

Melchet Park & Plaitford Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held at Plaitford Village Hall on 21st March 2011

Present

K Curtis (Chairman)
N Curtis

JA Bowles
WA Porter

S Bowles
BW Trimmer

09/11 Apologies

No apologies were received.

10/11 The minutes of the January 2011 meeting were agreed and signed.

11/11 Interests

No interests were declared.

12/11 Consultations

Test Valley Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report: it was agreed that the Parish Council should comment that any development on green field sites was in direct conflict with the stated definition of sustainability.

13/11 Finance

- a) It was noted that the Parish Council needed to register for PAYE in the new financial year.
- b) It was agreed that a donation of £5.00 should be added to the CPRE membership cheque to cover the cost of the Landscape Assessment Toolkit.
- c) The Budget Control Report was received.
- d) Cheque number 83 was approved and signed: £287.73 to J Wright (Clerk's salary).

14/11 Planning Applications

- a) Manor Farm, Church Lane (TVBC ref: 11/00463) was considered. It was agreed that the Parish Council fully supported this application and the Clerk was instructed to respond appropriately.
- b) 2 Powells Farm, Salisbury Road (TVBC re: 11/00659) was discussed. This was not an agenda item as the documentation had been not received by the Clerk but Cllr N Curtis (the applicant) brought a copy to the meeting so that those members not on email could see what was being proposed.

15/11 AOB

- a) The muddy area at the end of the footpath over the ford was of concern. The Clerk explained that it was not due to the feeding of the horses but because the owner of the field known as Stoneylands had erected a fence to prevent fly-tipping which effectively blocked off the only other passing-place in this section of Church Lane. The Clerk was asked to explore the practicality of a surfaced passing-place being provided.
- b) The trees along Church Land between Compton's Drive and the ford were of concern: the Clerk was asked to establish who was responsible for them.
- c) Some sat-nav systems are directing cars and HGVs along Compton's Drive. The Clerk was asked to explore the possibility of a sign where the track leaves Church Lane.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

Date of Next Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on the 16th May at 7.00pm
The Parish Council AGM and ordinary meeting will follow the APM.