

- Apologies for Absence** Ian & Jackie Fisher, Leanne Street, Ailsa Bush, George & Jane Campbell-Johnston, Mary McDermott, Lou Whiting
- Minutes and Actions Arising** Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
Stephen Bush sent the petition signed by the entire village except 2 who were on holiday to Robert Key, the SDC and other organisations. He went to see Robert Key who told him that the surface dualling of the A303 past Stonehenge will never be allowed because of the archaeological sensitivity of the land. The road improvements are on hold and Robert Key has little hope of anything happening in the near future.
- R2 Money Allocation.** Because of the reconstruction of the council we have to spend this £1500.00 before April 2009 or we may lose it. Stephen Bush spoke for Lou Whiting who was given the job of researching whether Ann Clark, who owns land behind Magna House, would consider letting us relocate the playground in the field. Ann would like to see a Business Plan for maintenance of the playground and the whole field. Lou is prepared to make a plan but would like a management committee of about three people to help. Stephen Bush said that this would be long term planning: Nicki Street suggested that we go ahead and at least find out what will be involved. Ken Woodford suggested that we find out if the school house, now owned by the Girl Guides, would like the playground moved there. It was agreed that this is too big a job for the R2 money and we should set our sights lower. Ken Woodford has researched rubber matting – too expensive. Wood chippings or cut up rubber tyres would be cheaper. The area is 900 sq metres and Richard Brasher suggested that Sarah Wright, in charge of R2 money, might not approve as the money must be spent on outdoor recreational facilities. Ken Woodford asked if it could be spent on a mobile cricket net for practice and Nicki Street asked if there would be enough left over for a baby swing which is what Lou suggested at the last meeting. Richard Brasher will consult Sarah Wright about the three options. The tennis court which was mooted at the last meeting is far too expensive. Sarah Humphreys said that there were grants available but not in the time frame. She suggested that she could ask the Guinness family, who own Druids Lodge, whether they might be willing to let us have a little land behind the girl guides building.
- Parish Precept** The Parish Precept is £750.00 per annum. Everyone agreed the amount which must be claimed by January 12th.
- Planning Applications** Applications received since last meeting. Berwick House – tree trimming, The Streets – satellite dish, Pauline Cutchey – moving garage. These planning applications involve much paperwork and Richard Brasher has complained to Ian West.
- Any Other Business** Richard Brasher said that the Notice Board information is updated frequently and asked everyone to look at it regularly.
The footpath to Winterbourne Stoke is marked out by tractor. The kissing gate still works but the metal needs some maintenance. Richard Brasher will speak to Nick Cowan. Ken Woodford asked why we turned down Rod Crossley's proposal to move the footpath to the edge of the field. Nicki Street said that it gets too wet and muddy around the periphery of the White House. Diana Gifford Mead said that we fought hard to keep the footpath and it is a time honoured tradition.
The meeting ended at 07:22 p.m.