning and duly accepted.
- b. PLANNING – Page 215-216 The Minutes of the Planning Committee dated 5th September 2005 were presented by Cllr Chubb and duly accepted.
- c. FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - Page 137 The Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee dated 5th September 2005 were accepted as a true record and duly accepted.

ITEM 18 TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE Income and Expenditure for the previous months (July 28th – September 29th) were noted and approved.

	Expenditure £	Income £
Rates Sports Pavilion	61.00	
Interest Current Account		0.18
Top Up Petty Cash Various	189.82	
Loc Out Annual Service	123.38	
The Dorset Locksmith Keys	30.00	
Net Benefit Web Site	292.58	
Wessex Water	40.49	
Grass Cutting	522.00	
Dorset County Council (CRB)	46.00	
Kingston Mauward (Trg)	155.00	
Salary Clerk	714.67	
Inland Revenue (PAYE)	174.31	
Tree & Maintenance Contract	500.00	
Litter Collector	97.00	
SLCC Annual Conference	295.00	
Rates Sports Pavilion	61.00	
Planning Fee MUGA	202.50	
DCC Grass Cutting Agency		1089.83
Top Up Petty Cash Various	183.71	
Express Glass Notice Board Damage	103.25	
Dijon Services Play Areas	78.60	
Southern Electric	47.05	
Grass Cutting	772.00	
Litter Collector	121.25*	

* Includes cost of removing obscene graffiti, bus shelter.

Proposed Cllr Stenning, seconded Cllr Dullaway

AGREED

ITEM 19 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS

- a. Methodist Chapel Cllr Brewer informed the meeting of the closure of the Methodist Chapel due to falling numbers. He advised that he had been informed by WDDC that the Chapel was not a listed building and not in a conservation area. Cllr Brewer suggested to the Council that application is made to have this building listed. There was general agreement to this suggestion.
- b. Scouts Cllr Brewer informed the meeting that there has been a significant rise in young people joining the Scout movement. This was noted as encouraging.
- c. Cllr Russell suggested that the Parish Council host an annual fete for the benefit of the Village. It was agreed to put this matter on the next amenities committee agenda. The Clerk was asked to enquire about the cost of insurance to cover inclement weather.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 20 CONFIRMATION OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING (THURSDAY 27th OCTOBER)

Agreed.

There being no other business the meeting closed.

Signed (Chairman) 2005