

**NOTES FOR BERWICK ST JAMES PARISH MEETING NO. 21, AGM, TO  
BE HELD ON 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2006.**

1. Apologies.

Tony and Mary Gatling  
Stephen Bush

2. Minutes and action arising from 19<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2004.

Are the minutes approved?

- a. Skips and mini re-cycling bins (eg bottle bank). No, I've not been able to find a site. The Boot is reluctant to have recycling bins there. In anycase the Boot pays for v. frequent bottle collections. One Council- funded bottle bank would probable overflow between collections. The question of a site for a skip remains open, but I am off-put by the idea of 'phantom skips' and fly dumping until the twice yearly skip turns up.
- b. Bus shelter A magnificent restoration job was carried out by Stephen Bush. Thanks.
- b. Millenium stone Rebecca did give me the name of the stonemason. I phoned him and he suggested painting the lettering was the best thing to do. I will do this.

3. Election of Officers for 2006-2007.

Nominations please, for

- a. Chairman. IF retiring after 8 years in the job. Nominate Richard Brasher?
- b. Vice-Chairman. Stephen Bush happy to continue.
- c. Clerk. Richard happy to be Chairman if Tina stays on for this year to help him get into the swing of things.

4. Treasurers report.

Tina will speak

Litter bin for playground. I have ordered one, which will be paid from the village funds (left over SWAG grant money).

We also have some money in a Millenium Bank Account. This was reserved for the Millenium Book, which Nicky tells me is still slowly on-going, but she says the limited 'publication' of it may not require much money. I would like to suggest we

pay the Milleium fund money in to the Village account now, to avoid having to change signatories on an account which hasn't been touched for 5 years.

#### 5.Update on A303 and Winterbourne Stoke by-pass.

The enquiry that was held last year recommended the tunnel, but this was turned down for being too expensive. There was a questionnaire sent round asking people to comment yet again on various schemes and alternative routes . The Council Northern Area Committee have now recommended to the Cabinet that..

(read highlighted bits from their minutes, attached).

I guess that nothing will actually happen now until after the next election.

#### 6. Outcome of Public Enquiry concerning modification orders relating to footpath 'Berwick St James 3'.

Describe the path. The reason for the proposed modification orders is that footpaths have to interface with the proposed Winterbourne Stoke bypass, so the planners have to know the correct definitions of the paths involved. The problem with our path is that the path 'on the ground' is not apparently the historically correct one. Also it is recognised now as a bridleway, whereas historically it is a 'carriageway open to all traffic'. The enquiry was to sort all this out and to get the records straight. IT IS NOT PROPOSED TO CHANGE ANYTHING ON THE GROUND, yet..

Now read my summary of the enquiry and the probable way forward.

#### 7.Youth Club.

This continues to be in existence, although now much reduced. The numbers have dropped to about 6 or 7, now of all roughly from the same age group. The bigger children have maybe found more interesting things to do. We now meet on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 7 pm, with no orange squash, to try and contain the exuberance. We play snooker and table tennis. It would be good if we had a table football game, as this would occupy the children waiting for a go at table tennis.

I have a problem is that no regular helpers have been forthcoming, although Rod Crossley sometime comes. I am concerned that running a group with only one supervisor may not be legal, let alone wise. When I am not available the Club does not meet. It is really time for someone else to take this on.

#### 8 Any Other Business.

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#### 6. Skips and mini recycling bins