

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 8th January 1996.
The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm.

Present:- Mr J.O'Brien (Chairman), Mr C.Taylor, Mr P.Bentley, Mr D.Rickard, Mr A.Flowerdew, Mr P.Jeffery, Mr J.Godding, Mr A.King, Mr J.Marsh Mr S.Slade (Clerk), PC R.Jackson (Community Policeman) together with 3 members of the Parish.

Apologies tendered on behalf of Mr R.Symes (County Councillor).

1. MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 2nd November 1995 having been circulated to all members were corrected then approved as a true and correct record and the minutes duly signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES. .

a. Flooding on public highway The matter of flooding on the highway near Rew Manor still being investigated by the W.D.D.C.

b. Pollution of South Winterbourne Stream No firm decisions on this matter yet to hand.

c. Monkey Jump Cafe W.D.D.C. to be asked to provide a reply to a letter regarding the the matter of compliance with the approved Planning Permission for this site.

d. Spreading of Pig Slurry Penn Barn Farm .. W.D.D.C still investigating the problem.

e. Erection of Field Shelter at Grove Hill.... W.D.D.C had agreed that a shelter could be erected on the land subject to the Parish Council agreeing the site with the applicant. The Chairman had marked out a site at the south-east corner of the field with the applicant which was in accordance with the observations of the Parish Council at the November meeting. The building would be landscaped and set into the ground and would be positioned 12 feet from the east and south boundaries.

f. Southern Area Forum The Chairman reported on this forum and commented on the content of the minutes which he felt did not fully cover the points raised at the meeting none-the-less the meeting had been worthwhile. The next meeting of the group would be held at Crossways Village Hall on Thursday 2nd May 1996 at 7.00 pm. A further meeting would be held in the Martinstown Village Hall on Thursday 21st November 1996 also commencing at 7.00 pm.

Arising from the meeting and concerning a planning application to fill redundant quarries at Crossways with waste. Members agreed that a letter of support against the application be sent to Crossways Parish Council as it was considered that the proposal was premature due to no overall County Council Waste Disposal Plan being ready at this time. A meeting is to be held at Broadmayne on 26th January 1996 to consider the implications of the proposal on the Empool water supply. The vice-chairman would hope to attend.

g. Dorchester Town Centre Redevelopment Members voiced no major opinions on this subject but were advised to attend at the Corn Exchange on 13th January 1996 when various groups would be attending to seek views on the proposal. A reply would be sent to the W.D.D.C thanking them for giving opportunity to the Parish Council to comment.

h. Dorset Care Community Plan 1996/97 A reply to be sent to the author of the plan stating that whilst the proposals in the document were excellent without adequate funding they were useless.

i. Letter Box near Village Shop The Post Office Manager had indicated that they would not be replacing this Box with a larger one as their local officers had not reported a problem with the existing box. However members were not satisfied with this reply and asked that a note be included in the Parish Newsletter seeking the observations of parishioners on the problem. If there were a large number of adverse comments then a further letter would be sent to the Post Office Manager.

j. Bulb planting Bulbs had been planted in the area and it was agreed that more would be planted in the autumn.

3. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

- a. A sum of £30.00 approved for payment for Daffodil Bulbs planted in the area.
- b. An account from Mr I. Shaw for the cost of petrol used in machinery for cutting the churchyard was approved in the sum of £12.50
- c. A sum of £2850.28 in the parish account after payment of the current cheques.

4. PLANNING MATTERS.

- a. Renew permission to erect industrial unit at Wentwell WDDC have approved the application for a further term with conditions as before.
- b. Application to use Turnpike House/Turnpike Cottage as two separate units of accommodation a split vote resulted in approval being recommended for the proposal. Attention to be drawn to the problem of poor highway visibility in the area of these properties due to the boundary hedge of the adjoining plot being overgrown.
- c. Form residence over the existing garage at the Manor House question the need for an additional unit and ask that landscaping be included in any approval. The possibility of the Manor House being made a Listed Building also mooted.
- d. Build entrance porch at Greenacres, Rew Lane no objection.
- e. Erect Garage at Clandon Farm No objection.

5. WINTERBOURNE VALLEY SCHOOL.

A verbal report was given on the progress of the school and it was noted that the number of pupils exceeded 80 at the present time. There was a very urgent need for the additional classroom which was not yet available although the ground works had been carried out.

6. THE SOUTH WINTERBOURNE STREAM.

Members were read letters from the NRA and the WDDC concerning the stream and the clerk reported fully on the subject. It was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk attend a meeting when convened with the appropriate authorities in order to state the Parish Council position on the matter of the cleaning of the stream.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

- a. From the Secretary of the Martinstown Open Days thanking the Parish Council for approving a donation towards the administration costs of this event.
- b. From WDDC concerning accidents to children near free standing goal frames. The correspondence noted.
- c. From WDDC regarding the removal of a dangerous ash tree at the vicarage. Noted that a replacement tree had to be planted.
- d. From the Winterbourne Valley School seeking a grant towards the Centenary Celebrations of the School. Resolved that a grant in the sum of £25.00 be paid in the next financial year.

e. An estimate for trees to be planted at Stevens Farm approved in the sum of £15.00 per tree for six trees. A grant to be sought from the WDDC.

f. Mobile Youth Service The Chairman reported that he had had a letter from Diana Evans an area Youth Worker who was involved in this service who had asked to attend a meeting of the Parish Council to explain the aims and objectives of the service. Members agreed that she be invited to a group meeting of the Winterbourne Valley Parish Councils in the near future.

g. Dog Fouling WDDC had asked that the Parish Council become involved in trying to educate dog owners to use poop-scoops in an effort to eliminate the problem of fouling on public open spaces. It was agreed that details be included in the report to the Parish Newsletter.

8. OTHER MATTERS RAISED.

a. Celebration of the Milenium Members to give thought to this subject and the matter to be considered at the next meeting.

b. Condition of the Churchyard The amenity group to discuss the matter with Mr J.Crawford especially with regard to the condition of the boundary walls and sheep grazing.

c. PC R.Jackson reported that petrol had been stolen from cars parked in the area and requested that he be advised as soon as possible of such crime which would hopefully help him apprehend the culprit.

9. NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting would be held in the Reading Room on Monday 4th March 1996 and would commence at 7.30 pm.

10. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting was closed by gavel at 9.35 pm.

.....Chairman.

Date