

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council, which took place on Monday 12 March at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Cllrs Fowler (Chair), Bishop, Cripps, Hallett, Lewis, Rivers, Wakely, Messrs B Walker (District Councillor) & P Maxwell (County Councillor).

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr England.

Cllr Rowswell called briefly before attending a Jubilee Meeting and said an excellent response had been received to the request for donations towards the stone village signs. She also mentioned proposed changes to the planning system and the Councillors decided to invite a representative from the Planning Department to the May Parish Council Meeting to explain the changes.

MINUTES The Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING

Jubilee Weekend Insurance The Insurance Company had confirmed that the street party and firework display would be covered under Parish Council Insurance, but they required more information about the proposed drumming workshop at Cowleaze before deciding whether an additional premium would be required to cover it.

Lengthsman Cllr Cripps confirmed that the grit bin is now in position and the Highway Authority has filled it. The ivy growing on the Fives Wall has been severed.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

CC REPORT

Mr Maxwell reported that the proposed 40 mph speed limit from Hayes End Roundabout to Seavington is being advertised in the Western Gazette with a 21 day period for comments. South Petherton Library has been re-opened.

Mr Maxwell is hoping that Area North will approve a one-off payment in 2012/13 towards the Lengthsman Programme.

DC REPORT

Mr Walker reported that the Draft Core Strategy is still ongoing.

The Councillors felt a visit from a Planning Officer would be helpful to explain this and the proposed infrastructure levy on new properties.

PLANNING

There were no objections to an application to remove an existing door and replace with window at Salisbury House, Church Street.

ACCOUNTS

Cheques were drawn for:

D Clarke – Clerk’s salary	£1,600
PAYE	£400

HIGHWAYS

The County Council advised that Great Lane will be closed on 30 March to enable winter resilience paving work to be carried out.

The Clerk will contact the Highway Authority about sub standard work carried out by Wessex Water in Buttle Lane.

A parishioner had written expressing concern about inconsiderate parking at road junctions and the Clerk will contact the new Police Sergeant and will ask for a PCSO presence at meetings.

FOOTPATHS

Cllr Cripps said the County Council strimmer should be available to loan shortly.

ALLOTMENTS

The letters regarding the banks of earth have been sent to the Allotment Holders.

The Events Committee had asked if the Allotments could be open for viewing during the Jubilee Weekend.

There had been instances of dogs being allowed to run over the Allotments and Cllr Cripps will obtain signs prohibiting this.

The meeting closed at 8.43 pm.

SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Wednesday 11 April at the Village Hall at 7.00 pm, followed by the Parish Council Meeting.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Minutes of last year's meeting
- 3 Chairman's Report
- 4 Reports from Village Organisations
- 5 Matters raised by parishioners

PARISH COUNCIL AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Public Participation
- 3 Approval of minutes of last meeting
- 4 Matters arising from minutes
- 5 Declarations of Interest
- 6 Reports from DC/CC
- 7 Planning – Conversion of barn into dwelling and conversion of single storey building into workshop, store and office for use by landscape gardeners on land opposite Manor Farm.

- Demolition of porch and erection of single storey extension to Ashfield House, Great Lane.
- 8 Correspondence
- 9 Accounts
- 10 Parish Plan
- 11 Lengthsman
- 12 Highways
- 13 Recreation Field
- 14 Footpaths
- 15 Allotments

The Planning Applications can be viewed at the Post Office.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE DUE TO THE BANK HOLIDAY

SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

D Clarke (Mrs) Parish Clerk

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4 April 2012

Dear

I am writing to advise you that the Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Wednesday 11 April at the Village Hall at 7 pm. The various village organisations are being invited to give a brief report on their group's activities over the past year, and I wondered if you would like to speak on behalf of

The Agenda is shown below and I hope you will be able to come.

Yours sincerely

Parish Clerk

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